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CHAPTER 2

- 1. And the third day
- there was a marriage in
- Cana of Galilee:
- and the mother of Jesus was there:
 - 2. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
 - 3. And when they wanted wine.
- the mother of Jesus saith П
- unto him, They have П no wine.
 - 4. Jesus saith unto her. Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is
- not vet come. 5. His mother saith unto the
- servants. Whatsoever he
- saith unto you.
- do it.
- 6. And there were set there
- six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews. containing two or three firkins apiece.
- 7. Jesus saith unto them.
 - Fill the waterpots
 - with water.

And they filled them up to the brim.

- And he saith unto them.
- п Draw out now, and bear
 - unto the governor
- of the feast. And they bare it. 9. When the ruler of the feast had
- tasted the water that was
- made wine, and knew not
 - whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew:)
- the governor of the feast П
- called the bridegroom. П
 - 10. And saith unto him.
 - Every man at the beginning
 - doth set forth good wine; and when men have well drunk, then
 - that which is worse: but thou hast kept the good
 - wine until now.
 - 11. This beginning of
- miracles did Jesus in Cana П
 - of Galilee, and

manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him. 12. After this he went down to

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CHAPTER 1

■ 1 1. In the beginning God created the

heaven and the earth.

2. And the earth was ■ without form, and void:

and darkness was upon the face of the deep. And

the Spirit of God moved upon

the face of the waters.

3. And God said, Let there be light: and there was light.

4. And God saw the light. that it was good; and God

divided the light from the darkness.

5. And God called the light Day, and the

darkness he called

Night. And the evening and the morning were

the first day.

6. And God said. Let there be a firmament in the midst of the waters, and let it divide the waters from the waters.

And God made the firmament, and divided the waters which were under the firmament from the waters which were above the firmament; and it was so.

8. And God

called the firmament ■ Heaven. And the evening and the morning were

the second day.

And God said. Let the waters under the heaven be gathered together unto one place, and let the dry *land* appear:

and it was so.

10. And God called the dry land Earth: and

the gathering together of

the waters called he Seas: and God saw that it was good.

11. And God said, Let the earth bring forth grass, the

herb yielding seed,

and the fruit tree vielding fruit after his kind, whose seed is in itself, upon the earth; and it was so.

12. And the earth brought forth grass,

and herb vielding seed after his kind. and the tree vielding fruit, whose seed was in itself, after his kind: and God saw that it

was good.

13. And the evening and the morning were the third day.

14. And God said. Let there be lights in the

firmament of the heaven

to divide the

day from the

night: and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years: 15. And let them be for lights in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth; and it was so.

16. And God made two great lights; the greater light to rule the day, and

the lesser light to rule

the night: he made

the stars also.

17. And God set them in the firmament of the heaven to give light upon the earth,

18. And to rule over the day and over the night, and to divide the light from the darkness: and God saw that

■ { if was good.

> 19. And the evening and the morning were

the fourth day.

20. And God said, Let the waters bring forth abundantly

the moving

creature that hath life. and fowl that may

fly above the earth in the

open firmament of heaven. 21. And God created great

whales, and every living

creature that moveth, which the waters brought forth abundantly.

after their kind, and every winged fowl after his kind:

and God saw that it was good.

22. And God blessed them, saving. Be fruitful, and

■ multiply, and fill the waters

in the seas, and let fowl multiply in the earth. 23. And the evening and the mornina were the fifth day. 24. And God said. Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind. cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so.

25. And God made

the beast of the earth after his kind.

and cattle after their kind,

and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God

saw that it was good. 26. And God said. Let

us make man in our

image, after our likeness: and let them have

dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the lowl of the air. and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

27. So God created man in his own

image, in the image of God created he him:

male and female created he them.

28. And God blessed them, and God

said unto them.

Be fruitful, and

multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it:

and have dominion

over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and

over every living thing that moveth upon the earth.

29. And God said, Behold. I have given you every herb bearing seed, which is

upon the face of all the earth. **and** every tree, in the which is

the fruit of a tree yielding seed; to you it shall be

for meat.

And to every beast of the earth.

and to every

fowl of the air, and to every thing that creepeth upon the earth, wherein there is life.

I have aiven every green herb

for meat: and it was so.

31 And God saw every thing that he had

made, and, behold, it

Was very

good. And the evening and the morning were

the sixth day.

CHAPTER 2

 Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them.

And on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he

rested on the seventh day from all his work

which he had made.

And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that

in it he had

rested from all

his work

which God created and made. These are the generations of the heavens and of the earth when they were created, in the day that the LORD God made the earth and the heavens.

And every plant of the field before it was in the earth, and every herb of the field before it grew: for the LORD

God had not caused it to rain upon the earth, and there was not a man to till the ground.

6. But there went up

a mist from the earth.

and watered the whole face of the ground.

And the LORD

God formed man of

the dust of the ground. and breathed into his

nostrils the breath of

life; and man became a living soul.

8. And the LORD God

planted a garden eastward ■ I

in Eden; and ■ I ■ I there he put the

man whom he had formed.

9. And out of the ground made the LORD God

to grow every tree that

is pleasant to the sight, and good for

food; the tree of life

also in the midst of the garden, and the tree of knowledge

of good and evil.

10. And a river went out of Eden to water the garden: and from thence it was parted.

and became into four heads. 11. The name of the first is Pison: that

is it which compasseth the whole land of Havilah, where there is gold;

12. And the gold of that land is good: there is bdellium and the onyx stone.

13. And the name of the second river is Gibon: the same is it that compasseth the whole land of Ethiopia.

14. And the name of the third river is Hiddekel: that is it which goeth toward the east of Assyria. And the fourth river is Euphrates.

And the LORD

■ God took the man, and put him

into the garden of Eden

to dress it

and to

keep it.

16. And the LORD God commanded the man,

saying, Of every tree of the garden thou mayest

freely eat:

■ 17. But of the tree of the ■ knowledge of good and

evil. thou shalt not eat of it:

for in the day that ■ I thou eatest thereof

■ thou shalt surely

■ die.

18. **And** the LORD

God said, It is not

■ | good that the

man should

be alone: I will make him an help meet for him.

19. And out of the ground the LORD

God formed every

beast of the field.

and every

fowl of the air:

and brought them unto

Adam to see what he would call them:

and whatsoever Adam

called every living

creature, that was the name thereof.

> 20. And Adam gave names to all cattle, and to the fowl of the air. and to every beast of the field; but for Adam there was not found an help meet for him

21. And the LORD

God caused a deep

sleep to fall upon Adam. and he slept:

and he took one of his ribs, and closed up the flesh instead thereof:

22 And the rib, which the LORD God had taken from man.

made he

a woman, and brought her unto the man.

23. And Adam

said. This is now

bone of my bones, and flesh of my flesh: she shall

be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.

24. Therefore shall a man

leave his father and his

mother, and shall

cleave unto his wife: and

they shall be one flesh. 25. And they were both

naked, the man and his wife,

and were not ashamed.

CHAPTER 3

|■| 1. Now the serpent was

more subtil than any

beast of the field which the

LORD God had made.

And he said unto the woman, Yea. hath God said. Ye shall not eat of every tree of the garden? 2. And the woman

said unto the serpent.

We may eat of the fruit of the trees of the garden:

3. But of the fruit of

the tree which is

in the midst of the garden, God hath

said, Ye shall not eat of it, neither shall ve

touch it, lest ve die.

4. And the serpent said unto the woman.

Ye shall not surely die:

5. For God doth know that in the day ve eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened. and ve shall be as gods,

knowing good and evil.

6. And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was

pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make *one* wise.

she took of the fruit thereof. and did eat, and gave

also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. 7. And the eyes of them

both were opened, and they knew that

they were naked: and they sewed fig leaves together,

and made themselves aprons.

8. And they heard the voice of the LORD

God walking in the garden in the cool of the day; and

Adam and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God amongst the trees of the garden.

■ 9. And the LORD

■ God called unto

Adam, and said unto him.

Where art thou?

10. And he said. Theard thy voice in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself. 11. And he said, Who told

thee that thou wast naked?

Hast thou eaten of the tree. whereof I commanded thee that

thou shouldest not eat? 12 And the man said

The woman whom thou gavest to be with me, she gave me of the tree.

and I did eat

And the LORD

God said unto the woman. What is this that thou hast done? And the woman said. The serpent beguiled me,

and I did eat.

14. And the LORD God said unto the serpent. Because thou hast done this.

thou art cursed above all cattle. and above every beast of the field: upon thy belly shalt thou

go, and dust shalt thou eat all the days of thy life: 15. And I will put enmity

between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed: it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

16. Unto the woman he said. I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception: in sorrow thou shalt

bring forth children: and thy desire shall be to

thy husband, and he shall rule over thee.

And unto Adam he said. Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, of which I commanded thee, saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake: in sorrow shalt thou

eat of it all the days of thy life: 18. **Thorns** also and thistles

shall it bring forth to thee;

and thou shalt eat the herb of the field:

19. In the sweat of thy

face shalt thou eat bread.

till thou return unto the ground: for out of it wast thou taken: for

dust thou art, and unto

dust shalt thou return.

20 And Adam called his wife's name Eve:

because she was the mother of all living.

21. Unto Adam also

and to

his wife did the LORD

God make coats of

skins, and clothed them.

22. And the LORD

God said. Behold, the

man is become as one of us, to know good

and evil: and now.

lest he put forth his hand, and

take also

of the tree of life, and eat, and

live for ever:

23. Therefore the LORD

God sent him forth

from the aarden of Eden.

to till the ground from whence he was taken.

24. So he drove out

the man: and he placed at the east

of the garden of Eden

Cherubims, and a flamina

sword which turned every way,

■ to keep the way of ■ the tree of life.

CHAPTER 4

■ 1.1. And Adam

knew Eve his wife:

and she conceived, and

bare Cain, and said, I have gotten a man from the LORD.

2. And she again bare his brother

Abel. And Abel was a keeper of sheep, but Cain was a tiller of the around.

3. And in process of time

it came to pass, that

Cain brought of the

fruit of the ground

an offering unto the LORD.

4. And Abel, he also

brought of

the firstlings of his

flock and of the fat thereof. And the LORD had

respect unto Abel and to

his offerina:

5. But unto Cain and to his offering

he had not respect.

And Cain was very

wroth, and his countenance fell. 6. And the LORD said unto

Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?

7. If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted?

and if thou doest

not well.

sin lieth at the door. And unto thee shall be his desire. and thou shalt rule over him.

8. And Cain talked with Abel his brother; and it came to pass. when they were in the field, that

Cain rose up against

Abel his brother. and slew him.

And the LORD

said unto Cain.

Where is Abel thy brother?

And he said. I know not:

Am I my brother's keeper? And he said.

What hast thou done?

the voice of thy

brother's blood crieth

unto me from the ground.

11 And now art thou

cursed from the earth, which hath opened her mouth to receive thy brother's blood from thy hand;

12. When thou tillest the ground, it shall not henceforth

vield unto thee

her strenath: a fugitive and a vagabond

shalt thou be in the earth.

13. And Cain said unto the LORD.

My punishment is

greater than I can bear.

14 Rehold thou hast driven me out this day from the face of the earth:

and from thy face shall I

be hid: and I shall

be a fugitive and

a vaaabond in the earth;

and it shall come to pass, that every one that findeth me

shall slay me.

15. And the LORD

said unto him. Therefore

whosoever slayeth Cain.

vengeance shall be taken on him sevenfold. And the

LORD set a mark upon

Cain, lest any finding him should kill him.

16 And Cain went out from the presence of the LORD.

and dwelt in the land of Nod. on the east of Eden.

17. And Cain knew his wife:

and she conceived, and bare Enoch: and he builded a city, and

called the name of

the city, after the name of his son. Enoch.

18. And unto Enoch was

born Irad: and Irad begat Mehujael: and Mehujael begat Methusael: and

Methusael begat Lamech.

19 And Lamech took unto him.

two wives: the name of the one was

Adah, and the name of the other Zillah.

20. And Adah bare

Jabal: he was

the father of such as

dwell in tents, and of such as have cattle.

■ 21. And his brother's name was

Jubal: he

was the father of all such as handle the ■ harp and organ.

■ 22. And Zillah, she also

bare Tubal-cain, an

instructor of every

artificer in brass and

iron: and the sister of Tubal-cain was Naamah.

23 And Lamech said unto

his wives. Adah and Zillah, Hear my voice: ve wives of Lamech. hearken unto my speech: for

I have slain a man to my wounding, and a young man to my hurt.

24. If Cain shall

be avenged sevenfold,

truly Lamech seventy and seventold.

25. And Adam knew his wife again: and she bare

a son, and called his name

Seth: For God, said she,

hath appointed me another seed instead

of Abel, whom Cain slew.

26. And to Seth, to him also there

was born a son; and he called his name

Enos: then began men

to call upon the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. This is the book of the generations of Adam. In the day that God created man, in the likeness. of God made he him:
- Male and female created he them: and blessed them, and called their name Adam, in the day when they were created.
- And Adam lived an hundred and thirty years, and begat a son in his own likeness, after his image; and called his name Seth:
- 4. And the days of Adam after he had begotten Seth were eight hundred years: and he

begat sons and daughters:

5. And all the days that Adam lived were nine

hundred and thirty

vears: and he died.

> And Seth lived an hundred and five years, and begat Enos:

7. And Seth lived after he begat Enos eight hundred and seven years,

- and begat sons and daughters: 8. And all the days of Seth were nine hundred and twelve years: and he died
- 9. And Enos lived ninety years, and

begat Cainan:

- 10. And Enos lived after he begat Cainan eight hundred and fifteen years, and begat sons and daughters:
- 11. And all the days of Enos were nine hundred and five vears: and he died
- 12. And Cainan lived seventy years and

begat Mahalaleel:

- 13. And Cainan lived after he begat Mahalaleel eight hundred and forty years, and begat sons and daughters: 14. And all the days of Cainan were nine hundred and ten years: and he died
- 15. And Mahalaleel lived sixty and five years, and

beaat Jared:

- 16. And Mahalaleel lived after he begat Jared eight hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters:
- 17. And all the days of Mahalaleel were eight hundred ninety and five years: and he died.
- 18. And Jared lived an hundred sixty and two years, and he begat Enoch:
 - 19. And Jared lived after he begat Enoch eight hundred years, and begat sons and daughters:
 - 20. And all the days of Jared were nine hundred sixty and two years: and he died.
- 21. And Enoch lived sixty and five years, and

begat Methuselah:

- 22. And Enoch walked with God after he begat Methuselah three hundred vears, and begat sons and daughters: 23. And all the days of Enoch were three hundred sixty and five years:
- 24. And Enoch walked
- with God: and he was
- not: for God took him.
 - 25. And Methuselah lived an hundred eighty and seven years, and

begat Lamech:

- 26. And Methuselah lived after he begat Lamech seven hundred. eighty and two years, and begat sons and daughters:
- 27. And all the days of Methuselah were nine
- hundred sixty and nine
- years: and he died.
- 28. And Lamech lived an hundred eighty and two years, and beaat a son:
- 29. And he called his name
- Noah, saying, This same
- shall comfort us
- concerning our work and
- toil of our hands, because of the ground which the LORD hath cursed. 30. And Lamech lived after he begat. Noah five hundred ninety and five vears, and begat sons and daughters: 31. And all the days of Lamech were seven hundred seventy and seven vears: and he died.
- 32 And Nogh was five hundred years old: and Noah
- begat Shem. Ham.
- and Japheth.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. And it came to pass. when men began to
- multiply on the face of the earth,
- and daughters were
- born unto them,
- 2. That the sons of God
- saw the daughters
- of men that they were fair: and they took them.
- wives of all which
- they chose.
- 3. And the LORD said, My
- spirit shall not always
- strive with man, for that he also is flesh; yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.
- 4 There were
- giants in the earth in those days;
- and also after that.
- when the sons of God came in unto the daughters
- **■** of men, and they bare

children to them.

the same *became* mighty

men which were of old, men

of renown.

5. And God saw that the wickedness of man was

great in the earth.

and that

every imagination

of the thoughts

of his heart was only

evil continually.

6. And it repented the LORD

that he had made man on the earth, and it orieved him at his heart.

7. And the LORD said. I will destroy man whom I have created from the face of the earth:

■ | both man, and

beast, and

the creeping thing, and the

fowls of the air; for it repenteth me that I have made them.

8. But Noah found grace in the eyes of the LORD.

9. These are the generations of Noah:

Nogh was a

iust man

and perfect in his generations, and Noah

walked with God.

10. And Noah begat three sons, Shem, Ham, and Japheth.

11. The earth also

was corrupt before God,

and the earth was

filled with violence.

12. And God looked upon the earth, and, behold, it was corrupt;

for all flesh had corrupted

his way upon the earth.

13. And God said unto

Noah. The end of all

flesh is come before me: for the earth is filled with violence through them; and, behold,

■ I will destroy them with the earth.

14. Make thee

an ark of gopher wood; rooms shalt thou make in the ark, and shalt pitch it within and without with oitch.

15. And this is the fashion

which thou shalt make it of:

The length of the ark shall be three hundred cubits.

the breadth of it

fifty cubits, and the

height of it

thirty cubits.

16 **Á window shalt thou**

make to the ark, and in a cubit shalt thou finish it above:

and the door of the ark

shalt thou set in

the side thereof:

with lower, second, and third stories shall thou make it.

17. And, behold, I, even I, do

bring a flood

of waters upon the earth,

to destroy all flesh, wherein is the breath of life, from under heaven: 8

and every thing that is in the earth

shall die.

18. But with thee will I establish my covenant;

and thou shalt come

into the ark, thou, and

thy sons, and

thy wife, and thy sons' wives with thee.

19. And of every

living thing of all flesh.

two of every *sort* shalt thou

bring into the ark, to keep them alive with thee:

they shall be male and female.

> 20. Of fowls after their kind, and of cattle after their kind, of every creeping thing of the earth after his kind, two of every sort shall come unto thee, to keep them alive.

And take thou unto thee of all

food that is eaten, and thou shall gather it to thee; and it shall be for food

for thee, and for them.

22. Thus did Noah: according to

all that God commanded

him, so did he.

CHAPTER 7

| ■ | 1. And the LORD

- said unto Noah.
- **Come** thou and all thy house into the ark: for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation.
 - 2. Of every clean beast thou shalt take to thee by sevens, the male and his female: and of beasts that are not clean by two, the male and his female.
 - Of fowls also of the air by sevens. the male and the female; to keep seed alive upon the face of all the earth.
- 4 For vet seven days.
- and I will cause it
- to rain upon the earth
- forty days and ■ i forty nights; and
- every living substance
 - that I have made

- will I destroy from off the face of the earth.
- 5. And Noah did according unto all that the LORD
- commanded him.
 - 6. And Noah was six hundred vears old when the flood of waters was upon the earth.
 - 7. And Noah went in, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him, into the ark, because of the waters of the flood.
 - 8. Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth.
 - 9. There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah.
- 10. And it came to pass after seven days, that
- the waters of the flood
 - were upon the earth. 11. In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month,
- the seventeenth day of the month. I the same day were all the **■ fountains of the** great
- deep broken up, and the windows of heaven
- were opened.
 - 12. And the rain was upon the earth forty days and forty nights.

- In the selfsame day entered Noah, and Shem, and Ham, and Japheth, the sons of Noah, and Noah's wife, and the three wives of his sons with them, into the ark;
- 14. They, and every beast after his kind, and all the cattle after their kind, and every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind, and every fowl after his kind. every bird of every sort.
- 15. And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh. wherein is the breath of life.
- 16. And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.
- 17. And the flood was forty days upon the earth; and the waters increased.
- and bare up
 - the ark, and it
- was lift up above the earth.
 - And the waters prevailed. and were increased greatly upon the earth:
- and the ark
- went upon the face of the waters.
- 19. And the waters prevailed exceedingly
- upon the earth: and all
- the high hills, that were under the whole heaven, were covered. 20. Fifteen cubits upward did the waters prevail;
- and the mountains were covered.
 - 21 And all flesh died that moved upon the earth, both of fowl. and of cattle, and of beast, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth, and every man: 22. All in whose nostrils was the breath of life, of all that was in the dry land, died.
- 23. And every living substance was destroyed which was upon the face of the ground, both man, and cattle, and the creeping things, and the fowl of the

heaven; and they were destroyed from the earth: and Noah only remained *alive*, and they that were with him in the ark.

- 24. And the waters
- prevailed upon the earth an hundred and fifty days.

CHAPTER 8

- 1 And God remembered
 - Noah, and every living thing, and all the cattle that was with him in the ark: and God
- made a wind to pass over the earth, and the waters assuaged:
 - 2. The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped, and the rain from heaven was restrained;
 - 3. And the waters returned from off the earth continually: and
- after the end of the hundred
 and fifty days the waters
 were abated.
- 4. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month,
- upon the mountains
 of Argrat.
- 5. And the waters decreased continually until
- **the tenth month:** in the tenth month, on the first day of the month,
- were the tops of the mountains seen.
- 6. And it came to pass
- at the end of forty days, that
 Noah opened the window
- of the ark which he had made:
- 7. **And** he
- sent forth
- Q raven, which went forth to and fro, until the waters were dried up from off the earth.
- 8. Also he sent forth
 - a dove from him, to see if the waters were abated from off the face of the ground;
- 9. But the dove found no
- rest for the sole of her foot,
 - and she
 - returned unto him into

the ark, for the waters were on the face of the whole earth: then he put forth his hand, and took her, and pulled her in unto him into the ark.

- 10. And he stayed yet
 other seven days; and
 again he sent forth the
 dove out of the ark:
- 11. And the dove came
 in to him in the evening:
 - and, lo.

- in her mouth was an olive leaf plucked off:
- so Noah knew that the waters were
- abated from off the earth.
- 12. And he stayed yet other seven days; and sent forth the dove; which returned not again unto him any more.
 - 13. **And** it came to pass in the six hundredth and first year, in the first month, the first day of the month,
- the waters were dried up from off the earth: and Noah
 - removed the covering of the ark, and looked, and, behold, the face of the ground was dry.
 - 14. And in the second month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, was the earth dried.
- 15. And God spake
- unto Noah, saying.

 16. Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and
 - thy sons' wives with thee.

 17. Bring forth with thee every living thing that *is* with thee, of all flesh, *both* of lowl, and of cattle, and of every
 - of fowl, and of cattle, and of every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth; that they may breed abundantly in the earth, and be fruitful, and multiply upon the earth.
- 18. And Noah went forth, and his sons, and his wife, and his sons' wives with him:
 - 19. Every beast, every creeping thing, and every fowl, *and* whatsoever creepeth upon the earth, after their kinds, went forth out of the ark.
- 20. **And** Noah
- builded an altar unto the LORD; and took of

every clean beast.

and of every clean

■ fowl, and offered burnt

offerings on the altar.

21. And the LORD smelled a **sweet savour: and** the LORD

said in his heart.

I will not again curse

the ground any more for man's sake: for the imagination of man's heart is evil from his youth;

neither will I again

■ smite any more

every thing

■ living, as I have done.

■ 22. While the earth

remaineth, seedtime

■ | and harvest, and

■ | cold and heat, and

summer and winter, and day and night shall

■ not cease.

CHAPTER 9

- And God blessed Noah and his sons, and
- said unto them. Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth. 2. And
- the fear of you and the dread of you
 - shall be upon every beast of the earth, and upon every fowl of the air, upon
- **=** ' all that moveth upon the
- earth, and upon all the fishes of the sea: into your hand are they delivered.
- 3. Every moving
- thing that liveth
- shall be meat
- for you; even as
- the green herb have I given you all things.
- 4. But flesh with
- the life thereof, which
- is the blood thereof.
- shall ye not eat.
 - 5. And surely your blood of your lives will I require; at the hand of every beast will I require it, and at the hand of man: at the hand of every man's brother will I require the life of man.

- 6. Whoso sheddeth man's
- blood, by man shall
- his blood be shed: for
- in the image of God made he man.
- - And you, be ye fruitful. and multiply; bring forth abundantly in the earth.
- and multiply therein.
- 8. And God spake unto Noah, and to his
- sons with him, saving.
 - 9. And I, behold.
- I establish my covenant
- with you, and with your seed after you;
- 10. And with every living
- creature that is with you, of
- the fowl, of the
- cattle, and of every
 - beast of the earth with you: from all that go out of the ark. to every beast of the earth.
 - 11. And I will establish my covenant with you.
 - neither shall all flesh
- be cut off any more
- by the waters of
- a flood: neither shall there any more be a flood to destroy the earth.
- 12. And God said. This is the token of the covenant

which I make between me and you and every living creature that is with you, for perpetual generations:

- 13. I do set my bow in the cloud, and it shall be for a token of a covenant between me and the earth.
 - 14. And it shall come to pass,
- when I bring a cloud over the earth, that
- the bow shall be seen in the cloud:
 - 15. And I will remember my covenant, which is between me and you and every living creature of all flesh: and the waters shall no more become a flood to destroy all flesh.
- And the bow shall be in the cloud; and I will look upon it, that
- I may remember the
- everlasting covenant

between God and every living creature of all flesh

that is upon the earth.

17. And God said unto Noah, This *is* the token of the covenant, which I have established between me and all flesh that *is* upon the earth.

18. And the sons of Noah, that went forth of the ark.

were Shem, and

Ham, and Japheth:

father of Canaan.

19. These are the three sons of Noah: and

of them was the whole earth overspread.

20. And Noah began to be an husbandman, and he planted a vineyard:

21. And he drank of the wine, and was drunken; and he was uncovered

and he was un within his tent.

22. And Ham, the father of Canaan.

saw the nakedness of his father.

and told his two brethren without.

23. And Shem and Japheth

took a garment, and laid it upon both their shoulders.

and went backward, and

covered the nakedness of their father; and their faces were backward, and they saw not their father's nakedness.

■ 24. And Noah

■ awoke from his wine.

and knew what his younger son had done unto him.

Son nod done unto him

25. **And** he

said, Cursed be Canaan;

a servant of servants shall he be unto his brethren.

■ 26. **And** he said,

■ Blessed be the LORD God

of Shem; and

■ Canaan shall be

■ his servant.

27. God shall enlarge

Japheth, and he shall dwell

in the tents of Shem; and

Canaan shall be his servant.

28. And Noah lived after
 the flood three hundred
 and fifty years.

29. And all the days ofNoah were nine hundred

■ | and fifty years: and he died.

CHAPTER 10

Now these are the generations of the sons of Noah, Shem, Ham, and Japheth: and unto them were sons born

after the flood.

 The sons of Japheth;
 Gomer, and Magog, and Madai, and Javan, and Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

3. And the sons of Gomer; Ashkenaz, and Riphath, and Togarmah.

4. And the sons of Javan; Elishah, and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.

5. By these

 were the isles of the Gentiles divided in their lands; every one after his tongue, after their families, in their nations.

■ 6. And the sons of Ham; Cush, and Mizraim, and

Phut, and Canaan.
7. And the sons of Cush; Seba, and Havilah, and Sabtah, and Raamah, and Sabtechah; and the sons of

Raamah; Sheba, and Dedan.

 8. And Cush begat
 Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth.

9. He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD.

■ 10. And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and

■ Erech, and

Accad, and Calneh,

in the land of Shinar.

11. Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded

Nineveh, and the city

- Rehoboth, and Calah.
- 12 And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same
- is a areat city.
 - 13. And Mizraim begat Ludim. and Anamim, and Lehabim. and Naphtuhim.
 - 14. And Pathrusim, and Casluhim. (out of whom came Philistim.) and Caphtorim.
- 15. And Canaan begat
- **Sidon** his first born.
- and Heth.
- 16. And the Jebusite, and the
- Amorite, and the
- Girgasite,
 - 17. And the
- Hivite, and the
- Arkite, and the
 - Sinite,
 - 18. And the
 - Arvadite, and the
- Zemarite, and the
- Hamathite: and ■ i
- afterward were the families of
- the Canaanites spread abroad.
 - 19. And the border of the Canaanites was from Sidon, as thou comest to Gerar, unto Gaza: as thou goest, unto Sodom, and Gomorrah, and Admah, and Zeboim, even unto Lasha. 20. These are the sons of Ham, after their families, after their tongues, in their countries, and in their nations. 21. **Unto Shem** also the father of
- all the children of Eber, the brother of Japheth the elder, even to him
- were children
- born.
 - 22. The children of Shem;
- Elam, and
- Asshur, and
- Arphaxad, and
- Lud, and Aram
- 23 And the children
- of Aram: Uz. and
- Hul. and
- Gether, and Mash.
- 24. And Arphaxad
- begat Salah; and
- Salah begat Eber.

- 25 And unto Eber were
- born two sons: the name of one was Peleg; for in
- his days was the earth
 - divided: and his brother's name was Joktan
 - 26. And Joktan begat Almodad, and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth.
 - and Jerah. 27. And Hadoram, and Uzal
 - and Diklah.
 - 28. And Obal, and Abimael. and Sheha
 - And Ophir, and Havilah. and Johah: all these were the sons of Joktan.
 - 30. And their dwelling was from Mesha, as thou goest unto Sephar a mount of the east.
 - 31. These are the sons of Shem, after their families, after their tongues, in their lands, after their nations,
 - 32. These are the families of
 - the sons of Noah, after their generations, in their nations: and
- by these were the nations
- **divided** in the earth after the flood.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. And the whole earth was of one language. and of one speech.
- And it came to pass, as they journeyed from the east,
- that they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they
 - dwelt there.
 - 3. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for morter.
- 4. And they said, Go to,
- let us build us
- a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto
- heaven; and let us make us
- a name, lest we be
- scattered abroad upon
- the face of the whole earth. 5. And the LORD came
- down to see the city
 - and the tower, which the
 - children of men builded.

6 And the LORD said. Behold, the people is one. and they have all one language:

and this they begin to do:

and now nothing will

be restrained from them. ■ which they have

imagined to do.

7. Go to

let us go down, and there

confound their language. that they may not understand one another's speech.

8. So the LORD scattered them abroad from thence upon the face of all the earth: and they left off to build the city.

Therefore is the name of it called

Babel: because the LORD

did there confound the language of all the earth:

and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.

10. These are the

generations of Shem: Shem was an hundred years old, and begat Arphaxad two years after the flood:

11. And Shem lived after he begat

Arphaxad five hundred years, and begat sons and daughters.

12. And Arphaxad lived five and thirty years, and begat

Salah:

13. And Arphaxad lived after he begat Salah four hundred and three years. and begat sons and daughters.

14. And Salah lived thirty years, and begat

Eber:

15. And Salah lived after he begat Eber four hundred and three years, and begat sons and daughters. 16. And Eber lived four

and thirty years, and begat

Peleg:

17. And Eber lived after he begat Peleg four hundred and thirty years, and begat sons and daughters.

18. And Peleg lived thirty years, and begat

Reu:

19. And Peleg lived after he begat Reu two hundred and nine years, and begat sons and daughters. 20. And Reu lived two and thirty years, and begat

Serua:

21. And Reu lived after he begat Serug two hundred and seven years. and begat sons and daughters. 22. And Serua lived thirty vears, and begat

Nahor:

23. And Serug lived after he begat Nahor two hundred years, and begat sons and daughters. 24 And Nahor lived nine

and twenty years, and begat Terah:

25. And Nahor lived after he begat Terah an hundred and nineteen years. and begat sons and daughters.

26. And Terah lived seventy years, and

begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran.

27. Now these are the generations of Terah: Terah begat Abram, Nahor, and Haran; and Haran begat Lot.

28 And Haran died before

his father Terah in the land of his nativity.

in Ur of the Chaldees.

29 And Abram and

Nahor took them wives: the name of

Abram's wife was .

Sarai: and the name of

Nahor's wife. Milcah, the daughter of Haran, the father of Milcah, and the father of Iscah.

30 But Sarai was

barren; she had no child.

31 And Terah took

Abram his son.

and Lot the son of Haran

his son's son, and Sarai his daughter in law, his son Abram's wife;

and they went forth with them

from Ur of the Chaldees, to go

into the land of

> Canaan; and they came unto Haran, and dwelt there.

32. And the days of Terah were two hundred and five years: and Terah died in Haran.

CHAPTER 12

 Now the LORD had said unto Abram. Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred. and from thy father's house.

unto a land that

I will shew thee:

2 And I will make of thee a great nation, and I will bless thee, and make thy name great; and thou shalt be a blessing:

And I will bless them. that bless thee, and curse. him that curseth thee; and

in thee shall all families of the earth be blessed.

4. So Abram departed, as the LORD had spoken unto him; and Lot went with him: and Abram was seventy and five years old when he departed out of Haran.

5 And Abram took

Sarai his wife, and

Lot his brother's son.

and all their substance that they had gathered, and the souls that they had gotten in Haran;

and they

went forth to go

into the land of Canaan; and

into the land of

Canaan they came.

6. And Abram passed through the land unto the

place of Sichem.

unto the plain of Moreh. And the Canaanite was then in the land.

7. And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said.

Unto thy seed will I give this

land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD.

who appeared unto him. 8. And he removed from thence

unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched

his tent, having Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east:

and there he

builded an

altar unto the LORD.

and called upon the name of

the LORD.

9. And Abram

iourneved, going on still toward the south.

10. And there was a

famine in the land:

and Abram went down

into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

11. And it came to pass.

when he was come

near to enter into Egypt, that

he said unto Sarai his wife. Behold now.

I know that thou art a

fair woman

to look upon:

12. Therefore it shall come to pass.

when the Egyptians shall

see thee, that

they shall say, This is his wife: and they will kill me.

but they will save thee alive.

13. Say, I pray thee,

. thou art my sister: that it may be well with me for thy sake; and my soul shall live because of thee.

14. And it came to pass, that, when Abram was come into Egypt,

the Egyptians **beheld** the woman

that she was very fair.

15. The princes also of Pharaoh saw her, and commended her. before Pharaoh:

and the woman was taken

into Pharaoh's house. 16. And he entreated Abram

well for her sake: and he had sheep, and oxen, and he asses,

and menservants, and maidservants, and she asses, and camels,

17. And the LORD plaqued **Pharach** and his house

with great plagues

because of Sarai Abram's wife.

18. And Pharaoh called

Abram and said.

What is this that

- thou hast done unto me? why didst thou not tell me that she was thy wife?
- 19. Why saidst thou,
- She is my sister? so ! might have taken her to me to wife:

now therefore behold thy wife.

- - take her, and go thy way. 20 And Pharanh commanded his men concerning him; and they sent him away, and his wife, and all that he had

CHAPTER 13

17

- I 1. And Abram went up out of Egypt, he, and his wife, and all that he had, and Lot with him into the south
- 2. And Abram was very rich in cattle, in silver, and in gold.
- 3. And he went on his journeys from the south even to Beth-el, unto the place where
 - his tent had been at the beginning, between Bethel and Hai: 4. Unto the place of the altar, which
 - he had made there at the first: and there Abram
- called on the name of the LORD.
- 5. And Lot also. which went with Abram. had flocks, and
- herds, and tents,
- 6. And the land was not able to bear them, that they might dwell together: for their substance was great.
- so that they could not dwell together.
- And there was a strife between the herdmen of
- Abram's cattle
- and the herdmen
- of Lot's cattle: and the Canaanite and the Perizzite dwelled then in the land.
- 8. And Abram said unto Lot. Let there be no strife.

pray thee, between me and thee, and between my

- herdmen and thy herdmen:
 - for we be brethren.
- 9 Is not the whole land before thee? separate thyself.
 - pray thee, from me:
- if thou wilt take the
- left hand, then
- I will go to the
- right: or if thou depart to the right hand, then
- I will ao to the
- left.
- 10. And Lot lifted up his eyes, and beheld all the plain
- of Jordan, that it was
- well watered every where. before the LORD destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah
- even as the aarden of the LORD, like the land of
- Egypt, as thou comest unto Zoar.
- Then Lot chose him all. the plain of Jordan; and Lot journeyed east: and they separated
- themselves the one from the other 12. Abram dwelled in the land of Canaan, and Lot
- dwelled in the cities of the plain, and pitched his tent
- toward Sodom. 13 But the men of Sodom
 - were wicked and sinners before the LORD exceedingly.
- 14 And the LORD said unto Abram, after that
- Lot was separated from him. Lift up now thine eyes, and look from the place where thou art
- northward, and southward, and eastward, and westward: 15. For all the land which
- thou seest, to thee will I give it, and to thy seed for ever.
- 16. And I will make thy seed as the dust of the
- earth: so that if a man can number the dust of the earth, then shall thy seed also be numbered.
 - 17. Arise, walk through the land in the length of it and in the breadth of it; for I will give it unto thee.
 - 18 Then Abram removed

- his tent, and came and dwelt in the plain
- of Mamre, which is
- in Hebron, and built there
- an altar unto the LORD.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. And it came to pass
- in the days of Amraphel king of Shinar, Arioch king of Ellasar, Chedorlaomer king of Elam, and Tidal king of nations:
- 2. That these made war with Bera
- king of Sodom, and with
- Birsha king of Gomorrah.
- Shinab kina of Admah. and Shemeber king of
- Zeboiim, and the kina of Bela, which is Zoar.
 - 3. All these were joined together in the vale of Siddim, which is the salt sea.
 - 4. Twelve years they served Chedorlaomer, and in the thirteenth year they rebelled.
 - 5. And in the fourteenth year came Chedorlaomer, and the kings that were with him, and smote the Rephaims in Ashteroth Karnaim, and the Zuzims in Ham, and the Emins in Shaveh Kiriathaim.
 - 6. And the Horites in their mount Seir, unto Elparan, which is by the wilderness.
 - 7. And they returned, and came to Enmishpat, which is Kadesh, and smote all the country of the Amalekites, and also the Amorites, that dwelt in Hazezontamar.
 - 8. And there went out the king of Sodom, and the king of Gomorrah, and the king of Admah, and the king of Zeboiim, and the king of Bela (the same is Zoar;)
- and they joined battle with them in the vale of Siddim:
- With Chedorlager the king of Elam, and with
- Tidal king of nations, and
- Amraphel king of Shinar, and Arioch king of Ellasar;

four kings with five.

- 10. And the vale of
- Siddim was full of
- slimepits; and the kings of Sodom and Gomorrah
 - fled, and fell there; and they that remained fled to the mountain.
- 11. And they took all the goods of Sodom and Gomorrah, and all their
- victuals, and went their way. 12. And they took Lot, Abram's
 - brother's son, who dwelt in Sodom, and his goods, and departed.
- 13. And there came
- one that had
- escaped, and told Abram

the Hebrew: for he dwelt in the plain of Mamre the Amorite, brother of Eshcol, and brother of Aner: and these were confederate with Abram.

- 14 And when Abram heard that his brother was taken captive.
- he armed his trained
- **servants**, born in his own house, three hundred and eighteen. and pursued them unto Dan.
- 15. **And** he
- divided himself
 - against them, he and his servants, by night,
- and smote them, and pursued them unto Hobah, which is on the left hand of Damascus.
- 16. And he brought
- back all the goods, and
- also brought again
- his brother Lot, and
- his goods, and
- the women also, and the people.
 - 17. And the king of Sodom went out to meet him after his return from the slaughter of Chedorlaomer, and of the kings that were with him, at the valley
- of Shaveh, which is the king's dale. 18. And Melchizedek king of Salem brought forth bread and wine: and he was the priest of the most high God.
- 19. And he blessed him, and
- said. Blessed *be* Abram
 - of the most high God,

possessor of heaven and earth:

20 And blessed

be the most high

God, which hath delivered

thine enemies into thy hand. And he aave

him tithes of all.

21. And the king of Sodom

said unto Abram.

Give me the persons, and take the goods to thyself.

22. And Abram said to the king of Sodom. I have lift up mine hand unto the LORD, the most high God, the possessor of heaven and earth, 23 That I will not take from a thread. even to a shoelatchet, and that

I will not take any thing ■ | that is thine, lest thou shouldest

say. I have made Abram rich: 24. Save only that which the young men have eaten, and the portion of the men which went with me. Aner, Eshcol, and Mamre; let

CHAPTER 15

 After these things the word of the LORD came unto Abram in a vision. saying, Fear not, Abram: I am thy shield, and thy exceeding great reward.

them take their portion.

2. And Abram said, LORD God.

what wilt thou give me, seeing I go childless, and the steward of my house is this

Eliezer of Damascus?

3. And Abram said, Behold, to me thou hast given no seed; and, lo, one born in my house is mine heir.

4. And, behold, the word of the LORD came unto him, saving. This shall not be thine heir: but he that shall come forth out of thine own bowels shall be thine heir.

■ 5. And he brought him forth ■ abroad, and said, Look

now toward heaven, and

tell the stars, if thou be able to number them:

and he said unto him.

So shall thy seed be.

And he believed in the LORD: and he counted it to him for righteousness.

And he said unto him,

I am the LORD that brought thee out of Ur of the Chaldees.

to give thee this land to inherit it.

8. And he said, LORD God, whereby shall I know that I shall inherit it?

And he said unto him.

Take me

an heifer of three years old, and a she goat of three years old, and

a ram of three years old, and a turtledove, and a

young pigeon. 10. And he took unto him all

these, and divided

them in the midst, and laid each piece one against another: but the birds

divided he not.

11. And when the fowls came down upon the carcases, Abram drove them away.

> 12. And when the sun was going down,

a deep sleep fell upon Abram: and, lo, an horror 'of

great darkness fell upon him. 13. And he said unto

Abram. Know of a surety that thy seed shall be a

stranger in a

land that is not theirs. and shall serve

them; and they shall afflict them four hundred years;

14. And also that

nation, whom they shall serve. will I judge: and afterward

shall they come out with great substance.

15. And thou shalt go to thy fathers in peace; thou shalt be buried in a good old age.

16. But in the fourth generation they shall come hither again: for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.

- 17. And it came to pass, that, when the sun went down, and it was dark, behold a smoking furnace. and a burning lamp that passed between those pieces.
- 18. In the same day the ■ LORD made a covenant ■ with Abram, saving, Unto thy seed have I given this ■ land, from the river of **Eavot unto** the great river. the river Euphrates:
 - 19. The Kenites, and the Kenizzites. and the Kadmonites. 20. And the Hittites, and the
 - Perizzites, and the Rephaims. 21. And the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Girgashites, and the Jebusites.

CHAPTER 16

- 1 Now Sarai Abram's wife bare him no children: and she
- had an
- handmaid, an Egyptian, ■ whose name was Hagar.
- 2. And Sarai said unto Abram, Behold now,
- the LORD hath restrained me from bearing: I pray thee, go in unto my maid; it may be that I may obtain children
- by her. And Abram hearkened
- to the voice of Sarai. And Sarai Abram's wife
- took Hagar her maid the Egyptian, after Abram had dwelt ten years in the land of Canaan,
- and gave her to her husband
- Abram to be his wife.
- 4. And he went in unto
- Hagar, and she
- conceived: and when she saw that she had conceived.
- her mistress was
- despised in her eyes.
- 5. And Sarai said unto Abram, My wrong be
- upon thee: I have given
- my maid into thy bosom;
- and when she saw that she had conceived, I was despised
 - in her eyes: the LORD

- judge between me and thee.
- 6. But Abram said unto Sarai. Behold.
- thy maid is in thine hand: do to her as it pleaseth
- thee. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her.
- she fled from her face. 7. And the angel of the
- LORD found her by
- a fountain of water
- in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur.
- And he said. Hagar. Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and
- whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee
- from the face of my mistress
- Sarai.
- 9. And the angel of the
- LORD said unto her.
- Return to thy mistress, and submit thyself
- under her hands.
 - 10. And the angel of the LORD said unto her.
- I will multiply thy seed exceedingly, that it shall not be numbered for multitude.
 - 11. And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold,
- thou art with child and
- shalt bear a son, and
 - shalt call his name
 - Ishmael: because the
 - LORD hath heard thy affliction. 12. And he will be a wild
- man; his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him: and he shall dwell in the
- presence of all his brethren. 13 And she called the
- name of the LORD
 - that spake unto her.
- Thou God seest me: for she said. Have I also here looked after him that seeth me?
- 14. Wherefore the well was called Beerlahairoi; behold, it is between Kadesh and Bered.
- 15. And Hagar bare
- Abram a son; and Abram
 - called his son's

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name, which Hagar bare.

Ishmael.

16. And Abram was fourscore and six years old, when Hagar bare Ishmael to Abram.

CHAPTER 17

1. And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD **appeared** to Abram.

and said unto him.

I am the Almiahty God: walk before me, and be thou perfect.

2. And I will make my

covenant between me and thee and will multiply

thee exceedingly.

3 And Abram fell on his face: and God talked

with him, saying, 4. As for me, behold, my covenant is with thee, and thou shalt be a

father of many nations. 5. Neither shall thy name any more be called Abram, but

thy name shall be

Abraham: for a father of many nations have I made thee.

6 And I will make thee exceeding fruitful, and I will make nations of thee.

and kings shall come out of thee.

7. And I will establish my covenant between me and thee and thy seed after thee

in their generations for an everlasting covenant, to be a God unto thee. and to thy seed after thee.

8. And I will give unto thee. and to thy seed after thee, the land wherein thou art a stranger, all the land of Canaan, for an

everlasting possession; and I will be their God.

9. And God said unto Abraham. Thou shalt keep my covenant therefore, thou, and thy seed after thee in their generations.

10. This is my covenant,

which ye shall keep, between me and you and thy seed after thee.

Every man child amona you shall be circumcised. 11. And ve shall circumcise the

flesh of your foreskin; and it shall be a token of

the covenant betwixt me and vou.

12. And he that is eight days old shall be circumcised among you, every man child in your generations, he that is born in the house, or bought with money of any stranger. which is not of thy seed.

13. He that is born in thy house, and he that is bought with thy money, must needs be

circumcised: and my covenant shall be in your flesh for an everlasting covenant. 14 And the uncircumcised

man child whose flesh of his foreskin is not circumcised, that soul**shall be cut off** from his people: he hath broken my covenant.

And God

said unto Abraham.

As for Sarai thy wife. thou shalt not call her name Sarai, but Sarah

shall her name be.

16. And I will bless her, and give thee a son also

of her: yea. I will bless her. and she shall be a mother of nations:

kings of people shall be of her.

17. Then Abraham fell upon his face, and

laughed, and said in his heart, Shall *a child* be born unto

him that is an hundred years old? and shall

Sarah, that is ninety

vears old, bear?

18. And Abraham said unto God. O. that Ishmael might live before thee!

19. And God said.

Sarah thy wife.

> shall bear thee a son indeed: and thou shalt call his

- name Isaac: and I will establish my covenant with him for an everlasting covenant, and with his seed after him.
- 20. And as for Ishmael. I have heard thee: Behold
- I have blessed him, and will make him fruitful, and will multiply him exceedingly:
- | twelve princes shall he ■ | beget, and I will make ■ him a great nation.
- 21. But my covenant will I ■ establish with Isaac, which Sarah shall bear unto thee at this set time in the next year.
 - 22. And he left off talking with him, and God went up from Abraham.
- 23 And Abraham
- took ishmael his son
- and all that were born in his house, and all that were bought with his money.
- every male among the men of Abraham's house:
- and circumcised the flesh of their foreskin

in the self same day.

- as God had said unto him.
 - 24. And Abraham was ninety years old and nine, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.
 - 25. And Ishmael his son was thirteen vears old, when he was circumcised in the flesh of his foreskin.
 - 26. In the selfsame day was Abraham circumcised, and Ishmael his son. 27. And all the men of his house. born in the house, and bought with money of the stranger, were circumcised with him.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. And the LORD appeared
- unto him in the plains of Mamre: and he sat in the tent door
- in the heat of the day:
- 2. And he lift up his eyes and
- looked, and, lo, ■ three men stood by
- him: and when he
- saw them, he ran to
- meet them from the tent door.

- and bowed himself toward the ground.
- 3. And said, My LORD, if now I have found favour in thy sight.
 - pass not away, I pray thee.
- from thy servant:
- 4. Let a little water, I pray you, be fetched, and wash
- vour feet, and rest
 - vourselves under the tree:
- And I will fetch a morsel of bread, and comfort ye your hearts; after that ye shall pass on; for therefore are ve come to your servant.
- And they said, ■ ł
- So do, as thou hast said.
- 6. And Abraham hastened into the tent unto Sarah.
- and said, Make ready quickly three measures of
- fine meal, knead it, and make cakes upon the hearth.
- 7 And Abraham
- ran unto the herd, and
- fetched a calf tender and good. and gave it unto a young man;
- and he
- hasted to dress it.
- 8 And he took butter and milk, and the calf which he had dressed.
- and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree. and they did eat.
- 9. And they said unto him,
- Where is Sarah thy wife? And
- he said. Behold.
 - in the tent.
- 10. And he said. I will certainly return unto thee according to the time of life; and,
- lo. Sarah thy wife
- shall have a son. And Sarah heard if in the tent door, which was behind him.
 - 11. Now Abraham and Sarah were old and well stricken in age: and it ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women.
- 12. Therefore Sarah
 - laughed within herself,
- saying, After I am waxed

old shall I have pleasure. my lord being old also? 13. And the LORD

said unto Abraham.

Wherefore did Sarah

laugh, saying, Shall I of a surely bear a child, which am old? 14. Is any thing too hard

for the LORD? At the time appointed I will return unto thee. according to the time of life, and

Sarah shall have a son. 15 Then Sarah denied.

saying, I laughed not;

for she was afraid. And he said. Nav: but thou didst laugh.

16. And the men

rose up from thence.

and looked toward Sodom: and Abraham went with them to bring

them on the way.

17. And the LORD said. Shall I hide from Abraham that thing which I do: 18. Seeing that Abraham shall surely

become a great and mighty nation. and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

19. For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do iustice and judgment; that the

LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him. 20. And the LORD said.

Because the cry of Sodom and Gomorrah is great, and because

their sin is very grievous:

21. I will go down now, and see whether they have done altogether according to the cry of it, which is come unto me; and if not, I will know.

22. And the men turned their faces from thence, and

went toward Sodom: but Abraham stood vet before the LORD.

23. And Abraham drew near, and said, Wilt thou also

destroy the righteous

with the wicked?

24. Peradventure there be fifty righteous within the

city: wilt thou also destroy and not

spare the place for the fifty righteous

that are therein?

That be far from thee to do after. this manner, to slav the righteous with the wicked: and that the righteous should be as the wicked, that be far from thee:

Shall not the Judge of all the earth do right?

26. And the LORD said.

If I find in Sodom fifty righteous

within the city, then

I will spare all the place for their sakes.

27. And Abraham answered and said, Behold now, I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD. which am but dust and ashes:

28. Peradventure there shall lack five of the

fiffy righteous: wilt thou destroy all the city for lack of five?

And he said. If I find there forty and five, I

will not destroy it. 29. And he spake

unto him yet again, and said,

Peradventure there

shall be forty found there. And he said, I will not do it for forty's sake.

And he said unto him. Oh.

let not the LORD be angry, and I will speak:

Peradventure there

shall thirty be found there. And he said, I will not

do if, if I find thirty there.

31. And he said, Behold now. I have taken upon me to speak unto the LORD:

Peradventure there

shall be twenty found there.

And he said, I will not destroy if for twenty's sake.

32. And he said. Oh let

not the LORD be angry, and I will speak yet but this once:

Peradventure ten shall be found there.

And he said, I will not

destroy it for ten's sake.

33. And the LORD went his

WGY, as soon as he had left communing with Abraham: and Abraham returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 19

■ 1. And there came two

angels to Sodom at even;

gate of Sodom:

and Lot

seeing *them* rose up to

meet them; and he bowed himself with his

face toward the ground;

■ 2. **And** he

■ said, Behold now,

my lords, turn in, I pray you,

into your servant's house, and tarry all night, and wash

your feet, and ye shall rise up early, and go on your ways.

And they said, Nay; but we will abide in the

street all night.

3. And he pressed uponthem greatly; and they

turned in unto him, and

entered into his house;

feast, and did bake unleavened bread, and they did eat.

4. **But** before they lay down, the men of the city, *even*

the men of Sodom,
 compassed the house
 round, both old and young, all

the people from every quarter:

5. And they called unto Lot, and said unto him,

Where are the men which came in to thee this night?

bring them out unto us, that we may know them.

 6. And Lot went out at the door unto them, and shut the door after him, 7. And said, I pray you, brethren, do not so wickedly.

8. Behold now.

I have two daughters which have not known man; let me, I pray you, bring them out unto you, and

■ do ye

to them as *is* good in your

eyes: only unto these men do nothing; for therefore came they under the shadow of my roof.

■ 9. And they said, Stand

back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge:

now will we deal worse

with thee, than with

them. And they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and

came near to

break the door.

■ 10. **But the men** put forth their hand, and

■ pulled Lot into the

house to them, and shut to

■ the door.

■ 11. And they smote the men

with blindness, both small and great: so that they wearied themselves to find the door.

■ 12. And the men said unto Lot,

Hast thou here any besides? son in law, and thy

sons, and thy daughters, and whatsoever thou hast in the city,

bring them out of this place:

■ 13. For we will destroy
■ this place, because the

this place, because the cry of them is waxen great before the face of the LORD; and

the LORD hath sent us to destroy it.

■ 14. And Lot went out, and

spake unto his sons inlaw, which married his daughters.

and said, Up,

■ get you

out of this place; for

the LORD will destroy

this city. But he seemed

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as one that mocked unto his sons in law. 15. And when the morning arose, then the angels hastened Lot, saving, Arise, take thy wife, and thy two daughters, which are here: lest thou be consumed

in the iniquity of the city. 16. And while he lingered, the men laid hold upon his hand, and upon the hand of his wife, and upon the hand of his two daughters;

the LORD being

merciful unto him: and they brought him forth, and set him without the city.

17. **And** it came to pass, when they had brought them forth abroad, that he said. Escape for thy life: look not behind thee.

neither stay thou in all the plain; escape to the mountain,

lest thou be consumed.

18. And Lot said unto them. Oh. not so, my LORD:

> 19. Behold now, thy servant hath found grace in thy sight, and thou hast magnified

thy mercy, which thou hast shewed unto me

in saving my life; and

■ I cannot escape to the mountain. lest some

evil take me, and I die:

20. Behold now, this

city is near to flee unto.

and it is a little one: Oh. let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live.

21. And he said unto him. See. I have accepted thee

concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this

city, for the which thou hast spoken. 22. Haste thee, escape

thither; for I cannot do anything till thou be come thither.

Therefore the name of

the city was called Zoar.

23. The sun was risen upon the earth when Lot entered into

Zoar.

24. Then the LORD rained upon Sodom and upon Gomorrah brimstone and

fire from the LORD out of heaven:

25 And he overthrew those cities, and all the plain, and all the inhabitants of the cities, and that which arew upon the around.

26. But his wife looked back from behind him

and she

became a pillar of salt. 27. And Abraham aat up early in the morning to the place where he stood before the LORD: 28 **And** he

looked toward Sodom and Gomorrah, and toward all the land of the plain, and beheld,

and. lo. the smoke of the country went up as the smoke of a furnace.

> 29. And it came to pass, when God destroyed the cities of the plain. that God remembered Abraham. and sent Lot out of the midst of the overthrow, when he overthrew the cities in the which Lot dwelt.

30. And Lot went up out of **Zoar,** and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him: for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he

dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters.

31. And the firstborn said unto the younger,

Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth.

to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth:

32. Come, let us make our father drink wine. and we will lie with him.

that we may preserve

seed of our father.

33. And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn

went in.

and lay with her father: and he perceived not when she lav down, nor when she arose. 34. And it came to pass on the morrow, that

the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold,

I lay yesternight

with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also: and ao thou in.

and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. 35. And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the vounger grose.

and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lav down, nor when she arose.

> 36. Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father.

37. And the first born bare a son, and called his

name Moab: the same is

the father of the

■ Moabites unto this day.

38. And the younger, she also

bare a son, and called his name

Benammi: the same is

■ the father of the children

■ of Ammon unto this day.

CHAPTER 20

1 And Abraham

iourneved from thence toward the

south country, and dwelled between Kadesh and Shur,

and sojourned in Gerar.

2. And Abraham said

of Sarah his wife,

She is my sister: and

Abimelech king of

Gerar sent, and

took Sarah.

3. But God came to

Abimelech in a

■ I dream by night.

and said to him, Behold.

thou art but

a dead man, for the woman which thou hast taken; for she

is a man's wife.

4. But Abimelech had not

come near her; and he said, LORD, wilt thou slav

also a righteous nation?

5. Said he not unto me. She is my sister? and she, even she herself said. He is my brother:

in the integrity of my heart and

innocency of my hands have I done this.

6. And God said

unto him in a dream.

Yea. I know that thou didst this in the integrity of thy heart; for I also withheld thee

from sinning against

me: therefore suffered I thee not to touch her

7. Now therefore restore the man his wife: for he is a prophet, and he shall pray for thee, and thou shalt

live: and if thou restore her not. know thou that thou shalt surely die. thou, and all that are thine.

8. Therefore Abimelech rose early in the morning, and called all his servants, and told all these things in their ears: and the men were sore afraid.

9 Then Abimelech called Abraham, and said unto him.

What hast thou done unto us? and what have I offended thee. that thou hast brought on me and

> on my kingdom a great sin? thou hast done deeds unto me that ought not to be done.

10. And Abimelech said unto Abraham, What sawest thou, that thou hast done this thing?

11. And Abraham

said, Because

I thought. Surely the fear of God is not in this place:

and they will slay me for

my wife's sake.

12. **And** yet indeed

she is my sister; she is the daughter of my father,

but not the daughter of

my mother; and she

became my wife.

13. And it came to pass,

when God caused me to wander from my father's house. ■ that I said unto her. This is thy kindness which

thou shalt shew unto me: at every place

whither we shall come.

say of me. He is my brother.

14 And Abimelech took sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and womenservants, and

gave them unto Abraham, and restored him Sarah his wife.

> 15 And Abimelech said Behold my land is before thee; dwell where it pleaseth thee.

16. And unto Sarah he said, Behold, I have given thy brother a thousand pieces of silver: behold, he is to thee a covering of the eyes, unto all that are with thee, and with all other. thus she was reproved.

17. So Abraham praved unto God:

and God healed

Abimelech, and his wife, and

his maidservants: and they bare children.

18. For the LORD had fast

closed up all

the wombs of the house of Abimelech, because of

■ Sarah Abraham's wife.

CHAPTER 21

1. And the LORD visited Sarah as he had said, and the LORD.

did unto Sarah as he had spoken.

2. For Sarah conceived.

and bare Abraham **a son** in his old age.

at the set time of which

God had spoken to him.

3. And Abraham

called the name of his son that was born unto

him, whom Sarah bare to him.

Isaac.

4. And Abraham circumcised his son. Isaac being eight days old, as God

had commanded him.

And Abraham was an hundred years old, when his son

Isaac was born unto him

And Sarah said. God. hath made me to laugh, so that all that hear will laugh with me. 7 And she said

Who would have

said unto Abraham

that Sarah should have given children suck? for I

have born him a son in his old age.

And the child grew, and was weaned: and Abraham made a great feast the same day that Isaac was weaned.

And Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, which she had born unto Abraham.

mockina.

10. Wherefore she said unto Abraham. Cast out this bondwoman and her son: . for the son of this bondwoman.

shall not be heir with

my son, even

with Isaac. 11. And the thing was very grievous in Abraham's

sight because of his son.

12. And God said unto Abraham.

Let it not be grievous in thy sight because of the lad, and

because of thy bondwoman; in all that

Sarah hath said unto thee.

hearken unto her voice: for in Isaac shall thy

seed be called.

13. And also of the son of the bondwoman will I make

a nation, because he is thy seed.

14. And Abraham rose up

early in the morning, and

took bread, and a bottle of water, and gave it unto

Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, and the child.

and sent her away: and she departed, and

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	wandered in the wilderness of Beersh 15. And the water v spent in the bottle, and she cast the cunder one of the s 16. And she went, and sat her	vas :hild
	down over against him way off, as it were a bo for she said, Let me the death of the ch And she sat over again him, and lift up her voice, wept.	ow shot: e not see iild. nst
	17. And God heard the voice of the lad; and the angel of G called to Hagar out and said unto her, What aileth thee, Hagar? fear not; for God h	od of heaven,
	heard the voice of the lad where he is. 18. Arise, lift up the and hold him in thine hand for I will make him great nation. 19. And God opend	i; a
-	eyes, and she saw well of water; and sh and filled the bottle with w and gave the lad drink. 20. And God was w lad; and he grew, a dwelt in the wilderness,	e went, vater, vith the
	and became an	the In: and e out of
	Abimelech and Ph the chief captain of host spake unto A saying, God is with thee in all that thou doe 23. Now therefore swear unto me here by that thou wilt not d	of his braham, n st: God

falsely with me, nor with

my son, nor with my son's

SOn: but according to the kindness that I have done unto thee, thou shalt do unto me, and to the land wherein. thou hast sojourned. And Abraham said. I will swear. 25. And Abraham reproved Abimelech because of a well of water which Abimelech's servants had violently taken away. And Abimelech said. I wot not who hath done this thing: neither didst thou tell me. neither yet heard I of it, but to-day. 27. And Abraham took sheep and oxen, and gave them unto Abimelech; and both of them made a covenant. 28. And Abraham set seven ewe lambs of the flock by themselves. 29. And Abimelech said unto Abraham. What *mean* these seven ewe lambs which thou hast set by themselves? 30. And he said. For these seven ewe lambs shalt thou take of my hand, that they may be a witness unto me, that I have diaged this well. 31. Wherefore he called that place Beersheba: because there they sware both of them 32. Thus they made a covenant at Beersheba: then Abimelech rose up. and Phichol the chief captain of his host, and they returned into the land of the Philistines. 33. And Abraham planted a grove in Beersheba. and called there on the name of the LORD, the everlasting God.

34. And Abraham sojourned in

the Philistines' land many days.

CHAPTER 22

■ 1 1. And it came to

DGSS after these things. ■ that God did tempt

Abraham, and said unto him. Abraham: and he said.

Behold, here I am.

2. And he said, Take now thy son, thine only son

ISCC. whom thou lovest. and get thee

into the land of

Moriah: and offer him there for a burnt offering upon

one of the mountains which

I will tell thee of 3 And Abraham rose up.

early in the morning, and

saddled his ass, and

took two of his

young men with him.

and Isaac his son.

and clave the

wood for the burnt

offering, and rose up.

and went unto

the place of which God had told him.

4. Then on the third day

Abraham lifted up his eyes, and

saw the place afar off.

5. And Abraham

said unto his young men,

Abide ye here with the ass; and I and the lad will go yonder

and worship.

and come again to you.

■ 6. And Abraham took

the wood of the burnt offering,

■ and laid it upon

■ Isaac his son:

■ and he took

■ the fire in his hand.

and a knife; and

■ they went both of them

together.

7. And Isaac spake unto Abraham his father, and

said, My father: and he said, Here am I, my son. And he said,

■ Behold the fire and the ■ wood: but where is the

lamb for a burnt offering?

And Abraham

said. My son.

God will provide himself

a lamb for a burnt offering; so they went both of them together.

And they came to the place which God had told him of:

and Abraham built an altar there, and laid the wood in order.

and bound Isaac his son

and laid him on the

altar upon the wood.

10 And Ahraham

stretched forth his hand, and

took the knife to slay his son.

11. And the angel of the LORD called unto him.

out of heaven, and said,

Abraham, Abraham: and he said. Here am L

12 **And** he

said, Lay not thine

hand upon the lad, neither

do thou any thing unto him: for now I know that

thou fearest God, seeing

thou hast not withheld thy son, thine only son from me.

13. And Abraham

lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold

behind him a ram caught

in a thicket by his horns:

and Abraham went and took the ram, and offered

him up for a burnt offering

in the stead of his son.

14. And Abraham called

the name of that

place Jehovahjireh: as it is said to this day. In the mount of the LORD it shall be seen.

15. And the angel of the LORD called unto Abraham out of heaven

the second time.

16. And said, By myself have I sworn, saith the

LORD, for because thou hast done this thing, and hast

not withheld thy son, thine only son:

17. That in blessing

I will bless thee.

and in multiplying I will multiply thy seed as the stars of the heaven. and as the sand which is

upon the sea shore: and thy seed shall possess

the gate of his enemies:

18. And in thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed: because thou

hast obeved my voice. 19 So Abraham returned

unto his young men, and they rose up and went together to Beersheba:

and Abraham dwelt at Beersheba.

20. And it came to pass after these things, that it was told Abraham. saying, Behold, Milcah, she hath also born children unto thy brother Nahor: 21. Huz his firstborn, and Buz his brother, and Kemuel the father of Aram. 22. And Chesed, and Hazo, and Pildash, and Jidlaph, and Bethuel. 23. And Bethuel begat Rebekah: these eight Milcah did bear to Nahor, Abraham's brother. 24. And his concubine, whose name was Reumah, she bare also Tebah, and Gaham, and Thahash, and Maachah.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. And Sarah was an hundred and seven and twenty years old: these were the years of the life of Sarah.
- 2. And Sarah died in Kiriatharba: the same is
- Hebron in the land of Canaan: and Abraham
- came to mourn for Sarah, and
- to weep for her.
- 3. And Abraham
- stood up from
- before his dead, and spake unto the sons
- of Heth, saying,
- 4. I am a stranger and
- a sojourner with you:
- give me a possession of a
- burying place with you,
- that I may bury my

dead out of my sight.

- 5 And the children of Heth answered Abraham.
- saving unto him. 6. Hear us, my lord:
- thou *art* a mighty
- prince among us: in the choice of our
- sepulchres bury thy
- dead: none of us shall withhold from thee his sepulchre, but that thou mayest bury thy dead.
 - 7. And Abraham stood up, and bowed himself to the people of the land. even to the children of Heth.
- And he communed with them, saying, If it be your mind that I should bury my dead out of my sight; hear me, and
- entreat for me to

- Ephron the son of Zohar.
- 9. That he may give me the cave of Machpelah, which he hath, which is in the end of his field; for as much money as it is worth he shall give it me for a possession of a burvingplace amongst you. 10. And Ephron dwelt among
- the children of Heth:
- and Ephron the Hittite answered Abraham in the audience of the children of Heth. even of all that went in at the gate of his city, saving,
 - 11. Nay, my lord, hear me:
- the field give I thee, and the Cave that is therein. I give it thee:

in the presence of the sons of my people give I it thee:

- bury thy dead.
- 12. And Abraham
- bowed down himself before the people of the land.
- 13. **And** he
- spake unto Ephron in the audience of the people of the land.
- saying, But if thou wilt give it, I pray thee, hear me:
- I will give thee money for
 - the field: take it of me, and I will bury my dead there.
- 14. And Ephron answered Abraham, saying unto him,

- 15. My lord, hearken unto me: the land is worth four hundred shekels of silver;
- what is that

betwixt me and thee?

bury therefore thy dead.

16. And Abraham hearkened unto Ephron;

- and Abraham weighed
 to Ephron the silver, which
 he had named in the audience
 of the sons of Heth
- four hundred shekels of silver, current money
 - with the merchant.
 - which was in Machpelah, which was before Mamre, the field, and
- the cave which was therein,
 and all the trees that were in the field, that were in all the
- were made sure
 - 18. Unto Abraham for a possession in the presence of the children of Heth, before all that went in at the gate of his city.
- 19. And after this.
- Abraham buried Sarah
- his wife in the cave of the field of Machpelah before Mamre:
- the same *is* Hebron
- in the land of
- Canaan.

20. And the field, and the cave that *is* therein, were made sure unto Abraham for a possession of a buryingplace by the sons of Heth.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. And Abraham was old,
 and well stricken in age: and
- the LORD had blessed
- Abraham in all things.
- 2 And Abraham said
- unto his eldest servant of his house, that ruled over all that he had,
- Put, I pray thee.
- thy hand under my thigh:
- 3. And I will make thee
 - swear by the LORD, the God of heaven, and the God of the earth,
 - that thou shalt not take a

- wife unto my son of the daughters of the
 - Canaanites, among whom I dwell:
 - 4. But thou shalt go unto my country, and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son Isaac.
- 5. And the servant
 - Peradventure the woman will not be willing to follow me unto this land: must I needs bring thy
- son again unto the land from whence thou camest?
- 6. And Abraham said unto him.
- Beware thou that thou bring not my son thither again.
 - 7. **The LORD** God of heaven, which took me from my father's house, and from the land of my kindred, and which spake unto me.
- spake unto me, and that sware unto me,
- saying, Unto thy seed will
 I give this land; he shall
 send his angel before thee.
 and thou shalt take a wife
- and thou shalt take a wife unto my son from thence.
- 8. And if the woman
- will not be willing to follow thee, then
- thou shalt be clear from this
- my oath: only bring not my son thither again.
- 9. And the servant put his hand under the thigh of Abraham his master, and
- **sware** to him

- concerning that matter.

 And the servant took
 - 10. And the servant took ten camels of the camels
- of his master, and departed;
 for all the goods of his
- master were in his hand: and he arose.
- and went to Mesopotamia,unto the city of Nahor.
- 11. And he made his camels to kneel
 - down without the city
 - by a well of water

- at the time of the evening, even the time that
- women go out to
- 12. And he said, O LORD
- God of my master Abraham, I pray thee, send me good speed this day, and
- shew kindness unto my master Abraham.
 - 13. Behold, I stand *here* by the well of water; and the daughters of the men of the city come out to draw water:
- 14. And let it come to pass, ■ that the damsel to whom
- I shall say, Let down
- thy pitcher, I pray thee, that I may drink; and
- she shall say, Drink, and
- I will give thy camels drink also: let the same be
- she that thou hast
- appointed for thy servant Isaac: and thereby shall I
 - know that thou hast shewed kindness unto my master.
- 15. And it came to pass, before he had done speaking,
- that, behold,
- Rebekah came out, who
 was born to Bethuel, son of
 Milcah, the wife of Nahor,
- Abraham's brother, with her pitcher upon her shoulder.
- 16. And the damsel was very fair to look upon, a virgin.
 - neither had any man known her: and she went down to the well, and filled her pitcher, and came up.
- 17. And the servant ran to meet her, and
- said, Let me, I pray thee,
 drink a little water
 of thy pitcher.
- 18. And she said, Drink, my lord: and she hasted, and let down her pitcher upon her hand, and gave him drink.
- 19. And when she had done giving him drink, she said,
- I will draw water for thy camels also, until they
 - have done drinking.

- 20. And she hasted, and emptied her pitcher into the trough, and ran again unto the well to draw water, and drew for all his camels.
- And the man wondering at her held his peace, to wit whether the LORD had made his journey prosperous or not.
- 22. And it came to pass,
- as the camels had done drinking, that
- the man took a golden
 earring of half a shekel weight.
- and two bracelets for her hands of ten shekels weight
 - of gold;
- 23. And said, Whose daughter *art* thou?
 - tell me, I pray thee:
- is there room in thy father's house for us to lodge in?
- 24. And she said unto him,
- I am the daughter of Bethuel the son of Milcah.
 - which she bare unto Nahor.
 - 25. She said

- moreover unto him,
 - We have both straw and provender enough, and
- room to lodge in.
 26. And the man
- bowed down his head, and
- worshipped the LORD.
- Blessed be the LORD God of my master Abraham.
- Who hath not left destitute my master of his mercy and his truth: I being in the way, the LORD
- led me to the house of my master's brethren.
- 28. And the damsel ran, and told them of
- her mother's house
- these things.
- 29. And Rebekah had a
- brother, and his name was
- Laban: and Laban ran
- out unto the man, unto the well.
 - 30. And it came to pass, when
- he saw the earring and
 - bracelets upon his sister's

hands, and when he heard the words of

Rebekah his sister, saving. Thus spake the man unto me: that he came unto the man; and, behold, he stood by the camels at the well.

31. And he said. Come in thou blessed of the LORD: wherefore standest thou without?

for I have prepared the house, and room for the camels. 32 And the man came into the house: and he ungirded his camels, and gave straw and provender for the camels, and water to wash his feet, and the

men's feet that were with him 33 And there was set meat before him to eat: but he said. I will not eat. until I have told mine errand. And he said, Speak on.

34. And he said. I am Abraham's servant. 35. And the LORD hath blessed. my master greatly; and he is become great: and he hath given him flocks, and herds, and silver, and gold, and menservants, and maidservants. and camels, and asses.

36. And Sarah my master's wife bare a son to my master when she was old: and unto him hath he given all that he hath.

37. And my master made me swear, saying, Thou shalt not take a wife to my son of the daughters of the Canaanites, in whose land I dwell: 38. But thou shalt

go unto my father's house. and to my kindred, and take a wife unto my son.

39. And I said unto my master, Peradventure the woman will not follow me.

40. And he said unto me, The LORD. before whom I walk, will send his angel with thee, and prosper thy way; and thou shalt take a wife for my son of my kindred, and of my father's house:

41. Then shalt thou be clear from this. my path, when thou comest to my kindred; and if they give not thee one. thou shalt be clear from my oath. 42. And I came this day unto the well, and said, O LORD God of my master Abraham, if now thou do prosper my way which I go: 43. Behold, I stand by the well of water: and it shall come to pass. that when the virgin cometh forth to draw water, and I say to her, Give me, I pray thee, a little water of thy pitcher to drink:

44. And she say to me. Both drink thou, and I will also draw for thy camels: let the same be the woman. whom the LORD hath appointed out for my master's son.

45. And before I had done speaking in mine heart, behold, Rebekah came forth with her pitcher on her shoulder: and she went down unto the well. and drew water, and I said unto her. Let me drink, I pray thee.

46. And she made haste, and let down her pitcher from her shoulder and said. Drink, and I will give thy camels drink also; so I drank, and she made the camels drink also.

47. And I asked her, and said, Whose daughter art thou? And she said, the daughter of Bethuel, Nahor's son, whom Milcah bare unto him: and I put the earring upon her face, and the bracelets upon her hands.

48. And I bowed down my head, and worshipped the LORD, and blessed the LORD God of my master Abraham. which had led me in the right way to take my master's brother's daughter unto his son. 49. And now if ve will

deal kindly and truly with my master, tell me: and if not, tell me; that I may turn to the right hand, or to the left. 50. Then Laban and

Bethuel answered and said. The thing proceedeth from the LORD: we cannot

speak unto thee bad or good. 51. Behold, Rebekah is

- before thee, take her, and go, and let her be thy master's son's wife, as the LORD hath spoken.
 - 52. And it came to pass, that, when Abraham's servant heard their words, he worshipped the LORD, bowing himself to the earth.
- 53 And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and iewels of gold.
- and raiment, and gave
- them to Rebekah: he 8 gave also to her
- **brother and** to her
 - mother precious things. 54. And they did eat and drink, he and the men that were with him, and tarried all night:
- and they rose up in the morning, and he said. Send me away unto my master.
- 55. And her brother and her
- mother said. Let the damsel abide with us a
- few days, at the least ten: after that she shall go.
- 56. And he said unto them. Hinder me not, seeing the LORD
 - hath prospered my way; send me away that I may go to my master.
- 57. And they said, We will call the damsel, and ■ inquire at her mouth.
- 58. And they called
- Rebekah, and said unto her. Wilf thou go with this man?
- And she said, I will go.
 - 59. And they sent away Rebekah their sister, and her nurse, and Abraham's servant, and his men.
- 60. And they blessed ■ Rebekah, and said unto her.
- Thou *art* our sister, be ■ thou the mother of thousands
- of millions, and let thy
- seed possess the gate of those which hate them.
 - 61. And Rebekah arose, and her damsels, and they rode upon the camels, and followed the man:
 - and the servant took Rebekah, and went

his way.

- 62. And Isaac came from the way of the well Lahairoi: for he dwelt in the south country.
- 63. And Isaac went out to meditate in the
- field at the eventide:
- and he lifted up his eyes, and
- SQW, and, behold.
- the camels were
- comina.
 - 64. And Rebekah lifted up her eyes, and
- when she saw Isaac, she
- liahted off the camel.
- 65. For she had said
- unto the servant. What
- man is this that
- walketh in the field to meet
- us? And the servant had said, It is my master: therefore
 - she took a vail, and covered herself. 66. And the servant told Isaac all things that he had done.
 - 67. And Isaac brought her into his mother Sarah's tent, and took Rebekah.
- and she became his wife:
 - and he loved her: and Isaac
- was comforted after his
- mother's death.

CHAPTER 25

- Then again Abraham took a wife. and her name was Keturah.
- And she bare him Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian. and Ishbak, and Shuah.
- 3. And Jokshan begat Sheba, and Dedan. And the sons of Dedan were Asshurim, and Letushim, and Leummim.
- And the sons of Midian; Ephah. and Epher, and Hanoch, and Abidah, and Eldaah. All these were the children of Keturah.
- 5. And Abraham gave all that he had unto Isaac.
- 6. But unto the sons of the
- concubines, which Abraham had,
 - Abraham gave gifts, and sent them away from Isaac his
 - son, while he yet lived, eastward,

unto the east country.

7. And these are the days of the years of Abraham's life which he lived. an hundred threescore and fifteen years.

8 Then Abraham gave up the ghost, and

died in a good old age. an old man, and full of years;

and was aathered to his people.

9. And his sons

P Isaac and Ishmael

buried him in the cave

of Machpelah, in the field of Ephron the son of Zohar the Hittite. which is before Mamre:

 The field which Abraham purchased of the sons of Heth: there was Abraham buried, and Sarah his wife

11. And it came to pass after the death of Abraham, that

God blessed his son

ISQQC; and Isaac dwelt by the well Lahairoi.

12. Now these are the generations of Ishmael, Abraham's son, whom Hagar the Egyptian, Sarah's handmaid, bare unto Abraham:

13. And these are the names of the sons of Ishmael, by their names. according to their generations: the firstborn of Ishmael, Nebajoth; and Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,

14. And Mishma, and Dumah. and Massa.

15. Hadar, and Tema, Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah;

16. These are the sons of Ishmael. and these are their names, by their towns, and by their castles; twelve princes according to their nations.

17. And these are the years of the life of Ishmael, an hundred and thirty and seven years: and he gave up the ghost and died; and was gathered unto his people.

18. And they dwelt from Havilah unto Shur, that is before Egypt, as thou goest toward Assyria: and he died in the presence of all his brethren.

19. And these are the generations

of Isaac, Abraham's son: Abraham begat Isaac:

20. And Isaac was forty vears old when he took Rebekah to wife, the daughter of Bethuel the Syrian of Padanaram. the sister to Laban the Syrian.

21. And Isaac entreated the LORD for his wife, because she was barren and the LORD was intreated of him.

and Rebekah his wife. conceived.

22. And the children struaaled together within her: and she **said.** if it be so.

why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD.

23 And the LORD said unto her

Two nations *are* in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels: and the one people shall be stronger than the other people:

and the elder shall serve the younger.

24. And when her days to be delivered were fulfilled, behold.

there were twins in her womb.

25 And the first came

out red, all over

like an hairy garment; and they called his name Esau. 26. And after that came his brother out, and his hand took hold on Esqu's heel: and his name was called Jacob: and Isaac was threescore vears old when she bare them.

27. And the boys grew: and Esau was a cunning

hunter, a man of the field: and Jacob was a

plain man, dwelling in tents. 28. And Isaac loved Esau.

because he did eat of his venison: but Rebekah loved Jacob.

29. And Jacob sod pottage: and Esau

came from the field.

- and he was faint:
- 30 And Esau said to Jacob.
- Feed me. I pray thee, with
- that same red
- pottage; for I am faint:therefore was his
- name called Edom.
- 31. And Jacob said.
- **Sell me** this day
- thy birthright.
- 32. And Esau said. Behold.
- I am at the point to die: and ■ what profit shall this
- birthright do to
 - me?
 - 33. And Jacob said, Swear to me this day; and he sware unto him:
- and he sold his birthright unto Jacob.
- 34. Then Jacob gave Esau bread and
- pottage of lentiles; and he did eat and drink, and rose up, and went his way:
- thus Esau despised | ■ | his birthright.

CHAPTER 26

- 1. And there was a famine in the land, beside the first famine that was in the days of Abraham.
- And Isaac went unto
- Abimelech king of the ■ Philistines unto Gerar.
- 2. And the LORD
- appeared unto him, and
- said. Go not down into
- **Eavot**: dwell in the land which I shall tell thee of:
 - 3. Sojourn in this land, and
- I will be with thee, and will ■ | bless thee: for unto thee, and unto thy seed. I will give all these
 - countries, and I will perform the oath which I sware unto Abraham thy father:
- 4. And I will make thy
 - seed to multiply as the stars of heaven, and will
- aive unto thy seed all these countries: and in
- thy seed shall all the
- nations of the earth

be blessed:

- 5. Because that Abraham obeyed my voice, and kept my charge, my commandments, my statutes, and my laws.
- And Isaac dwelt in Gerar:
- 7. And the men of the place
- asked him
- of his wife: and he said.
- She is my sister: for he feared to say. She is my wife: lest, said he, the men of the place should kill me for Rebekah; because she was fair to look upon.
- 8. And it came to pass. when he had been there a long time,
- that Abimelech king of the Philistines
- looked out at
- a window, and
- saw, and, behold,
- Isaac was
- sporting with
- Rebekah his wife.
- And Abimelech
- called Isaac, and
- said. Behold, of a surety
 - she is thy wife; and how saidst thou. She is my sister? And Isaac said unto him. Because I said. Lest Ldie for her.
- 10. And Abimelech said, What is this thou hast
- done unto us? one of the people might lightly have lien with thy wife, and thou shouldest have brought quiltiness upon us.
- 11. And Abimelech charged all his people, saving, He that toucheth this man
- or his wife shall surely be put to death.
- 12. Then Isaac sowed
- in that land, and received in the same year
- an hundredfold: and
- the LORD blessed him. And the man waxed great, and went forward, and grew until he
- became very great:
 - 14. For he had possession of flocks, and possession of herds,

and great store of servants: and the Philistines

envied him.

15. For all the wells which his father's servants had digged in the days of Abraham his father, the Philistines had stopped them, and filled them with earth

16 And Abimelech said unto Isaac. Go from us; for thou art much mightier than we. 17. And Isaac departed

thence and pitched his tent

in the valley of

Gerar, and dwelt there.

18. And Isaac digged again the wells

of water, which they had

diaged in the days of Abraham his father:

for the Philistines had

stopped them after the death of Abraham: and he called their names after the names by which his father had called them.

19. And Isaac's servants diaged in the valley.

and found there

a well of springing water.

20. And the herdmen of Gerar did strive

with Isaac's herdmen.

saying. The water is ours: and he called the name of the well Esek; because they strove with him.

21. And they digged another well, and strove

for that also: and he called the name of it Sitnah

22. And he removed from thence, and

digged another well; and for that they strove not: and he called the name of it

Rehoboth: and he said. For now the LORD hath made room for us, and we shall be fruitful in the land.

■ 23. And he went up from thence to Beersheba.

24. And the LORD appeared

unto him the same night,

and said. I am the God of Abraham thy father:

fear not, for I am with thee. and will bless thee, and multiply thy seed for my servant Abraham's sake.

25 And he builded an altar there, and called

upon the name of

the LORD, and nitched his tent there:

and there

Isaac's servants diaged a well.

26. Then Abimelech went

to him from Gerar

and Ahuzzath one of his friends, and Phichol the chief captain of his army.

27. And Isaac said unto them. Wherefore come ye to me,

seeing ve hate me, and have sent me away from you? 28. And they said.

We saw certainly

that the LORD was with

thee: and we said. Let there be now an oath betwixt us even betwixt. us and thee, and let us make a covenant with thee:

29. That thou wilt do us no hurt, as we have not touched thee, and as we have done unto thee nothing but good, and have sent thee away in peace; thou art now the blessed of the LORD.

30. And he made them a feast, and they did eat and drink.

31. And they rose up betimes in the morning, and sware one to another: and isaac sent them away, and they

departed from him

in peace.

32. **And** it came to pass the same day, that

Isaac's servants came, and told him concerning the well which they had digged, and said unto him,

We have found water.

33 And he called it Shebah:

therefore the name of the city *is* Beersheba

unto this day. 34. And Esau was

- forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri
- the Hittite, and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite:
- 35. Which were a arief of mind
- unto Isaac and to
- Rebekah.

CHAPTER 27

- 1. And it came to pass, that when Isaac was old and his eyes were dim.
- so that he could not see.
- he called Esau his eldest son.
- and said unto him. My son: and he said unto him, Behold, here am I.
 - 2. And he said. Behold now, I am old.

I know not the day of my death:

- 3. Now therefore take, I pray thee, thy weapons. thy quiver and thy bow, and
- go out to the field, and
- take me some venison;
- 4. And make me sayoury meat, such as I love.
- and bring it to me,
- that I may eat; that my soul may bless thee
- before I die.
- And Rebekah heard when Isaac spake to Esau his son, And Esau went to the field to hunt for venison, and to bring it.
- And Rebekah
- spake unto Jacob her son. saving, Behold, I heard thy father speak unto Esau thy brother, saving.
 - 7. Bring me venison, and make me savoury meat, that I may eat, and bless thee before the LORD before my death.
 - 8. Now therefore.
- my son, obey my
- voice according to that which I command thee.
- 9. Go now to the flock, and
- I fetch me from thence
- two good kids of the goats;
- and will make them
- savoury meat for thy
- father, such as he loveth:

- 10. And thou shalt
- bring if to thy father.
 - that he may eat.
- and that he may

- bless thee before his death.
- 11. And Jacob said to Rebekah his mother, Behold,
- Esau my brother
- is a hairy man, and I am a smooth man:
- 12. **My father** peradventure
- will feel me, and I shall seem to him as a deceiver:
- and I shall bring a curse
- upon me, and not a blessing.
- 13. And his mother
 - said unto him. Upon me be thy curse, my son; only
 - obev my voice, and
 - go fetch me them.
- 14. And he went, and fetched, and
- brought them to his mother: and his mother made
- savoury meat, such as his
- father loved. 15. And Rebekah took goodly
- raiment of her eldest son
- Esqu. which were
 - with her in the house.
 - and put them upon
- Jacob her younger son:
- 16. And she put the
- skins of the kids
- of the goats upon his hands, and
 - upon the smooth of his
 - neck:

- 17. And she gave the savoury meat and the bread, which she had prepared, into the hand. of her son Jacob.
- 18. And he came unto
- his father, and said, My father: and he said. Here am I:
- who art thou, my son?
- 19. And Jacob
- said unto his father.
 - I am Esau thy first born:
 - I have done according as thou badest me:
- arise. I pray thee, sit
- and eat of my venison, that
- thy soul may bless me.

20. And Isaac said unto his son. ■ How is it that thou hast found it so quickly, my son? And he said, Because the LORD thy God brought it to me. 21. And Isaac said unto Jacob. Come near. I pray thee. that I may feel thee, my son, whether thou be my very son Esau or not. 22. And Jacob went near unto Isaac his father: and he felt him, and said. The voice is Jacob's voice. but the hands are the hands of Esqu. 23 And he discerned him not, because his hands were hairy, as his brother Esau's hands: so he blessed him. 24. And he said, Art thou my very son Esau? And he said, I am. 25. And he said, Bring if near to me. and I will eat of my son's venison, that my soul may bless thee. And he brought it near to him, and he did eat: and he brought him wine and he drank. 26. And his father Isaac said unto him. Come near now, and kiss me, my son. 27. And he came near, and kissed him: and he smelled the smell of his raiment, and blessed him. and said. See, the smell of my son is as the smell of a field which the LORD hath blessed: 28. Therefore God give thee of the dew of heaven. and the fatness of the earth, and plenty of corn and wine: 29. Let people serve thee, and nations bow down to I thee: be lord over thy brethren.

and let thy mother's sons

bow down to thee: cursed

be every one that curseth

thee, and blessed be he that blesseth thee. And it came to pass. as soon as Isaac had made an end of blessing Jacob, and Jacob was yet scarce gone out from the presence of Isaac his father. that Esau his brother came in from his hunting. 31 And he also had. made savoury meat, and brought it unto his father. and said unto his father. Let my father arise, and eat of his son's venison. that thy soul may bless me. And Isaac his father. said unto him Who art thou? And he said. I am thy son, thy firstborn Esau. 33. And Isaac trembled very exceedingly. and said, Who? where is he that hath taken venison, and brought it me, and I have eaten of all before thou camest, and have blessed him? yea. and he shall be blessed. 34. And when Esau heard the words of his father, he cried with Q great and exceeding bitter cry, and said unto his father. Bless me. even me also. O my father. 35. And he said. Thy brother came with subtilty, and hath taken away thy blessina. 36. And he said, Is not he

rightly named Jacob? for he hath supplanted me these two times: he took away my birthright; and, behold, now he hath taken away my blessing. And he said. Hast thou not reserved a

37. And Isaac answered and

blessing for me?

said unto Esau. Behold.

I have made him thy lord.

and all his brethren have I given to him for servants; and with corn and wine have I sustained him:

- and what shall I do now ■ unto thee, my son?
- 38. And Esqu
- said unto his father.
- Hast thou but one blessing, my father? bless me.
 - even me also. O my father. And Esau lifted up his voice, and
- wept.
- 39. And Isaac his father answered and
 - said unto him. Behold.
- thy dwelling shall be the fatness of the earth, and of the dew of heaven from above:
- 40. And by thy sword shalt thou live, and shalt serve thy brother; and it shall come to pass when thou shalt have the

dominion, that thou shalt break his yoke from off thy neck. 41. And Esau hated Jacob

- because of the blessing wherewith his father blessed him:
- and Esau
- said in his heart.
- The days of mourning for my father are at hand; then
- will I slay my brother Jacob.
 - 42 And these words of Esau her elder son
- were told to Rebekah:
- and she sent and
- called Jacob her younger son, **m** 1
- I and said unto him.
 - Behold, thy brother
- **Esau**, as touching thee, doth comfort himself.
- purposing to kill thee.
- 43. Now therefore, my son, obey my voice; arise,
 - flee thou
- to Laban my brother to Haran; 44. And tarry with him a few days,
- until thy brother's fury turn away:
 - 45. Until thy brother's anger turn away from thee, and he forget that which thou hast done to him:

- then I will send, and fetch
- thee from thence:
- why should I be
- deprived also
- of you both in one day? 46. And Rebekah said to
- ISQC. I am weary of my life because of the daughters of Heth:
- if Jacob take a wife
- of the daughters of
- Heth, such as these which are of the daughters of the land.
- what good shall my
- life do me?

CHAPTER 28

- 1. And Isaac called Jacob. and blessed him, and charged him.
- and said unto him.
- Thou shalt not take a wife of the daughters
- of Canaan.
- Arise, go to Padanaram.
- to the house of Bethuel
- thy mother's father;
 - and take thee
- a wife from thence of
- the daughters of
- **Laban** thy mother's brother.
 - And God Almighty bless thee, and make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, that thou mayest be a multitude of people;
 - 4. And give thee the blessing of Abraham, to thee, and to thy seed with thee; that thou mayest inherit the land wherein thou art a stranger. which God gave unto Abraham.
- 5. And Isaac sent
- away Jacob: and he
- went to Padanaram
- unto Laban, son of Bethuel the Syrian.
 - the brother of Rebekah. Jacob's and Esau's mother.
- When Esau saw that
- Isaac had blessed Jacob. and sent him away to Padanaram,
- to take him a wife from thence: and that as he blessed him he
- gave him a charge, saying,
 - Thou shalt not take a wife
- of the daughers of

■ I Canaan:

7. And that Jacob obeyed his father and his mother.

and was gone to

■ Padanarām:

■ 8. And Esau seeing that the ■ daughters of Canaan

pleased not Isaac his father:

■ | 9. Then went Esau unto Ishmael, and took unto

the wives which he had

Mahalath the dauahter of Ishmael Abraham's

son, the sister of Nebajoth,

to be his wife.

10. And Jacob went out from Beersheba, and

went toward Haran.

11. And he lighted upon a certain place, and

tarried there all night.

because the sun was

■ set: and he took of the **stones** of that place.

and put them for his ■ pillows and lay

down in that place

to sleep.

12. **And he**

dreamed, and behold

■ a ladder set up on the earth, and the top of it

reached to heaven:

and behold the

■ | angels of God

ascending and descending on it.

■ 13. **And**, behold.

the LORD stood above it.

■ and said. I am the LORD

■ God of Abraham thy father.

and the God of

ISQC: the land whereon thou liest. to thee will I give it, and to thy seed:

■ 14. And thy seed shall be

as the dust of the earth.

and thou shalt

spread abroad

■ to the west, and to the

east, and to the

north, and to the

south: and in

thee and in thy seed

shall all the families of the earth be blessed.

15. And, behold,

am with thee, and

will keep thee in all places whither thou goest. and will bring thee again

into this land: for

I will not leave thee until I have done that which I have spoken to thee of.

16. And Jacob

awaked out of his sleep,

and he

said. Surely

the LORD is in this place:

and I knew it not.

17. And he was afraid, and said. How dreadful is

this place! this is none other but the house of God, and this

is the gate of heaven.

18. And Jacob rose up

early in the morning, and took the stone that

he had put for his pillows.

and set it up for a pillar,

and poured

oil upon the top of it.

19. And he called

the name of that

place Bethel: but the name of that city was called Luz at the first.

20. And Jacob vowed a vow, saying, If God will

be with me, and will

keep me in this way that I go.

and will give me bread to eat.

and raiment to put on.

> 21. So that I come again to my father's house in peace:

then shall the LORD

be my God:

22. And this stone.

which I have set for a pillar.

shall be God's

house: and of

all that

thou shalt give me I will surely

give the tenth unto thee.

CHAPTER 29

- 1 Then Jacob went on his iourney, and came into the
- land of the people of the east. 2. And he looked, and
- behold a well in the field.
- **and.** lo, there were
- three flocks of sheep lying
 - by if: for out of that well they watered the flocks:
- and a great stone was upon the well's mouth.
 - 3 And thither were all the flocks gathered:
- and they rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the sheep, and

put the stone again upon the well's mouth in his place.

- 4 And Jacob said unto them. My brethren,
- whence be ve? And they
- said. Of Haran are we.
- 5. And he said unto them. 8
 - Know ye Laban the son of Nahor?
- And they said.
- We know him.
- 6. And he said unto them.
- Is he well? And they said. He is well: and, behold,
- Rachel his daughter
- cometh with the sheep.
- 7. And he said, Lo, it is yet high day, neither is it time
- that the cattle should be aathered together: water ve the
 - sheep, and go and feed them.
- 8. And they said. We
- cannot, until all the flocks be gathered together, and
- till they roll the stone
- from the well's mouth: then we water the sheep.
- 9. And while he yet spake with them,
- Rachel came with her father's sheep:
 - for she kept them.
- 10. And it came to pass, when
 - Jacob saw Rachel the daughter of Laban his mother's brother.
 - and the sheep of Laban his

- mother's brother, that Jacob went near, and rolled the stone from the well's mouth, and watered the flock of Laban his mother's brother
- 11. And Jacob kissed
- Rachel, and lifted up his voice.
- and wept.
- 12. And Jacob told
- Rachel that he was her father's brother, and that he was
- Rebekah's son: and she
- ran and told her father. 13. And it came to pass.
- when Laban heard the tidings. of Jacob his sister's son, that
- he ran to meet him, and embraced him, and kissed him.
- and brought him to his
 - house. And he told Laban all these things.
 - 14. And Laban said to him, Surely thou art my bone and my flesh.
- And he abode with him the space of a month.
 - 15. And Laban said unto Jacob. Because thou art my brother. shouldest thou therefore serve me for nought? tell me, what shall thy
- wages be? 16. And Laban had two
- daughters: the name of
- the elder was Leah. and the name of
- the younger was Rachel.
- 17. Leah was tender eyed; but Rachel was beautiful
- and well favoured 18. And Jacob loved
- Rachel: and said, I will serve thee seven years for
- Rachel thy younger daughter.
 - 19 And Laban said. It is better that I give her to thee, than that I should give her to another man: abide with me.
- 20. And Jacob served seven years for Rachel;
- and they seemed unto him
- but a few days, for the
- love he had to her.
- 21. And Jacob said unto
- Laban, Give *me* my
- wife, for my days are fulfilled,

that I may go in unto her.

22. And Laban gathered together all the men of the place, and made a feast.

23. And it came to pass

in the evening, that

he took Leah his daughter, and brought her to him;

and he went in unto her.

24. And Laban gave unto his daughter Leah Zilpah his maid for an handmaid

25. And it came to pass, that in the morning, behold. it was Leah; and

he said to Laban. What is this thou hast done unto me? did not I serve with thee for Bachel?

wherefore then

hast thou beguiled me? 26. And Laban said. It must

not be so done in our country.

to give the younger

before the firstborn.

27. Fulfil her week, and

we will give thee this also for the service which

thou shalt serve with me

yet seven other years. 28. And Jacob did

SO, and fulfilled her week:

and he gave him Rachel

his daughter to wife also. 29. And Laban gave to Rachel his daughter Bilhah his handmaid to be her maid.

30. And he went in also unto Rachel. and he loved also

Rachel more than Leah. and served with him yet

seven other years.

31. And when the LORD saw that Leah was hated, he opened her womb: but

■ Rachel was barren.

32. And Leah conceived, and

bare a son, and she called his name **Reuben**: for she said. Surely the

LORD hath looked upon my affliction; now therefore my husband will love me.

33. **And** she conceived again, and

bare a son; and said. Because the LORD hath heard I was hated, he hath therefore given me this son also: and she called his name. Simeon.

34. And she conceived again, and bare a son; and said. Now this time will my husband be joined unto me, because I have born him three sons: therefore was his name called

Levi

35. And she conceived again. and bare a son: and she said. Now will I praise the LORD: therefore she called his name

Judah: and left bearina.

CHAPTER 30

 And when Rachel saw that she bare Jacob no children.

Rachel envied her sister: and said unto Jacob. Give me children, or else I die.

2. And Jacob's anger

was kindled against Rachel:

and he said, Am I in God's stead, who

hath withheld from thee

the fruit of the womb?

And she said. Behold my maid Bilhah, go in unto her; and she shall bear upon my knees.

that I may also have

children by her.

4. And she gave him

Bilhah her handmaid to wife: and Jacob went in

unto her

5. And Bilhah conceived, and bare Jacob a son.

> 6. And Rachel said, God hath judged me, and hath also heard my voice. and hath given me a son: therefore

called she his name

Dan

7. And Bilhah Rachel's maid conceived again, and bare Jacob a second son.

8. And Rachel said, With great wrestlings have I wrestled with my sister, and I have prevailed; and she

called his name

🔳 Naphtali.

- 9. When Leah saw that she had
 left bearing, she took
 Zilpah her maid, and
 gave her Jacob to wife.
 10. And Zilpah Leah's maid
- bare Jacob a son.
 - 11. And Leah said, A troop cometh: and she called his name **Gad**.
- Gad.12. And Zilpah Leah's maid bare Jacob a second son.
- 13. And Leah said, Happy am I, for the daughters will call me blessed: and she called his name
- Asher.
- 14. And Reuben went in the days of wheat harvest, and
- found mandrakes in the field, and brought them
- unto his mother
- Leah. Then Rachel said to Leah. Give me. I pray thee.
- of thy son's mandrakes.
- 15. And she said unto her, Is it a small matter that thou hast taken my
- husband? and wouldest thou take away my son's
- mandrakes also? And
 Rachel said, Therefore he
 shall lie with thee tonight
- for thy son's mandrakes.
- of the field in the evening.
- and Leah went out
- to meet him, and
- said, Thou must come
 in unto me; for surely
 I have hired thee

with my son's mandrakes.

- And he lay with her that night.
- 17. **And** God hearkened unto **Legh.** and she

■ conceived, and bare

Jacob the fifth son.

- 18. And Leah said, God hath given me my hire, because I have given my maiden to my husband: and she called his name
- Issachar.
- 19. And Leah conceived again, and bare Jacob

the sixth son.

20. And Leah said, God hath endued me with a good dowry; now will my husband dwell with me, because I have born him six sons: and she called his name

Zebulun.

- 21. And afterwards
- she bare a
- **daughter**, and called her name
- Dinah.
- 22. And God remembered
- Rachel, and God hearkened to her, and opened her womb.
- 23. And she conceived, and
- bare a son; and said, God
 - hath taken away my reproach: 24 And she called his
- name Joseph; and said,
- The LORD shall add to me another son.
- 25. And it came to pass.
- when Rachel had
- born Joseph, that
- Jacob said unto Laban,
- Send me away, that I may go
- unto mine own place, and to my country.
 - 26. Give *me* my wives and my children, for whom I have served thee, and let me go: for thou knowest my service which I have done thee.
- 27. And Laban said unto him, I pray thee, if I have found favour in thine eyes, tarry:for
 I have learned by experience
- that the LORD hath blessed me for thy sake.
 - 28. And he said,
- Appoint me thy

 Wages, and I will give it.
 - 29. And he said unto him, Thou knowest how I have served thee, and how thy cattle was with me.
 - 30. For it was little which thou hadst before I came, and it is now increased unto a multitude; and the LORD hath blessed thee since my coming: and now when shall I provide for mine own house also?
- 31. And he said, What shall
- I give thee? And Jacob
- said, Thou shalt not give me any thing: if thou wilt do

this thing for me. I will again feed and keep thy flock. 32. I will pass through all thy flock to-day. removing from thence all the speckled and spotted cattle, and all the brown cattle among the sheep, and the spotted and speckled among the goats: and of such

shall be my hire. 33. So shall my righteousness answer for me in time to come, when it shall come for my hire before thy face:

every one that is not speckled and spotted among the goats, and brown among the sheep, that shall be counted stolen with me.

34 And Laban said Behold I would it might be according to thy word.

> 35. And he removed that day the he goats that were ringstraked and spotted, and all the she goats that were speckled and spotted, and every one that had some white in it, and all the brown among the sheep, and gave them into the hand of his sons.

36. And he set three days' journey betwixt himself and Jacob: and Jacob fed the rest of Laban's flocks.

37. And Jacob took him. rods of green poplar, and of the hazel and chestnut tree: and pilled white strakes in them, and made the white appear which was in the

rods. 38. And he set the

rods which he had pilled before the flocks in the gutters in the watering troughs when the flocks came to drink.

that they should conceive when they came to drink. ■ 39. And the flocks

conceived before the rods, and brought forth cattle

ringstraked, speckled,

and spotted.

40. And Jacob did separate the lambs, and set the faces of the flocks. toward the ringstraked, and all the brown in the flock of Laban; and

he put his own flocks by themselves, and put them not unto Laban's cattle.

41. And it came to pass

whensoever the stronger cattle did conceive that

Jacob laid the rods before the eyes of

the cattle in the gutters.

that they might conceive among the rods.

42. But when the cattle were feeble, he put them

not in: so the feebler were Laban's, and the stronger Jacob's.

43. And the man increased exceedingly, and had much cattle, and maidservants. and menservants, and camels. and asses

CHAPTER 31

 And he heard the words of Laban's sons, saying, Jacob hath taken away all that was our father's: and of that which was our father's hath he gotten all this glory. And Jacob beheld the countenance of Laban, and, behold, it was not loward him as before.

3. And the LORD said unto Jacob. Return unto the land of thy fathers, and to thy kindred; and

I will be with thee.

4. And Jacob sent and

called Rachel and Leah to the field unto his flock

And said unto them, I see

vour father's countenance that it

is not toward me as

before; but the God of my father hath been with me.

> 6. And ve know that with all my power I have served your father.

> 7. And your father hath deceived me.

- and changed my wages ten times; but God suffered him not to hurt me.
- 8. If he said thus, The speckled shall be thy wages; then all the cattle bare speckled: and if he said thus, The ringstraked shall be thy hire; then bare all the cattle ringstraked.
- 9. Thus God hath taken away the cattle of your father, and given them to me.
- 10. And it came to pass at the time that the cattle conceived, that I lifted up mine eyes, and saw in a dream, and, behold, the rams which leaped upon the cattle were ringstraked, speckled, and grisled.
- 11. And the angel of God
 spake unto me in a dream,
 saying, Jacob: And I
 said. Here am I.
 - 12. And he said, Lift up now thine eyes, and see, all the rams which leap upon the cattle *are* ringstraked, speckled, and grisled: for I have seen all that I aban doeth unto thee.
 - 13. I am the God of Bethel, where thou anointedst the pillar, and where thou vowedst a vow unto me: now arise, get thee out from this land, and
- return unto the land of thy kindred.
- 14. And Rachel and Leah answered and said unto him,
 Is there yet any portion
- or inheritance for us in our father's house?
 - 15. Are we not counted of him strangers?
- for he hath sold us, and hath quite devoured also our money.

 For all the riches which God hath taken from our father, that is ours, and our children's:
- now then, whatsoever God
 hath said unto thee, do.
 17. Then Jacob rose up. and
- 17. Inen Jacob rose up, and
 set his sons and his wives
 upon camels:
- 18. And he carried away
 all his cattle, and all his
 goods which he had gotten,
 - the cattle of his getting, which he had gotten in Padanaram, for

to go to Isaac his

- father in the land of Canaan.
 - 19. **And** Laban went to shear his sheep; and
- Rachel had stolen the images that were
- her father's.
- 20. And Jacob stole away
 unawares to Laban the Syrian, in that he told him not that he fled.
 - 21. So he fled with all that he had; and he rose up,
- and passed over the river, and set his face toward the mount Gilead.
- 22. And it was told Laban on the third day
- that Jacob was
- 23. And he took his brethren with him, and
- pursued after him seven days' journey;
 and they
- overtook him in the mount Gilead.
- 24. And God came to Laban the Syrian in a dream by night.
- and said unto him,
- speak not to Jacob either good or bad.
 - 25. Then Laban overtook Jacob. Now Jacob had pitched his tent in the mount: and Laban with his brethren pitched in the mount of Gilead.
- 26. And Laban said to
 Jacob, What hast thou
 done, that thou hast stolen
- away unawares to me, and carried away my daughters, as captives taken with the sword?
- 27. Wherefore didst
 thou flee away secretly,
- and steal away
- from me; and didst not tell me, that I might have sent thee away with mirth, and with songs, with tabret, and with haro?
- 28. And hast not suffered
 me to kiss my sons and my
 - daughters? thou hast now

done foolishly in so doing.

29. It is in the power of my hand to do you hurt: but the God of your father

spake unto me vesternight.

saying, Take thou heed that thou

speak not to Jacob either good or bad.

30. And now, though thou wouldest needs be gone, because thou sore longedst after thy father's house,

yet wherefore hast thou stolen my gods?

31. And Jacob answered and said to Laban, Because I was afraid: for I said, Peradventure thou wouldest take by force thy daughters from me.

32. With whomsoever thou findest thy gods,
 let him not live: before our brethren discern thou what is

thine with me, and take it to thee. For Jacob knew not that Rachel had stolen them.

33. **And Laban** went into Jacob's tent, and into Leah's tent, and into the two maidservants' tents; but he found *them* not. Then went he out of Leah's tent, and

entered into
Rachel's tent.

■ 34. Now Rachel

had taken the images, and

put them in the camel'sfurniture, and sat upon

them. And Laban

searched all the tent, but

found them not.

35. And she said to her father, Let it not displease my lord that I cannot rise up before thee; for the custom of women *is* upon me. And he searched but found not the images.

■ 36. And Jacob was

■ Wroth, and chode

with Laban: and Jacob answered

and said to Laban,

What is my trespass?

what is my sin, that thou hast so hotly pursued

after me?

37. Whereas thou hast

searched all my stuff.

what hast thou found of all thy household stuff? set it here before my brethren and thy brethren, that they may judge betwixt us both.

38. This twenty years have I been with thee; thy ewes and thy she goats have not cast their young, and the rams of thy flock have I not eaten.

39. That which was torn of beasts I brought not unto thee; I bare the loss of it; of my hand didst thou require it, whether stolen by day, or stolen by night.

40. Thus I was; in the day the drought consumed me, and the frost by night; and my sleep departed from mine eyes.

41. Thus have I been twenty years in thy house;

I served thee fourteen years for thy two
daughters, and six years for thy cattle: and thou
hast changed my wages
ten times.

42. Except the God of my father, the God of

Abraham, and the fear of Isaac, had been with me,

surely thou hadst
sent me away now
empty. God hath

seen mine affliction and the labour of my hands, and

rebuked *thee* yesternight.

43. And Laban answered

and said unto Jacob,

These daughters

■ are my daughters,

■ and these children are

my children, and these cattle are

my cattle, and all

that thou seest is mine:

and what can I do this day unto these my daughters, or unto their children which they have born?

44. Now therefore come thou,

let us make a covenant, I and thou; and let it be for a witness between me and thee.

45 And Jacob took a stone, and set it up for a pillar.

46 And Jacob said unto his brethren.

■ Gather stones and

they took stones, and

made an heap; and they did eat there upon the heap.

47. And Laban called it Jegarsahadutha: but Jacob called it Galeed

48. And Laban said. This heap is a witness between me and thee this day. Therefore was the name of it called Galeed: 49. And Mizpah; for he said. The LORD watch between me and thee. when we are absent one from another. 50. If thou shalt afflict my daughters. or if thou shalt take other wives beside my daughters, no man is with us; see. God is witness betwixt me and thee. 51. And Laban said to Jacob, Behold this heap, and behold this pillar, which I have cast betwixt me and thee:

52. This heap be witness, and this pillar be witness, that I will not pass over this heap to thee, and that thou shalt not pass over this heap and this pillar unto me, for harm.

53. The God of Abraham. and the God of Nahor, the God of their father, judge betwixt us.

And Jacob sware by the fear of his father Isaac.

54. Then Jacob offered sacrifice upon the mount.

and called his brethren to eat bread: and they did eat bread, and tarried all night in the mount.

55. And early in the morning Laban rose up, and kissed his sons and his daughters, and blessed them:

and Laban departed, and returned unto his place.

CHAPTER 32

1. And Jacob went on his way. ■ and the angels

of God met him.

2. And when Jacob saw

them, he said. This is God's host and he called the name of

that place Mahanaim.

And Jacob sent messengers before him

to Esqu his brother unto the land of Seir, the country of Edom.

4 And he

commanded

them, saving. Thus shall ve speak unto my lord

Esqu; Thy servant

Jacob saith thus, I have sojourned with Laban.

and staved there until now:

5 And I have oxen and asses, flocks, and

menservants, and womenservants: and I have sent to tell my lord, that I may find

grace in thy sight.

6. And the messengers returned to Jacob.

saying, We

came to thy brother

Esau, and also

he cometh to meet thee. and four hundred men

with him.

7. **Then Jacob was** greatly afraid and distressed; and he

divided the

people that was with him,

and the

flocks, and herds, and the camels,

into two bands:

8. And said. If Esau come to the one company,

and smite it, then the

other company which is left shall escape.

9. And Jacob said. O God of my father Abraham, and God

of my father Isaac, the LORD which saidst unto

me, Return unto thy country, and to thy kindred,

and I will deal well with thee:

10. I am not worthy of the least of all the mercies, and of all the truth,

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which thou hast shewed unto thy servant: for with my staff I passed over this Jordan: and now I am become two bands.

11. **Deliver me,** I pray thee, from the hand of my

brother, from the hand of

Esqu: for I fear him

lest he will come and

smite me, and the

mother with the children. 12. And thou saidst, I will surely

do thee good, and make thy seed as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude.

13 And he lodged

there that same

niaht: and took of that which came to his hand

a present for Esau his brother:

14. Two hundred

she aoats, and twenty he goats, two

hundred ewes, and twenty rams.

15. Thirty milch

camels with their colts.

forty kine, and

ten bulls, twenty she

asses, and ten foals. 16. And he delivered them.

into the hand of his servants. every drove by themselves; and said unto his servants.

Pass over before me, and put a space belwixt drove and drove.

17. And he commanded the foremost, saving,

When Esau my brother meeteth thee, and

asketh thee, saving,

Whose art thou?

and whither goest thou?

and whose are these

before thee?

■ 18. Then thou shalt say.

They be thy servant

Jacob's, it is a present

sent unto my lord Esqu: and, behold.

also he is behind us.

19. And so commanded he the

second, and the third, and all

that followed the droves, saying. On this manner shall ve speak unto Esau, when ye find him.

20. And say ve

moreover, Behold, thy servant

Jacob *is* behind

us. For he said.

I will appease him with the present that goeth before me, and afterward I will see his face: peradventure he will accept of me.

21. So went the present over **before him**: and himself lodged that night in the company.

22. And he rose up

that night and took his two

WIVES and

his two women

servants, and his eleven sons, and passed

over the ford Jabbok.

23 And he took them.

and sent them over the

brook, and sent over that he had. 24. And Jacob was left alone: and there wrestled a man with him until the

breaking of the day.

25. And when he saw that

he prevailed not against him. he touched the hollow of

his thiah: and the hollow of

Jacob's thigh was out of ioint, as he wrestled with him.

26. And he said. Let me ao. for the day breaketh. And he said, I will not let thee go.

except thou bless me. And he said unto him.

What is thy name? And

he said, Jacob.

28. And he said, Thy name

shall be called no more Jacob, but Israel: for as a prince hast thou power with God and with men,

> and hast prevailed. 29. And Jacob

asked him, and said,

Tell me. I pray thee.

thy name. And he said,

Wherefore *is* it *that* thou dost ask after my name?

And he blessed him there.

- 30 And Jacob
- called the name of
- the place Peniel: for I have seen God face to
 - face, and my life is preserved. 31. And as he passed over Peniel the sun rose upon him. and he halted upon his thigh.
- 32. Therefore the children ■ of Israel eat not of the sinew which shrank.
- I which is upon the hollow of the thigh, unto this
- I day: because he touched the hollow of Jacob's thigh in the sinew that shrank.

CHAPTER 33

- I 1. And Jacob
 - lifted up his eyes, and
- looked, and, behold.
- **Esqu came.** and with him four hundred men. And he divided the children unto Leah, and unto Rachel. and unto the two handmaids.
 - 2. And he put the handmaids and their children foremost, and Leah and her children after, and Rachel and Joseph hindermost.
- 3. And he passed over before them, and
- bowed himself to the ground
- seven times, until he came
- near to his brother. 4. And Esau ran to meet him.
- and embraced
- him, and fell on his neck.
- and kissed him: and they wept.
- 5. And he lifted up his eyes, and
- saw the women and the children; and said, Who
- are those with thee?
- And he said, The children which God hath graciously
- given thy servant.
 - Then the handmaidens came. near, they and their children, and they bowed themselves.
 - 7. And Leah also with her children came near, and bowed themselves: and after came Joseph near and Rachel, and they bowed themselves.

- 8. And he said. What meanest thou by all
- this drove which I met?
- And he said. These are
- to find arace in the sight of my lord.
- And Esau said. I have enough, my brother; keep that thou hast unto thyself.
 - 10. And Jacob
- said. Nay, I pray thee,
- if now

- I have found grace in thy sight, then receive my present at my hand: for therefore I have seen thy face, as though I had seen the face of God, and thou wast pleased with me.
- 11. Take. I pray thee.
- my blessing that is brought to thee because
 - God hath dealt graciously with me, and because I have enough.
- And he urged him. and he took it.
- 12. And he said. Let us
 - take our journey, and let us go, and I will go before thee.
 - And he said unto him.
- MV lord knoweth that the
- children are tender.
- and the flocks and herds with vouna *are* with
- me: and if men should
- overdrive them one day,
- all the flock will die.
- 14. Let my lord, I pray thee,
- pass over before his
- servant: and I will lead on
- soffly, according as the cattle that goeth before me and the children be able to endure, until I come unto my lord unto Seir.
 - 15. And Esau said.
- Let me now

- leave with thee
- some of the folk
- that are with me. And he said, What needeth it? let me
 - find grace in the sight of my lord.
- 16. So Esqu
 - returned that day on his way
 - unto Seir.

- ■1 17. And Jacob journeved to Succoth, and built him an house, and made booths for his cattle: therefore the name of the place
- is called Succoth. 18 And Jacob came
- to Shalem, a city of

Shechem, which is

- in the land of .
- Canaan, when he
- came from Padanaram: and pitched his tent
 - before the city.
- 19. And he bought a parcel of a field, where he had spread his tent, at the hand of the children. of Hamor, Shechem's father
- for an hundred
- pieces of money.
- 20. And he erected there an
- altar, and called it El-elohe-Israel.

CHAPTER 34

- 1. And Dinah the daughter
- of Leah, which she bare unto
- Jacob, went out
- to see the daughters
- of the land.
- 2. And when Shechem the
- son of Hamor the Hivite.
- prince of the country.
- saw her, he took her,
- and lay with her, and
- defiled her.
- 3. And his soul clave unto Dinah the daughter of Jacob, and
- he loved the damsel, and spake kindly unto the damsel.
- 4 And Shechem spake unto his father Hamor, saving.
- Get me this damsel to wife.
- 5. And Jacob heard that he had defiled Dinah his daughter:
- now his sons were with his cattle in the field: and Jacob
- held his peace until they were come. And Hamor the
- father of Shechem went out unto Jacob to commune with him
- 7. And the sons of Jacob came out of the field

- when they heard it and the men were arieved.
- and they were very wroth. because he had wrought folly in Israel in lying with Jacob's daughter: which thing ought not to be done.
- 8. And Hamor
 - communed with them
- saying, The soul of
- my son Shechem
- longeth for your
 - daughter: I pray you give her him to wife.
- 9 And make ve
- marriages with us, and give your daughters unto us,

and take our daughters unto you.

10. And ve shall dwell with US: and the land shall be before you;

dwell and trade ve therein, and get you possessions therein.

- 11 And Shechem said unto her father and unto her brethren. Let me find grace in your eyes, and what ye shall say unto me I will give.
 - 12. Ask me never so much dowry and gift, and
- I will give according
- as ye shall say unto me:
- but give me the damsel to wife.
- 13. And the sons of
- Jacob answered Shechem and Hamor his father
- deceitfully, and said.
- because he
- had defiled Dinah
- their sister:
- And they said unto them, We cannot do this thing, to
- give our sister to one that is uncircumcised; for that

were a reproach unto us:

- 15. But in this will we consent unto vou:
- If ye will be as we be, that
- every male of you
- be circumcised;
- 16. Then will we give our daughters unto you, and
 - we will take your daughters to us,
 - and we will dwell with you, and we will become one people.

17. But if ve will not

hearken unto us, to

be circumcised: then

will we take our

dauahter, and we will be gone.

■ 18. And their words

pleased Hamor, and

Shechem Hamor's son.

19. And the young man deferred not to do the thing, because he had delight in Jacob's daughter; and he was more honourable than all the house of his father

20. And Hamor and **Shechem** his son came

unto the gate of their city, and

communed with the men of their city, saying,

21. These men are peaceable with us: therefore let them dwell in the land, and trade therein; for

the land, behold, it

is large enough for them: let us take their

dauahters to us for wives,

and let us

give them our daughters. 22. Only herein will the

men consent unto us for to dwell with us.

to be one people.

if every male among us

be circumcised, as they are circumcised.

> 23. Shall not their cattle and their substance and every beast of theirs be ours? only let us consent unto them, and they will dwell with us.

24. **And** unto Harnor and unto Shechem his son hearkened all that went out of the gate of his city; and

every male was

circumcised, all that went out of the gate of his city.

25. And it came to pass

on the third day.

when they were sore. that two of the sons of Jacob,

Simeon and Levi, Dinah's

brethren, took each man

his sword, and came upon the city boldly.

and slew all the males.

26. And they slew Hamor

and Shechem his son. with the edge of the sword

and took Dinah out of

Shechem's

house, and went out.

27. The sons of Jacob came upon the slain, and

spoiled the city, because they had defiled their sister.

28. They took their

sheep, and their

oxen, and their

asses, and that

which was in the city.

and that which was in the

field.

29. And all their

wealth, and all

their little ones, and their

WIVES took they captive, and spoiled even all that was in the house.

30. And Jacob said to

Simeon and Levi.

Ye have troubled me to make me to stink

among the inhabitants of the land, among

the Canaanites

and the Perizzites:

and I being few in number,

they shall gather themselves together against me,

and slay me; and I shall be destroyed. I and my house.

31. And they said, Should

he deal with our sister

as with an harlot?

CHAPTER 35

1. And God said unto

Jacob, Arise, go up

to Beth-el, and dwell there:

and make there

an altar unto God.

> that appeared unto thee when thou fleddest from the face of Esau thy brother.

2. Then Jacob said unto his household, and

to all that were

with him, Put away

the strange gods

53 that are among you, and be clean, and change your garments: 3. And let us arise, and **g0** up to Beth-el: and I will make there an altar unto God, who answered me in the day of my distress, and was with me in the way which I went. 4. And they gave unto Jacob all the strange gods which were in their hand. and all their earrings which were in their ears: and Jacob hid them under the oak which was by Shechem. 5. And they journeyed: and the terror of God was upon the cities that were round about them. and they did not **pursue** after the sons of Jacob. 6 So Jacob came to Luz which is in the land of Canaan, that is, Beth-el, he and all the people that were with him. And he built there an altar, and called the place El-beth-el: because there God appeared unto him, when he fled from the face of his brother 8. But Deborah Rebekah's nurse died, and she was buried beneath Beth-el under an oak: and the name of it was called Allonbachuth 9. And God appeared unto Jacob again, when he came out of Padan-aram. and blessed him.

10. And God said unto

called any more Jacob,

but Israel shall be thy name:

and he called his name Israel.

him. Thy name is Jacob: ■ thy name shall not be

11. And God said unto

him. I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply: a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins: 12. And the land which I gave Abraham and Isaac, to thee I will give it, and to thy seed after thee will I give the land. 13. And God went up from him in the place where he talked with him. 14. And Jacob set up a pillar in the place where he talked with him, even a pillar of stone: and he poured a drink offering thereon. and he poured oil thereon 15 And Jacob called the name of the place where God spake with him. Beth-el. 16. And they journeyed from Beth-el; and there was but a little way to come to Ephrath: and Rachel travailed, and she had hard labour. 17. **And** it came to pass, when she was in hard labour, that the midwife said unto her. Fear not: thou shalt have this son also. 18. And it came to pass. as her soul was in departing, (for she died) that she called his name Ben-oni: but his father called him Benjamin. 19 And Rachel died. and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Beth-lehem. 20. And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that is the pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day. 21. And Israel journeyed, and spread

his tent beyond the tower of Edar. 22. And it came to pass, when Israel dwelt in that land.

that Reuben went and lay with Bilhah his father's concubine: and Israel heard if Now the sons

of Jacob were twelve:

23. The sons of Leah; Reuben, Jacob's firstborn, and Simeon, and Levi, and Judah, and Issachar, and Zebulun:

24. The sons of Rachel; Joseph, and Benjamin:

25. And the sons of Bilhah, Rachel's handmaid; Dan, and Naphtali:

26. And the sons of Zilpah, Leah's handmaid: Gad, and Asher: these are the sons of Jacob, which were born to him in Padanaram

27. And Jacob came unto
 Isaac his father unto Mamre, unto the city of Arbah, which is Hebron, where Abraham and Isaac sojourned.
 28. And the days of Isaac were an hundred and fourscore years.

29. And Isaac gave up the ghost, and

died, and was gathered unto his people,

being old and full of days: and his sons Esau and Jacob buried him.

CHAPTER 36

- 1. Now these *are* the generations of Esau, who *is* Edom.
- 2. Esau took his wives of the daughters of Canaan; Adah the daughter of Elon the Hittite, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon the Hivite;
- 3. And Bashemath Ishmael's daughter, sister of Nebajoth.
- And Adah bare to Esau Eliphaz; and Bashemath bare Reuel;
- 5. And Aholibamah bare Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah: these *are* the sons of Esau, which were born unto him in the land of Canaan.
- 6. And Esau took
- his wives, and
- his sons, and his
- **daughters.** and all
- the persons of
- his house, and

his cattle, and all his beasts, and all his

■ substance, which he had got in the land of Canaan;

and went into the country

from the face of his brother
Jacob

■ 7. For their riches

were more than that they might dwell together; and

■ the land wherein they were strangers

■ **could** not

■ bear them

■ because of their cattle.

8. Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: Esau is Edom.

9. And these are the generations of Esau the father of the Edomites in mount Seir:

 These are the names of Esau's sons; Eliphaz the son of Adah the wife of Esau, Reuel the son of Bashemath the wife of Esau.

11. And the sons of Eliphaz were Teman, Omar, Zepho, and Gatam, and Kenaz.

12. And Timna was concubine to Eliphaz Esau's son; and she bare to Eliphaz Amalek: these were the sons of Adah Esau's wife.

13. And these are the sons of Reuel; Nahath, and Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah: these were the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

14. And these were the sons of Aholibamah, the daughter of Anah the daughter of Zibeon, Esau's wife: and she bare to Esau Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.

15. These were dukes of the sons of Esau: the sons of Eliphaz the firstborn son of Esau; duke Teman, duke Omar, duke Zepho, duke Kenaz, 16. Duke Korah, duke Gatam, and duke Amalek: these are the dukes that came of Eliphaz in the land of Edom; these were the sons of Adah. 17. And these are the sons of Reuel Esau's son; duke Nahath, duke Zerah, duke Shammah, duke Mizzah: these are the dukes that came of

Reuel in the land of Edom; these are

the sons of Bashemath Esau's wife.

18. And these are the sons of
Aholibamah Esau's wife; duke Jeush,
duke Jaalam, duke Korah: these were
the dukes that came of Aholibamah
the daughter of Anah, Esau's wife.

19. These *are* the sons of Esau, who *is* Edom, and these *are* their dukes.

20. These are the sons of Seir the Horite, who inhabited the land; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah,

21. And Dishon, and Ezer, and Dishan: these *are* the dukes of the Horites, the children of Seir in the land of Edom.

22. And the children of Lotan were Hori and Hemam; and Lotan's sister was Timna.

23. And the children of Shobal were these; Alvan, and Manahath, and Ebal. Shepho, and Onam.

24. And these are the children of Zibeon; both Ajah, and Anah: this

was that Anah that found the mules in the wilderness, as he fed the asses of Zibeon his father.

25. And the children of Anah were these; Dishon, and Aholibamah the daughter of Anah.

26. And these *are* the children of Dishon: Hemdan, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.

27. The children of Ezer are these; Bilhan, and Zaavan, and Akan.

28. The children of Dishan *are* these; Uz. and Aran.

29. These *are* the dukes *that came* of the Horites; duke Lotan, duke Shobal, duke Zibeon, duke Anah.

30. Duke Dishon, duke Ezer, duke Dishan: these are the dukes that came of Hori, among their dukes in the land of Seir.

31. And these *are* the kings that reigned in the land of Edom, before there reigned any king over the children of Israel.

32. And Bela the son of Beor reigned in Edom: and the name of his city was Dinhabah.

33. And Bela died, and Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.

34. And Jobab died, and Husham of the land of Temani reigned in his stead

35. And Husham died, and Hadad the son of Bedad, who smote Midian in the field of Moab, reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Avith.
36. And Hadad died, and Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.

Masrekan reigned in his stead.

37. And Samlah died, and Saul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.

38. And Saul died, and Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.

 And Baal-hanan the son of Achbor died, and Hadar reigned in his stead: and the name of his city was Pau:

and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.

40. And these are the names of the dukes that came of Esau, according to their families, after their places, by their names; duke Timnah, duke Alvah, duke Jetheth,

41. Duke Aholibamah, duke Elah, duke Pinon,

42. Duke Kenaz, duke Teman, duke Mibzar,

43. Duke Magdiel, duke Iram: these be the dukes of Edom, according to their habitations in the land of their possession: he is Esau the father of the Edomites

CHAPTER 37

 And Jacob dwelf in the land wherein his father was a stranger,

in the land of Canaan.

2. These are the

generations of Jacob.

Joseph, being

seventeen years old,was feeding the flock with

his brethren; and the lad was with the sons of Bilhah, and with the sons of Zilpah, his father's wives:

and Joseph brought untohis father their evil report.

Now Israel loved

■ Joseph more than all

his children, because he was the son of his old age: and he made him a coat of many colours. 4 And when his brethren saw that their father loved him more than all his brethren, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably unto him. 5. And Joseph dreamed a dream. and he told it his brethren: and they hated him yet the more. 6. And he said unto them, Hear. I pray you. this dream which I have dreamed: 7. For, behold, we were **■** binding sheaves in the field, and, lo, my sheaf arose, and also stood upright; and, behold, vour sheaves stood round about, and made obeisance to my sheaf. 8 And his brethren said to him. Shalt thou indeed reign over us? or shalt thou indeed have dominion over us? And they hated him yet the more for his dreams. and for his words. 9. And he dreamed vet another dream, and told it his brethren, and said. Behold. I have dreamed a dream more; and, behold, the sun and the moon and the eleven stars made obeisance to me. 10. And he told it to his father, and to his brethren; and his father rebuked him. and said unto him. What is this dream that thou hast dreamed? Shall I and thy mother and ■ I thy brethren indeed come to bow down ourselves to thee to the earth?

11. And his brethren

envied him; but his

56 father observed the saving. 12. And his brethren went to feed their father's flock in Shechem 13 And Israel said unto Joseph. Do not thy brethren feed the flock in Shechem? come. and I will send thee unto them. And he said to him. Here am I. And he said to him. Go. I pray thee. see whether it be well with thy brethren, and well with the flocks: and bring me word again. So he sent him out of the vale of Hebron. and he came to Shechem. 15 And a certain man found him. and, behold, he was wandering in the field: and the man **=** 1 asked him, saying, What seekest thou? 16. And he said, I seek my brethren: tell me, I pray thee, where they feed their flocks. 17. And the man said. They are departed hence; for I heard them say, Let us go to Dothan. And Joseph went after his brethren, and found them in Dothan. 18. And when they saw him afar off, even before he came near unto them. they conspired against him to slay him. 19. And they said one to another, Behold, this dreamer cometh. 20. Come now therefore, and let us slay him, and cast him into some pit, and we will say. Some evil beast hath devoured him; and we shall see what will become of his dreams. 21. And Reuben heard it, and he delivered him out of their hands; and said. Let us not kill him. 22. And Reuben said unto them. Shed no blood.

but cast him into this pit that is in the wilderness,

and lay no hand upon him: that he might rid him out of their hands, to

deliver him to his

father again.

23. And it came to pass, when Joseph was come unto his brethren, that

they stripped Joseph out of his coat of many colours that was on him:

24. And they took him, and

> cast him into a pit: and the pit was empty, there was no water in it.

25. And they sat

down to eat bread:

and they lifted up their eyes and

looked, and, behold, a company of Ishmeelites

came from Gilead

with their camels bearing spicery and balm and myrrh.

going to carry it down

to Egypt.

26. And Judah

said unto his brethren.

What profit is it if we slay our brother,

and conceal his blood?

27. Come. and

let us sell him to the

> Ishmeelites, and let not our hand be upon him; for he is our brother and our flesh. And his brethren were content.

28. Then there passed by Midianites merchantmen;

and they drew and lifted up Joseph out of the pit, and

sold Joseph to the Ishmeelites for twenty pieces of silver:

and they brought Joseph into Egypt. 29 And Reuben returned

unto the pit; and, behold, Joseph was not in the pit; and he rent his clothes.

> 30. And he returned unto his brethren, and said, The child is not; and I, whither shall I go?

31. And they took

■ Joseph's coat, and killed a kid of the goats

and dipped the coat

in the blood:

32. And they sent the coat of many colours, and they

brought it to their father: and said. This have we

found: know now whether it be thy son's coat or no.

33. And he knew it, and

said. *It is* my son's coat. an evil beast hath

• devoured him: Joseph is without doubt rent in pieces.

 And Jacob rent his clothes. and put sackcloth upon his loins, and mourned for his son

many days.

35 And all his sons and all his daughters rose up to comfort him; but he

refused to be

> comforted: and he said. For I will go down into the

grave unto my son

mourning. Thus his father wept for him.

36. And the Midianites

sold him into Eavat unto Potiphar, an

officer of Pharaoh's and captain of the

■ quard.

CHAPTER 38

 And it came to pass at that time, that

Judah went down

from his brethren, and

turned in to a certain Adullamite, whose

name was Hirah

And Judah saw there

a dauahter of a certain Canaanite, whose name was Shuah; and he took

her, and went in unto her.

And she conceived, and bare a son; and he called his name

4. And she conceived again, and bare a son; and she called his name

Onan.

5. And she yet again

GENESIS 38 Judah's Re	
	conceived, and bare
-	a son; and called his name
	Shelgh: and he was at Chezib.
-	when she bare him.
	6. And Judah took a
	wife for Er his firstborn.
П	whose name was Tamar.
	7. And Er, Judah's firstborn,
	was wicked in the
-	sight of the LORD:
	and the LORD slew him.
	8. And Judah said unto
	Onan, Go in unto thy
П	brother's wife, and
	marry her, and raise
	up seed to thy brother.
	And Onan knew that the
	seed should not be his;
	and it came to pass.
	when he went in unto
-	his brother's wife, that
	he spilled it on the ground,
	lest that he should give
	seed to his brother.
	10. And the thing which he did
	displeased the LORD:
	wherefore he slew
	him also.
	11. Then said Judah to
	Tamar his daughter in law,
	Remain a widow at thy
	father's house, till Shelah
	my son be grown: for he
l	said, Lest peradventure he die
l	also, as his brethren did.
	And Tamar went and dwelt
	in her father's house.
	12. And in process of time
	the daughter of Shuah
	Judah's wife died; and
	Judah was comforted, and

went up unto his

sheepshearers to Timnath.

he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite.

saving. Behold thy father in law goeth

13. And it was told Tamar.

up to Timnath to shear his sheep.

14. And she put her widow's

garments off from her,

and covered her with

a veil, and wrapped herself, and sat in an open place,

which is by the way to Timnath;

15. When Judah saw her, he thought her to be an harlot: because she had covered her face. 16. And he turned unto her by the way, and said. Go to, I pray thee, let me come in unto thee: (for he knew not that she was his daughter in law.) And she said, What wilt thou give me, that thou mayest come in unto me? 17. And he said. I will send thee a kid from the flock. And she said. Wilt thou give *me* a pledge, till thou send it? 18. And he said. What pledge shall I give thee? And she said. Thy signet, and thy bracelets, and thy staff that is in thine hand. And he gave it her, and came in unto her, and she conceived by him. And she grose, and went away, and laid by her vail from her, and put on the garments of her widowhood. 20. And Judah sent the kid by the hand of his friend the Adullamite. to receive *his* pledge from the woman's hand: but he found her not. 21. Then he asked the men of that place, saying, Where is the harlot, that was openly by the way side? And they said, There was no harlot in this place. 22. And he returned to Judah. and said. I cannot find her: and also the men of the place said. that there was no harlot in this place. 23. And Judah said. Let her take it to her, lest we be shamed: behold. I sent this kid. and thou hast not found her.

for she saw that Shelah was grown, and she was not given unto him to wife.

24 And it came to pass about three months after, that it was told Judah, saying. Tamar thy daughter in law hath played the harlot: and also behold she is with child by whoredom. And Judah said. Bring her forth, and let her be burnt. 25 When she was brought forth, she sent to her father in law, saying, By the man, whose these are, am I with child; and she said, Discern, I pray thee, whose are these. ■ the signet, and bracelets, and staff. 26. And Judah acknowledged them, and said. She hath been more righteous than I: because that I gave her not to Shelah my son. And he knew her again no more. 27. **And** it came to pass in the time of her travail, that, behold, twins were in her womb. 28. And it came to pass. when she travailed, that the one put out his hand: and the midwife took and bound upon his hand a scarlet thread, saying, This came out first

29. And it came to pass.

hand that behold

and she said. How hast

thou broken forth? this

therefore his name

was called Pharez

came out his brother.

that had the scarlet

thread upon his hand-

and his name was

called Zarah

30. And afterward

breach be upon thee:

as he drew back his

his brother came out:

GENESIS 39 CHAPTER 39 1 And Joseph was brought down to Egypt: and Potiphar, an officer of Pharaoh. captain of the guard, an Egyptian, bought him of the hands of the Ishmeelites, which had brought him down thither. 2 And the LORD was with Joseph, and he was a prosperous man; and he was in the house of his master the Egyptian. And his master saw that the LORD was with him. and that the LOBD made all that he did to prosper in his hand. 4. And Joseph found grace in his sight, and he served him: and he made him overseer over his house, and all that he had he put into his hand. 5. **And** it came to pass from the time that he had made him overseer in his house, and over all that he had, that the LORD blessed the Egyptian's house for Joseph's sake; and the blessing of the LORD was upon all that he had in the house, and in the field. And he left all that he had in. Joseph's hand; and he knew not ought he had, save the bread which he did eat. And Joseph was a goodly person, and well favoured. And it came to pass after. these things, that his master's wife cast her eyes upon Joseph; and she

said. Lie with me.

But he refused, and

said unto his master's wife, Behold, my master wotteth not what is

with me in the house, and he

hath committed

all that he hath to my hand;

> 9. There is none greater in this house than I: neither hath he kept back any thing from me but thee, because

thou art his wife: how then can I do this great wickedness, and sin against God? 10. And it came to pass, as

she spake to Joseph day by day, that he hearkened not

unto her, to lie by her, or

to be with her.

11. And it came to pass about this time, that

Joseph went into the house to do his business: and there was none of

the men of the house

there within

12. And she caught him by his garment, saying, Lie with me: and he left his garment in her hand.

and fled, and got him out. 13. And it came to pass.

when she saw that he had left his garment in her hand, and was fled forth. 14. That she called

unto the men of her house, and spake unto them. saying, See, he hath brought in an

Hebrew unto us to mock us: he came in unto me to

lie with me, and I cried with a loud voice:

15. And it came to pass. when he heard that I lifted

up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me. and fled, and got him out.

16. And she laid up his garment by her,

until his lord came home.

17. **And she spake** unto him according to these words. saying, The Hebrew servant. which thou hast brought unto us,

came in unto me to

mock me:

18. And it came to pass, as I lifted up my voice and cried, that he left his garment with me, and fled out. 19. And it came to pass.

when his master heard the words of his wife, which she spake unto him, saying, After this manner did thy servant to me that his wrath was kindled.

20. And Joseph's master took him, and

put him into the prison, a place where the king's prisoners were bound: and he was there in the prison.

21. But the LORD was with

Joseph, and shewed him mercy. and gave him favour in

the sight of the keeper

of the prison.

22. And the keeper of the prison committed to Joseph's hand all the

Drisoners that were in the prison; and whatsoever they did there, he was the doer of it. 23. The keeper of the prison looked

not to any thing that was under his hand; because the LORD was with him, and that which he did. the LORD made it to prosper.

CHAPTER 40

1. **And** it came to pass after these things, that

the butler of the king of Eaypt and his baker

had offended their lord

the king of Egypt.

2. And Pharaoh was wroth against two of his officers, against the chief of the butlers, and against the chief of the bakers.

And he put them in ward in the house of the captain of the guard,

into the prison, the place where Joseph was bound.

4. And the captain of the guard charged Joseph with them, and he served them; and they continued a season in ward.

5. And they dreamed

a dream both of them.

each man his dream

in one night, each man according to the interpretation of his dream, the butler and the baker of the king of Egypt, which were bound in the prison.

6. And Joseph

came in unto them

■ I in the morning, and

looked upon them, and, behold,

■ they were sad.

 And he asked Pharaoh's officers that were with him in the ward of his lord's house, saying,

■ Wherefore look ye so ■ sadly to-day?

8. And they said unto him.

We have dreamed a dream, and there is no

interpreter of it. And

Joseph said unto them,

Do not interpretations

■ belong to God? tell

■ me them, I pray you.

9. And the chief butler told his dream to Joseph, and said to him.

■ In my dream, behold,

a vine was before me;

■ 10 And in the vine were three branches: and it

was as though it

■ budded, and her

blossoms shot forth; and the clusters thereof brought forth

ripe grapes:

ii. And Pharaoh's cup was in my hand: and I took the grapes, and pressed

■ **Ihem** into Pharaoh's cup,

and

gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand.

12. **And Joseph said** unto him, This *is* the interpretation of it:

The three branches are three days:

■ 13. Yet within three days shall Pharach

lift up thine head, and

restore thee unto thy place:

and thou shalt deliver Pharaoh's cup into his hand, after the former manner when thou wast his butter.

14. But think on me when it shall be well with thee, and shew kindness. I pray thee, unto
 me and make mention of me

me, and make mention of me unto Pharaoh, and bring me out of this house:

15. For indeed I was stolen away out

of the land of the Hebrews: and here also have I done nothing that they should put me into the dungeon.

16. When the chief baker saw that the interpretation was good, he said

unto Joseph, I also was

in my dream, and, behold,

I had three white basketson my head:

■ 17. And in the

uppermost basket

there was of all manner of

bakemeats for Pharaoh: and the

birds did eat them out

of the basket upon my head.

18. And Joseph answered and said, This is the interpretation thereof:

The three baskets are three days:

■ 19. Yet within three days

shall Pharaoh lift up thy head from off thee.

and shall

hang thee on a tree;
and the birds shall
eat thy flesh from off thee.

20. And it came to pass

■ the third day, which was

Pharaoh's birthday, that he made a feast

unto all his servants: and he lifted up the head of the chief butler and of the chief baker among his servants.

21. And he restored the chief butler unto his butlership again; and he gave the cup into Pharaoh's hand:

22. But he hanged the chief baker: as Joseph

had interpreted to them.

23. Yet did not the

chief butler remember

■ Joseph, but forgat him.

CHAPTER 41

1. And it came to pass at the end of two full

years, that

■ Pharaoh dreamed:

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and, behold.

he stood by the river.

2. And, behold.

there came up

out of the river seven well favoured kine and

fatfleshed; and they

fed in a meadow.

And, behold.

seven other kine came

up after them out of the river.

ill favoured and

leanfleshed; and stood by the other kine upon the brink of the river.

4 And the ill

favoured and leanfleshed kine

did eat up

the seven well favoured and fat kine. So Pharaoh awoke.

5. And he slept and

dreamed the second

time: and behold.

seven ears of corn came up upon one stalk, rank and good.

6. And, behold.

seven thin ears and blasted with the east wind

sprung up after them.

7. And the seven thin ears devoured the seven rank and

full ears. And

Pharaoh awoke. and, behold, it was a dream.

8. And it came to pass

in the morning that

his spirit was troubled: and he sent and

called for all

the magicians of Egypt.

and all

the wise men thereof:

and Pharaoh

told them his dream;

but there was

none that

could interpret them unto Pharaoh.

9. Then spake the chief

■ **butler** unto Pharaoh.

■ saying, I do remember

my faults this day:

■ 10. Pharaoh was wroth with his servants, and put me in

ward in the captain of

the quard's house. m i both me and the

chief baker:

 And we dreamed a dream. in one night, I and he; we dreamed each man according to the interpretation of his dream

12 And there was there

with us a young man.

an Hebrew, servant to the captain of the quard; and we told him,

and he interpreted to us our dreams: to each man according to his dream he

did interpret.

13. And it came to pass,

as he interpreted to us. SO if WQS: me he restored unto mine office, and him he hanged.

14. Then Pharaoh sent and called Joseph, and they brought him hastily out of the dungeon; and he shaved himself. and changed his raiment, and came in unto Pharaoh.

15. And Pharaoh

said unto Joseph.

I have dreamed a dream.

and there is

none that

can interpret it: and I

have heard say of thee, that thou canst understand a dream to

interpret it.

16. And Joseph

answered Pharaoh, saying,

It is not in

me: God shall give Pharaoh an answer of peace.

17. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph, In my dream, behold, I stood upon the bank of the river:

18. And, behold, there came up out of the river seven kine, fatfleshed and well favoured; and they fed in a meadow:

19. And, behold, seven other kine came up after them, poor and very ill favoured and leanfleshed, such as I never saw in all the land of Egypt for badness:

20. And the lean and the ill

favoured kine did eat up the first seven fat kine:

21. And when they had eaten them up, it could not be known that they had eaten them; but they were still ill favoured, as at the beginning. So I awoke. 22. And I saw in my dream, and,

behold, seven ears came up in one stalk, full and good:

23. And, behold, seven ears, withered, thin, and blasted with the east wind, sprung up after them; 24. And the thin ears devoured the

seven good ears: and I told this unto the magicians; but there was none that could declare it to me.

25. And Joseph said unto Pharaoh. The dream of Pharaoh is one:

God hath shewed Pharaoh

what he is about to do. 26. The seven good kine are seven years; and the

seven good ears are seven years: the dream is one.

27. And the seven thin and ill favoured kine that came up after them are seven years;

and the seven empty

EQIS blasted with the east wind shall be seven years

of famine.

28. This is the thing which I have spoken unto Pharaoh: What God is about to do he sheweth unto Pharaoh

29. Behold, there come seven years of great plenty throughout all the land of Egypt:

30. And there shall arise

after them seven years of

famine; and all the plenty shall be forgotten in the land of Egypt:

and the famine shall consume the land:

31. And the plenty shall not be known in the land by reason of that famine following;

for it shall be very grievous.

> 32. And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice:

it is because the thing is established by God.

and God will shortly bring it to pass.

33. **Now** therefore

let Pharaoh look out a man discreet and wise, and set him over the land of Egypt.

34. Let Pharaoh do this.

and let him appoint

officers over the land.

and take up

the fifth part of the land of Egypt in the seven plenteous years. 35. And let them gather

all the food of those good years that come, and lay up corn under the hand of Pharaoh, and let them keep food in the cities.

36. And that food shall be for store to the land against the seven years of famine, which shall be in the land of Egypt; that the land perish not through the famine.

37. And the thing was good in the eyes of Pharaoh. and in the eves of all his servants.

38 And Pharach said unto his servants. Can we find such a one as this is, a man . in whom the Spirit

of God is? 39. And Pharach said unto Joseph, Forasmuch as God hath shewed thee all this.

there is none so discreet and wise as thou art:

40. Thou shalt be over my house, and according unto thy word 6 shall all my people be ruled: only in the throne will I be greater than thou.

41. And Pharaoh said unto Joseph.

See. I have set thee over all the land of Eaypt.

42. And Pharaoh took off his ring from his hand.

and put it upon

Joseph's hand, and

arrayed him in vestures of

fine linen, and put a gold
 chain about his neck;
 43. And he made him to ride
 in the second chariot which

he had; and they cried before him, Bow the knee: and he made him ruler over all the land of Egypt.

44. And Pharaoh said unto
Joseph, I am Pharaoh, and
without thee shall no
man lift up his hand or
foot in all the land of Egypt.

45. And Pharaoh

called Joseph's name
 Zaphnath-paaneah; and he
 gave him to wife Asenath

the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On. And Joseph went out over all the land of Egypt.

46. And Joseph was thirty years old when he stood before Pharaoh king of Egypt.
 And Joseph went out from the presence of Pharaoh,

■ and went

throughout all the land of Egypt.

47. And in the seven plenteous years the earth brought forth by handfuls.

48. And he gathered up all the food of the seven

Years, which were in the land of Egypt, and laid up the food in the cities: the food of the field, which was round about every city, laid he up in the same.

49. And Joseph gathered
 corn as the sand of the
 sea, very much, until he left

Sea, very much, until he left numbering; for it was

■ without number.

 50. And unto Joseph were born two sons before the years of famine came, which Asenath the daughter of Poti-pherah priest of On bare unto him.

■ 51. And Joseph called the name of the firstborn

Manasseh: For God, said he, hath made me forget all my toil, and all my father's house.

52. And the name of the

second called he Ephraim:

For God hath caused me to be fruitful in the land of my affliction.

53. And the seven years of plenteousness, that was in the land of Egypt, were ended.

54. And the seven years
 of dearth began to come,
 according as Joseph had said:

and the dearth was in all lands; but in all the land of Egypt there was bread.

55. And when all the land of

Egypt was famished,
the people cried to

Pharaoh for bread:and Pharaoh said

unto all the Egyptians,

Go unto Joseph:

what he saith to you,

56. And the famine was over all the face of the earth:

and Joseph opened all the storehouses, and sold unto the Egyptians; and the famine waxed sore in the land of Egypt

unto the Egyptians; and the famir waxed sore in the land of Egypt.

57. And all countries

came into Egypt to Joseph 1

came into Egypt to Joseph for to buy corn; because that the famine was so sore in all lands.

CHAPTER 42

1. Now when Jacob sawthat there was corn in

■ Egypt, Jacob said unto his sons, Why do ye look one upon another?

And he said, Behold, I have heard that there is corn in Egypt:

get you down thither, and
 buy for us from thence; that we may live, and not die.

■ 3 And Joseph's ten

■ | brethren went down

■ to buy corn in Equpt.

4. But Benjamin,
Joseph's brother.

Jacob sent not with his brethren; for he said.

■ Lest peradventure

mischief befall him.

5. And the sons of Israel came to buy corn among those that came: for the famine was in the land of Canaan. 6. And Joseph was the governor over the land, and he it was that sold to all the people of the land:

and Joseph's brethren came, and bowed down

themselves before him

with their faces to the earth.

7. And Joseph saw his

brethren, and he knew them.

but made himself strange unto them,

and spake roughly unto them;

and he said unto them

Whence come ye? And

they said. From the land of Canaan to buy food.

8. And Joseph knew his brethren, but they

knew not him.

And Joseph remembered. the dreams which he dreamed of them, and

said unto them. Ye

are spies; to see the nakedness of the land ye are come.

10. And they said unto him.

Nav. my lord.

but to buy food are thy servants come.

11. We are all one man's sons: we are true men, thy servants are no spies.

12. And he said unto them, Nay, but to see the nakedness of the land ve are come.

13. And they said.

Thy servants are twelve

brethren, the sons of one man in the land of Canaan:

and, behold.

the youngest is this day with our father, and one is not.

14. And Joseph said unto them. That is it that I spake unto you, saying, Ye are spies:

■ 15. Hereby ye shall be proved: By the life of Pharaoh ■ ye shall not go forth hence. except your youngest

brother come hither

16. Send one of you. and let him fetch

> your brother, and ve shall be kept in prison, that your words may be proved, whether there be any truth in you; or else by the life of Pharaoh surely ve are spies.

17. And he put them all together into ward three days.

> 18. And Joseph said unto them the third day.

This do, and live; for I fear God:

19. If ye be true men, let one of your brethren be bound in the house of your prison: go ye, carry corn for the famine of

vour houses:

20. But bring your youngest 8 brother unto me; so shall your

words be verified, and ve shall not die. And they did so.

21. **And they**

said one to another.

We are verily

guilty concerning our

brother, in that we saw the anguish of his soul.

when he besought us, and we would not hear:

therefore is this distress come upon us.

22. And Reuben

answered them, saving, Spake I not unto you,

saying, Do not sin against

the child; and ye would not hear? therefore, behold, also

his blood is required.

23. And they knew not

that Joseph understood them; for he spake

unto them

by an interpreter.

24 And he furned himself about from them.

and wept; and returned to them again, and communed with them.

and took from them

Simeon, and bound him before their eyes.

25. Then Joseph

commanded to fill their sacks

with corn, and to restore every man's money into his sack, and to give them provision for the way: and thus did he unto them.

26. And they laded their asses with the corn, and

■ departed thence.

27. And as one of them opened his sack to give

his ass provender in the inn,

he espied his money; for, behold, it was in his sack's mouth.

28. And he said unto his brethren.

My money is restored;

and, lo, it is even in my sack: and their heart failed them,

and they were afraid, saying one to another, What is this that God hath done unto us?

29. And they came unto

Jacob their father unto the land of Canaan,

and told him all

that befell unto them; saying,

30. The man, who is

■ the lord of the land, spake roughly to us, and

spake roughly to us, and took us for spies of the country.

31. **And we said** unto him, We are true men; we are no spies:

32. We be twelve brethren, sons of our father; one is not, and the youngest is this day with our father in the land of Canaan.

■ 33. **And** the man,

■ the lord of the country,

said unto us, Hereby shall I know that ye are true men;

■ leave one of your

brethren here with me, and take food for the famine of your households, and be gone:

■ 34. And bring your

youngest brother unto me:

then shall I know that ye are true

men: so will I deliver you your brother, and ye shall traffick in the land.

■ 35. **And** it came to pass

as they emptied

I their sacks, that, behold.

every man's bundle of money was in his sack:

and when both they and their father saw the bundles of money,

■ they were afraid.

■ 36. And Jacob their father

said unto them, Me have ye bereaved of my children:

■ Joseph *is* not, and Simeon *is* not, and ye will take

Benjamin away: all these things are against me.

37. And Reuben spake unto his father, saying.

Slay my two sons, if I bring him not to thee: deliver

him into my hand, and I will bring him

■ to thee again.

38. And he said, My son shall not go down with you; for his brother is

dead, and he is left alone:

if mischief befall him

by the way in the which ye go, then shall ye bring

down my gray hairs with

sorrow to the grave.

CHAPTER 43

1. And the famine was sore in the land.

2. And it came to pass,

when they had eaten up the corn which they

had brought out of Egypt,

their father said unto them.

■ Go again,

buy us a little

■ food.

3. And Judah spake unto him, saying,

The man did solemnly

■ profest unto us,

saying, Ye shall not see my face, except your

■ brother *be* with you.

■ 4. If thou wilt send

our brother with us,

we will go down and buy thee food:

5. But if thou wilt not send him, we will not go down: for the man

said unto us. Ye shall not see my face, except your brother be with you.

6. And Israel said.

Wherefore dealt ve so ill with me, as to tell the man

whether ve had vet a brother? 7. And they said, The man asked us straitly of our state, and of our kindred, saving, Is your father yet alive? have ye another brother? and we told him according to the tenor of these words; could we certainly know that he would say. Bring your brother down?

8 And Judah said unto Israel his father

Send the lad with me. and we will arise and go:

that we may live, and not die both we and thou. and also our little ones.

9. I will be surety for him: of my hand shalt thou require him: if I bring him not unto thee.

and set him before thee, then

let me bear the

blame for ever:

10. For except we had lingered, surely now we had returned this second time.

11 And their father

Israel said unto them

If it must be so now, do this: take of the best fruits in the land in your vessels, and

Carry down

the man a present, a little balm, and a little honey, spices. and myrrh, nuts, and almonds:

12. And take double money in your hand; and the money that was brought again in the mouth of your sacks, carry it again in your hand: peradventure it was an oversight:

13. Take also your brother. and arise, go again unto the man:

14. And God Almighty

give you mercy before the man, that he may send away your other brother, and Benjamin. If I be bereaved of my children, I am bereaved.

15. And the men took that

present, and they took double money in their hand and Benjamin; and rose up, and went down

to Equpt, and stood before Joseph.

16. And when Joseph saw Benjamin with them.

he said to the ruler of his house.

Bring these men home. and slav, and make ready:

tor these men shall

dine with me at noon

17. And the man did as Joseph bade; and the man brought the men into Joseph's house.

18 And the men were afraid, because they were brought into Joseph's house; and they said, Because of the money that was returned in our sacks at the first time are we brought in: that he may seek occasion against us, and fall upon us, and take us for bondmen, and our asses.

19. And they came . near to the steward of Joseph's house, and they communed with him at the

door of the house. 20. And said, O sir, we came indeed down at the first time to buy food:

21. And it came to pass, when we came to the inn, that we opened our sacks, and, behold, every man's money was in the mouth of his sack, our money in full weight: and we have brought it again in our hand.

22. And other money have we brought down in our hands to buy food: we cannot tell who put our money in our sacks.

23. And he said, Peace be to you, fear not: your God, and the God of your father, hath given you treasure in your sacks: I had your money. And he brought Simeon out unto them.

24. And the man brought the men into Joseph's house, and gave them water, and they washed their feet; and he gave their asses provender.

25. And they made ready

the present against Joseph

came at noon: for they heard that they should eat bread there.

■ 26. And when Joseph came home, they brought him

home, they brought him
 the present which was in
 their hand into the house

and bowed themselves to him to the earth.

27. And he asked them of their welfare, and said,

Is your father well, the old man of whom ye spake? Is he yet alive?

28. And they

answered, Thy servantour father is in good health,

he is yet alive. And they bowed down their heads, and made obeisance.

29. And he lifted up his eyes, and

saw his brother

Benjamin, his mother's son,

and said, Is this your
 younger brother, of whom ye
 spake unto me? And he said, God be
 gracious unto thee, my son.

■ 30. And Joseph made ■ haste: for his bowels did

yearn upon his brother:

and he sought where to weep;

and he entered into his chamber, and

■ wept there.

31. And he washed his face, and went out, and refrained himself, and said. Set on bread.

32. And they set on for

him by himself, and for them by themselves, and for the Egyptians, which did eat with him, by themselves:

because the Egyptians
 might not eat bread with the

Hebrews; for that is an abomination unto the Egyptians.

33. And they sat before him, the firstborn

according to his birthright,

and the youngest according to his youth: and the men marvelled one at another.

■ 34. And he took and

■ sent messes unto

them from before him:

■ but Benjamin's mess

was five times so much as any of theirs. And they drank, and were merry with him.

CHAPTER 44

1. And he commanded

the steward of his house,

saying, Fill the men's sacks with food, as much as they can carry.

and put every man's

money in his sack's mouth.

2. And put my cup, the

silver cup, in the sack's mouth of the youngest,

and his corn money.

And he did according to the word that Joseph had spoken.

3. As soon as the morning was light, the men were sent away,

they and their asses.

4. And when they were gone out of the city, and not yet far off,

■ Joseph said unto ■ his steward. Up.

■ his steward, Up,
■ follow after the men; and

when thou dost overtake them,

Say unto them,

■ Wherefore have ye rewarded evil for good?

 Is not this it in which my lord drinketh, and whereby indeed he divineth? ye have done evil in so doing.

■ 6. And he overtook

them, and he

■ spake unto them

■ these same

■ words.

7. And they said unto him, Wherefore saith my lord these words?

■ God forbid that thy

servants should do

according to this thing:
8. Behold, the money, which

we found in our sacks' mouths,

■ we brought again unto

thee out of the land of Canaan:

how then should we steal out of thy lord's house silver or gold?

9. With whomsoever of thy servants it be found, both

let him die, and we also

will be my lord's bondmen

10. And he said, Now also *let* it be according unto your words: he with whom it is found shall be my servant; and ye shall be blameless.

11. **Then they** speedily took down every man his sack to the ground, and

opened every man his sack.

12. And he searched, and began at the eldest, and left at the voungest:

and the cup was found in Benjamin's sack.

13. Then they rent their clothes, and laded every man his ass, and returned to the city.

14. And Judah and his brethren came to Joseph's house;
 for he was yet there: and they

fell before him on the ground. 15. **And Joseph**

said unto them.
What deed is this that ye

have done? wot ye not that such a man as I can certainly divine?

16. And Judah said,
 What shall we say unto my lord? what shall we speak? or how shall we clear ourselves?
 God hath found out

the iniquity of thy servants: behold

we are my lord's servants, both we, and he also with whom the cup is found

17. And he said, God forbid that I should do so:

but the man in whose hand
 the cup is found, he shall
 be my servant; and as for your

be my servant; and as for you, get you up in peace unto your father.

18. **Then Judah** came

■ 18. **Then Judah** near unto him, and

said, Oh

my lord, let thy servant, I pray thee.

speak a word in my lord's ears, and let not thine anger burn against thy servant: for thou art even as Pharaoh

19. My lord asked

his servants, saying,

Have ye a father, or a brother?

or a brother?

20. And we said unto my lord.

20. And we said unto my lord.We have a father, an old man,

and a child of his old age, a little one:

and his brother is

dead, and he alone is left of his mother, and his father loveth him.

21. And thou

saidst unto thy servants,

Bring him down

unto me, that I may set mine eyes upon him.

22. And we said unto my lord, The lad cannot leave his

father: for if he should leave his father, his father would die.

23. And thou

saidst unto thy servants.

Except your youngestbrother come down with you,

ye shall see my

■ 24. **And** it came to pass

when we came up

unto thy servant

my father, we told him the words of my lord.

25. And our father said. Go again, and

buy us a little

■ 26. And we

said, We cannot go down:

if our youngest brother
be with us, then will we

go down: for we may not see the man's face, except our youngest brother *be* with us.

27. And thy servant my father said

unto us, Ye know that

my wife bare me two sons:

two sons:
28. And the one went out

from me, and I said, Surely he is torn in pieces: and I

is forn in pieces; and saw him not since:

29. And if ye take this also from me, and mischief befall him, ye shall bring down

my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave. ■ 30. Now therefore when ■ I come to thy servant my father, and the lad be not with us; seeing that his life is bound up in the lad's life;

31. It shall come to

DGSS, when he seeth that the lad is not with us.

that he will die: and thy servants shall bring down the gray hairs of thy servant our father with sorrow to the grave.

32. For thy servant ■ became surety for the

lad unto my father, saving,

If I bring him not unto thee, then I shall bear the blame

to my father for ever.

33. Now therefore, I pray thee, let thy servant abide

instead of the lad a bondman to my lord; and let the lad go up with his brethren.

34. For how shall I go up to my father, and the lad be not with me? lest peradventure I see the evil that shall come on my father.

CHAPTER 45

■ 1 1. Then Joseph could not refrain himself before all them that stood by him:

and he cried, Cause every

man to go out from me. And there stood no man with him. while Joseph made himself

known unto his brethren.

And he wept aloud: and the Egyptians and the house of Pharaoh heard.

And Joseph said unto his brethren, I am Joseph; doth my father vet live? And his brethren could not answer him; for they were troubled at his presence.

4. And Joseph said unto his brethren, Come near to me, I pray you. And they came near. And he said.

I am Joseph your brother, whom ye sold into Egypt.

5. Now therefore

be not grieved. nor angry with yourselves.

that ye sold me hither: for God did send me before you to preserve life.

6. For these two years hath the famine been in the land: and yet there are five years, in the which there shall neither be earing nor harvest.

God sent me before you to preserve you a posterity in the earth.

and to save your lives by a great deliverance.

So now

it was not you that sent me hither.

but God: and he hath

made me a father to Pharaoh. and lord of all his house, and

a ruler throughout all the land of

Egypt.

9. Haste ye, and

go up to my father, and

say unto him, Thus saith

thy son Joseph, God hath made me

lord of all Egypt: come

down unto me, tarry not:

10. And thou shalt dwell in the land of

Goshen, and thou shalt

be near unto me, thou, and thy children, and thy children's children, and thy flocks, and thy

herds, and all that thou hast:

11. And there will I nourish thee; for yet there are five years of famine; lest thou, and thy

> household, and all that thou hast, come to poverty.

12. And, behold, your eyes see, and the eyes of my brother Benjamin, that it is my mouth that speaketh unto you.

13. And ye shall tell my father of all my glory in

Egypt, and of all that ye have seen; and ye shall haste and

bring down my father hither. 14. And he fell upon his brother

Benjamin's neck, and wept:

and Benjamin wept upon his neck.

15. Moreover he kissed all his brethren, and wept upon them: and after that his brethren talked with him.

16. And the fame thereof was heard in Pharaoh's house, saying, Joseph's

brethren are come:

and it pleased Pharaoh well, and his servants.

17. And Pharaoh said
 unto Joseph, Say unto
 thy brethren, This do ye;

lade your beasts, and

go, get you

■ unto the land of

■ | Canaan;

18. And take your father and your households.

and come unto me:

and I will give you the good of the land of Egypt, and ye shall

eat the fat of the land.

19. Now thou art commanded, this do ye; take you wagons out of the land of Egypt for your little ones, and for your wives, and bring your father, and come.

20. Also regard not your stuff; for the good of all the land of Egypt is your's.

21. And the children of Israel did so: and Joseph gave them wagons, according to the commandment of Pharaoh, and gave them provision for the way.

22. To all of them he gave each man changes of raiment; but to Benjamin he gave three hundred *pieces* of silver, and five changes of raiment.

23. And to his father he sent after this manner; ten asses laden with the good things of Egypt, and ten she asses laden with corn and bread and meat for his father by the way.

24. So he sent his brethren
 away, and they departed: and he said unto them. See that ye fall not out by the way.

25. **And they** went up out of Egypt, and

came into the land of Canaan

unto Jacob their father,

■ 26. And told him, ■ saying, Joseph is

yet alive, and he is

governor over all the land

of Egypt. And Jacob's heart fainted, for he believed them not.

27. And they told him all the words of Joseph, which he had said unto them: and

had said unto them: and when he saw the

wagons which Joseph had sent to carry him, the spirit of

■ Jacob their father

■ revived:

28. And Israel

■ **said**, *It is* enough; Joseph

my son is yet alive:

■ I will go and

see him before I die.

CHAPTER 46

1. And Israel took his journey with all that he had,

and came to Beer-sheba,
 and offered

sacrifices unto the

God of his father Isaac.

God of his father Isaac.

2. And God spake unto

■ Israel in the visions of the night, and said, Jacob, Jacob, And he said, Here am I.

3. And he said, I am God, the God of thy father:

■ fear not to go down

into Egypt; for I will there

make of thee a great nation:

4. I will go down with thee into Egypt;

 and I will also surely bring thee up again: and Joseph shall put his hand upon thine eyes.

5. And Jacob rose up from Beer-sheba:

and the sons of Israel carried Jacob their father, and their little ones, and their wives, in the wagons which Pharaoh had sent to carry him.

6. And they took their cattle, and their goods, which they had gotten in the land of Canaan, and

■ came into Egypt, Jacob,

and all his seed with him:

- His sons, and his sons' sons with him, his daughters, and his sons' daughters, and all his seed brought he with him into Egypt.
- And these are the names of the children of Israel, which came into Egypt, Jacob and his sons: Reuben, Jacob's firstborn.
- And the sons of Reuben; Hanoch, and Phallu, and Hezron, and Carmi.
- And the sons of Simeon; Jemuel, and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin, and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman.
- 11. And the sons of Levi;
- Gershon, Kohath, and Merari.

 12. And the sons of Judah; Er, and Onan, and Shelah, and Pharez, and Zarah; but Er and Onan died in the
- Zarah: but Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan. And the sons of Pharez were Hezron and Hamul.
- 13. And the sons of Issachar; Tola, and Phuvah, and Job, and Shimron.
- 14. And the sons of Zebulun; Sered, and Elon, and Jahleel.
- 15. These be the sons of Leah, which she bare unto Jacob in Padan-aram, with his daughter Dinah: all the souls of his sons and his
- daughters were thirty and three.

 16. And the sons of Gad; Ziphion, and Haggi, Shuni, and Ezbon.
- Eri, and Arodi, and Areli.
- 17. And the sons of Asher; Jimnah, and Ishuah, and Isui, and Beriah, and Serah their sister: and the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel.
- 18. These are the sons of Zilpah, whom Laban gave to Leah his daughter, and these she bare unto Jacob, even sixteen souls.
 19. The sons of Rachel Jacob's
- wife; Joseph, and Benjamin.

 20. And unto Joseph in the land of Egypt were born Manasseh and Ephraim, which Asenath the daughter of Potipherah priest of On bare unto him.
- 21. And the sons of Benjamin were Belah, and Becher, and Ashbel, Gera, and Naaman, Ehi, and Rosh, Muppim, and Huppim, and Ard.

- 22. These *are* the sons of Rachel, which were born to Jacob: all the souls *were* fourteen.
- 23. And the sons of Dan; Hushim.
- 24. And the sons of Naphtali; Jahzeel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shillem.
- 25. These are the sons of Bilhah, which Laban gave unto Rachel his daughter, and she bare these unto Jacob: all the souls were seven.
- 26. All the souls that came with Jacob into Egypt, which came out of his loins, besides Jacob's sons' wives, all the souls were threescore and six; 27. And the sons of Joseph, which were born him in Egypt, were two
- were born him in Egypt, were two souls: all the souls of the house of Jacob, which came into Egypt, were threescore and ten.

 28. And he sent Judah before
- 28. And he sent Judah before him unto Joseph, to direct his face unto Goshen; and they came into the land of Goshen.
- 29. And Joseph made ready his chariot, and went up to meet Israel his father, to Goshen, and presented himself unto him:
- and he fell on his neck,
 and wept on his neck
 a good while.
- 30. And Israel
- said unto Joseph,
- Now let me die, since I have seen thy face,
- because thou *art* yet alive.
- 31. And Joseph said unto his brethren, and unto his father's house,
- I will go up, and shewPharaoh, and say unto him,
- My brethren, and my father's house, which were in the land of Canaan, are come unto me;
- 32. And the men are shepherds, for their
- trade hath been to feed cattle;
 and they have brought
- their flocks, and their herds, and all that they have.
- 33. And it shall come to pass, when Pharaoh
 - shall call you, and

shall say, What is
your occupation?
34. That ye shall say,

■ 34. Inat ye shall say, ■ Thy servants' trade

hath been about cattle from our youth even until now.

both we. and also our fathers:
that ye may dwell in the

that ye may awell in the
 land of Goshen; for
 every shepherd is
 an abomination

unto the Egyptians.

CHAPTER 47

- 1. Then Joseph came and
- told Pharaoh, and said,
 My father and my
- brethren, and their flocks.
 and their herds, and all that they have, are come out of the land of Canaan; and, behold, they
- are in the land of Goshen.
 - 2. And he took some of his brethren, even five men, and presented them unto Pharaoh.
- 3. And Pharaoh said
 unto his brethren, What
 is your occupation?
- And they said unto Pharaoh,
- Thy servants are
- shepherds, both we, and also our fathers.
 - 4. They said morever unto Pharaoh, For to sojourn in the land are we come; for thy servants have no pasture for their flocks; for the famine is sore in the land of Canaan: now therefore, we pray thee, let thy servants dwell in the land of Goshen.
- 5. And Pharaoh spake unto Joseph,
- saying, Thy father and thy brethren are come unto thee:
 The land of
- Egypt is before thee; in the best of the land make thy father and brethren to dwell;
- in the land of
- Goshen let them dwell: and if thou knowest any men of activity among them, then make them rulers over my cattle.
- 1 7. And Joseph

| brought in Jacob

his father, and set him before Pharaoh: and

Jacob blessed Pharaoh.

8. And Pharaoh

said unto Jacob,

■ How old art thou?

9. And Jacob said unto

Pharaoh, The days of the years of my pilgrimage are

an hundred and thirty
vears: few and evil have the

YEARS: few and evil have the days of the years of my life been, and have not attained unto the days of the years of the life of my fathers in the days of their pilgrimage.

10. And Jacob blessed Pharaoh, and

went out from before Pharaoh.

- 11. And Joseph placed his father and his brethren, and gave them a possession
- gave them a possession in the land of Egypt, in the best of the land, in the land of Rameses, as

Pharaoh had commanded.

- 12. And Joseph nourished his father, and his brethren, and all his father's household, with bread, according to their families.
- 13. And there was no bread in all the land; for the famine was very sore, so that the land of Egypt and all the land of Canaan fainted by reason of the famine.
- 14. And Joseph gathered
 up all the money that was found
 in the land of
- Egypt, and in the land of Canaan, for the corn which they bought: and Joseph

brought the money into Pharaoh's house.

15. And when money failed in the land of Egypt, and in the land of Canaan.

all the Egyptians came untoJoseph, and said, Give us

bread: for why should we die in thy presence? for the money faileth.

16. And Joseph said, Give

your cattle; and I will give

GENESIS 48 you for your cattle, if money fail. 17. And they brought ■ their cattle unto Joseph: ■ and Joseph gave them bread in exchange for horses. and for the flocks, and for the cattle of the herds, and for the asses: and he fed them with bread for all their cattle for that year. 18. When that year was ended, they came unto him **=**1 **=**1 the second year, and said unto him. We will not hide it from my lord, how that our money is spent; my lord also hath our herds of cattle: there is not ought **left** in the sight of my lord, but our bodies, and our lands: 19. Wherefore shall we die before thine eyes, both we and our land? buy us and our land for bread, and we and our land will be servants unto Pharaoh: and give us seed. that we may live, and not die, that the land be not desolate. 20. And Joseph bought all the land of Egypt for Pharaoh; for the Egyptians sold every man his field, because the famine prevailed over them: so the land became Pharaoh's. 21. And as for the people, he removed them to cities from one end of the borders of Egypt even to the other end thereof. 22. Only the land of the priests bought he not; for the

priests had a portion assigned them of Pharaoh, and did eat their portion which Pharaoh gave them: wherefore they sold not their lands. 23. Then Joseph said

unto the people.

Behold. I have bought you this day and your land for Pharaoh: lo.

here is seed for you, and ye shall sow the land.

24. **And** it shall come to pass

in the increase, that ye shall

give the fifth part unto Pharaoh, and four parts shall be your own, for seed of the field, and for your food, and for them of your households, and for food for your little ones.

25. And they said. Thou hast saved our lives: let us find grace in the sight of my lord. and we will be Pharaoh's servants.

26. And Joseph made it

a law over the land of Egypt unto this day.

that Pharaoh should have

the fifth part, except the land of the priests only. which became not Pharaoh's.

27 And Israel dwelt in the land of Egypt, in the country of Goshen; and they had

possessions therein.

and grew, and multiplied exceedingly.

> 28. And Jacob lived in the land of Egypt seventeen years; so the whole age of Jacob was an hundred forty and seven years.

29 And the time drew nigh that Israel must

die: and he called his son

Joseph, and said unto him, If now I have found grace in thy sight,

put, I pray thee.

thy hand under my thigh, and deal kindly and truly with me;

bury me not, I pray thee,

in Egypt:

30. But I will lie with my

fathers, and thou shalt carry me out of Egypt, and bury me in their buryingplace.

And he said, I will do as thou hast said.

31. And he said. Swear

unto me. And he sware

unto him. And Israel bowed himself upon the bed's head.

CHAPTER 48

■ 1 1. And it came to

DOSS after these things,

■ that one told Joseph, Behold. ■ thy father is sick: and

he took with him his two sons, Manasseh and Ephraim.

2. And one told
Jacob. and said, Behold, thy son Joseph cometh

thy son Joseph cometh unto thee: and Israel strengthened himself, and sat upon the bed.

3. And Jacob said unto
 Joseph, God Almighty
 appeared unto me at Luz in the land of Canaan, and blessed me.
 4 And said unto me. Behold.

I will make thee fruitful, and multiply thee, and I will make of thee a multitude of people;

and will give this land to thy seed after thee for an everlasting possession.

5. And now thy two sons, Ephraim and Manasseh, which were born unto thee in the land of Egypt before I came unto thee into Egypt, are mine; as Boulean and

are mine; as Reuben and Simeon, they shall be mine.

6. And thy issue, which thou begettest after them,
 shall be thine, and shall be called after the name of their brethren in their inheritance.

7. And as for me, when I came from Padan. Rachel died by me in the land of Canaan in the way, when yet *there was* but a little way to come unto Ephrath: and I buried her there in the way of Ephrath; the same *is* Bethlehem.

8 And Israel beheld
Joseph's sons, and
said, Who are these?

■ 9. And Joseph

said unto his father,
They are my son

They are my sons, whom God hath given me in this place.

And he said, Bring
 them. I pray thee, unto me,
 and I will bless them

10. Now the eyes of Israel were dim for age, so that he could not see. And he brought them near unto him:

and he kissed them, and embraced them.

11. And Israel said unto Joseph,

I had not thought to see thy face: and, lo, God hath shewed me also thy seed.

12. And Joseph brought them out from between his knees, and he bowed himself with his face to the earth.

13. And Joseph

Ephraim in his right hand toward Israel's left ha

toward Israel's left hand,
and Manasseh in his left hand
toward Israel's right hand,
and brought them near unto him.

14. And Israel stretched

out his right hand, and laid it upon Ephraim's head, who was the younger. and his left hand upon Manasseh's head. guiding his hands wittingly; for Manasseh

was the firstborn.

15. And he blessed Joseph, and said, God, before whom my fathers Abraham and Isaac did walk, the God which fed me all my life long unto this day.

16. The Angel which

redeemed me from all evil,
bless the lads; and let
my name be named
on them, and the name of
my fathers Abraham
and Isaac; and let them
grow into a multitude
in the midst of the earth.

17. And when Joseph saw that his father laid his right hand upon the head of Ephraim, it displeased him: and he held up his father's hand, to remove it from Ephraim's head unto Manasseh's head.

18. And Joseph said unto his father. Not so, my father: for this is the firstborn; put thy right hand upon his head.
19. And his father refused, and said. I know it, my son

and said, I know it, my son, I know it. he also shall become a people, and he also shall be great:

but truly his younger

- brother shall be greater than he, and his seed shall become a multitude of nations.

 20. And he blessed them that day, saying, In thee shall Israel bless, saying, God make thee as Ephraim and as Manasseh:
- and he set Ephraim before Manasseh.
- 21. And Israel
- said unto Joseph,
- Behold, I die: but God ■ shall be with you, and
- bring you again untothe land of your fathers.
 - 22. Moreover I have given to thee one portion above thy brethren, which I took out of the hand of the Amorite with my sword and with my bow.

CHAPTER 49

■ 1. And Jacob called ■ unto his sons, and said,

Gather yourselves together, that I may tell you *that* which shall befall you in the last days.

- 2. Gather yourselves together, and hear, ye sons of Jacob; and
- hearken unto Israel vour father.
- 3. Reuben, thou art
- my firstborn, my might,
- and the beginning of my strength, the excellency of dignity.
- **strength**, the excellency of dignity, and the excellency of power:
- 4. Unstable as water,thou shalt not excel:

because thou wentest up to thy father's bed; then defiledst thou *it*: he went up to my couch.

- 5 Simeon and
- Levi are brethren;

instruments of cruelty are in their habitations.

O my soul, come not thou into their secret; unto their assembly, mine honour, be not thou united:

- for in their anger they slew a man, and in their selfwill they
- digged down a wall.

 7. Cursed be their
 - and their wrath, for it was cruel:

- I will divide them in Jacob,
 I and scatter them in Israel
- and scaller them in isro ■ 8. Judah, thou *art he*
- whom thy brethren
 - shall praise: thy hand shall be in the neck of thine enemies;
- thy father's children shallbow down before thee.
 - 9. Judah is a lion's whelp: from the prey, my son, thou art gone up: he stooped down, he couched as a lion, and as an old lion; who shall rouse him up?
- 10. The sceptre shall not depart from Judah, nor a lawgiver from between his feet, until Shiloh come: and
- until Shiloh come; and
 unto him shall the gathering
 of the people be.
 - 11. Binding his foal unto the vine, and his ass's colt unto the choice vine; he washed his garments in wine, and his clothes in the blood of grapes:

 12. His eves shall be red with wine.
 - and his teeth white with milk.
 - 13. **Zebulun shall**
- dwell at the haven of
 - the sea; and he shall be for an haven of ships:
- and his border *shall* be unto Zidon.
- 14. Issachar is a
- strong ass couching down
- between two burdens:
- 15. And he saw that rest was good, and the land that it was pleasant; and bowed his shoulder to bear, and
- became a servantunto tribute.
- 16. Dan shall judge
- his people, as one of the tribes of Israel.
 - 17. Dan shall be a serpent by the way, an adder in the path, that biteth the horse heels, so that his rider shall fall backward.
 - 18. I have waited for thy salvation, O LORD.
- 19. **Gad**, a troop shall overcome him: but he
- shall overcome at the last.
 - 20. Out of Asher his bread
- shall be fat, and he shall yield

roval dainties.

21. Naphtali is a hind let loose; he giveth goodly words.

■ 22. Joseph is a fruitful

bough, even a fruitful bough by a well: whose branches run over the wall:

23. The archers have sorely grieved him, and shot at him, and hated him: 24. But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of

his hands were made

strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob:

(from thence is the shepherd. the stone of Israel:)

25. Even by the God of thy father, who shall help thee; and by the Almighty, who shall bless thee with blessings of heaven above, blessings of the deep that lieth under, blessings of the breasts, and of the womb:

26. The blessings of thy father have prevailed above the blessings of my progenitors unto the utmost bound of the everlasting hills: they shall be on the head of Joseph, and on the crown of the head of him that was separate from his brethren.

27. Benjamin shall ravin as a wolf: in the morning he shall devour the prey, and at night

he shall divide the spoil. 28. All these are the twelve tribes of Israel:

and this is it that their father spake unto them.

and blessed them; every one according to his blessing he blessed them.

29. And he charged them, and said unto them. I am to

be gathered unto my people: bury me with my fathers

in the cave that is in the field of Ephron the Hittite.

30. In the cave that is in the field of Machpelah, which is before Mamre. in the land of Canaan, which Abraham bought with the field of Ephron the Hittite for a possession of a buryingplace.

31. There they buried Abraham and

Sarah his wife: there they buried Isaac and Rebekah his wife: and there I buried Leah 32. The purchase of the field and of the cave that is therein was

from the children of Heth 33 And when Jacob had made an end of

commanding his sons, he gathered up his feet into the bed, and

yielded up the ghost, and was gathered unto his people.

CHAPTER 50

- 1. And Joseph fell upon his father's face, and
- wept upon him, and
- kissed him.
- 2. And Joseph commanded his servants the physicians to embalm his father; and the physicians

embalmed Israel.

- 3. And forty days were fulfilled for him: for so are fulfilled the days of those which are embalmed: and the Egyptians mourned for him threescore and ten days.
- 4. And when the days of his mourning were past, Joseph spake unto the house of
- Pharach, savina, If now I have found grace in your eyes, speak, I pray you, in the ears of Pharaoh, saying,
 - My father made me swear, saying, Lo, I die: in my grave which I have digged for me in the land of Canaan. there shalt thou bury me.

Now therefore let me

go up, I pray thee, and bury my father. and I will come again.

And Pharaoh said, Go up. and bury thy father,

according as he made thee swear.

- 7. And Joseph went up to bury his father; and with him went up all the servants of Pharaoh, the elders of his house, and all the elders of the land of Egypt.
- 8. And all the house of Joseph,

and his brethren, and his father's house: only their little ones, and their flocks, and their herds. they left in the land of Goshen.

9. And there went up with him both chariots and

horsemen: and it was

a very great company.

10. And they came to the threshingfloor of Atad, which is

beyond Jordan, and there they mourned with a great and very sore lamentation; and he made a

mourning for his father seven days. 11 And when the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, saw the mourning in the floor of Atad, they said, This is a grievous mourning to the Egyptians; wherefore the name of it was called Abelmizraim.

which is beyond Jo-rdan.

12. And his sons did unto him according

as he commanded them:

13. For his sons carried

him into the land of

Canaan, and buried him in the cave of the field of

Machpelah, which

> Abraham bought with the field for a possession of a buryingplace of Ephron the Hittite, before Mamre.

14. And Joseph returned into Egypt, he, and his brethren, and all that went

up with him to bury his father. after he had buried his father.

15. And when Joseph's brethren saw that their father was dead, they

said, Joseph will peradventure hate us, and will certainly requite us all the evil which we did unto him.

16. And they sent a

messenger unto Joseph, saying. Thy father did

command before he died. saying,

17. So shall ye say unto Joseph,

Forgive, I pray thee now,

the trespass of thy

brethren, and their sin: for they did unto thee evil:

and now, we pray thee,

forgive the trespass of the servants of the God of thy father. And Joseph wept

when they spake unto him.

18. And his brethren also went and fell down before his face; and they said, Behold, we be thy servants.

19. And Joseph

said unto them.

Fear not: for am I in the

place of God? 20. But as for you,

ye thought evil against me: but God meant it unto

good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive.

21. **Now** therefore fear ye not:

I will nourish you, and your little ones.

And he comforted them, and

spake kindly unto them.

And Joseph dwelt in Egypt. he, and his father's house; and

Joseph lived an hundred and ten years.

23. And Joseph saw Ephraim's children of the third aeneration: the children also of Machir the son of Manasseh were brought up upon Joseph's knees.

24. And Joseph

said unto his brethren. I die: and God will

surely visit you, and

bring you out of this land unto the land which

he sware to Abraham.

to Isaac, and to Jacob.

25. And Joseph took an oath of the children

of Israel, saying, God

will surely visit you, and

ye shall carry up

my bones from hence.

26. **So Joseph died,** *being* an hundred and ten years

old: and they embalmed him.

and he was put in a

coffin in Egypt.

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CHAPTER 1

- 1. Now these are the names of
 the children of Israel,
 which came into Egypt;
 every man and his household came
 with Jacob.
 - 2. Reuben, Simeon, Levi, and Judah,
 - 3. Issachar, Zebulun, and Benjamin,
 - 4. Dan, and Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
 - 5. And all the souls that came out of the loins of Jacob
 - were seventy souls: for Joseph was in Egypt already.
- 6. And Joseph died,
 and all his brethren,
 and all that generation.
- 7. And the children of Israel were fruitful, and increased abundantly, and multiplied, and waxed exceeding mighty:
- and the land was filled with them.
- 8. Now there arose up
 a new king over Egypt,
 which knew not Joseph.
- 9. And he said unto his people, Behold, the people of
- the children of Israel
 are more and mightier
 than we:
 - 10. Come on.
- let us deal wisely with them; lest they multiply, and it come to pass, that, when there falleth out any war, they join also unto
 our enemies, and fight
- against us, and so get them up out of the land.
- 11. Therefore they did
 set over them
- taskmasters to afflict them with their burdens. And they
- built for Pharaoh treasure
- cities, Pithom and Raamses.
 12. But the more they
- afflicted them, the more they multiplied and grew.
 - And they were grieved because of the children of Israel.
 - 13. And the Egyptians

made the children of Israel to serve with rigour:

14. And they

- made their lives bitter with hard bondage, in morter, and in brick, and in all manner of service in the field: all their service, wherein they made them serve, was with rigour.
- 15. And the king of Egypt spake to the Hebrew midwives, of which the name of the one was Shiphrah, and the name of the other Puah:
- 16. And he said, When ye do the office of a midwife to the Hebrew women, and see them upon the stools;
- if if be a son, then, ye shall
 kill him: but if it be
 a daughter, then she
 shall live.
- 17. But the midwives feared
 God, and did not as the king of
 Egypt commanded them, but
- saved the men children glive.
- 18. And the king of Egypt called for the midwives, and
 said unto them, Why have ye done this thing, and have saved the men children alive?
- 19. And the midwives
 said unto Pharaoh, Because
 the Hebrew women
- are not as the Egyptian
- women; for they are
 lively, and are
- delivered ere the midwives come in unto them.
- 20. Therefore God dealt
 well with the midwives:

and the people multiplied, and waxed very mighty.

- 21. And it came to pass, because the midwives feared God, that he made them houses.
- made them houses.

 22. And Pharaoh charged all
- his people, saying,
- I nis people, saying.
 Every son that is
- born ye shall cast into the river.
 - and every

I daughter ve shall save alive.

CHAPTER 2

■ I 1 And there went

a man of the house of Levi, and

took to wife a daughter of Levi.

2. And the woman

conceived and

bare a son: and when she saw him that he was a goodly child, she

hid him three months.

And when she could not longer hide him,

she took for him

an ark of bulrushes, and daubed it with slime and with pitch,

and put the child

therein; and she

laid if in the flags

by the river's brink.

4. And his sister stood afar

off, to wit what would be done to him.

5. And the daughter of

Pharaoh came down

to wash herself at the

river: and her maidens walked along by the river's side; and when she saw the ark among the flags,

she sent her maid to fetch it.

6. And when she had opened it, she

saw the child: and

behold, the babe wept. And she had compassion on him.

and said. This is one

of the Hebrews' children.

Then said his sister. to Pharaoh's daughter.

Shall I go and

call to thee

a nurse of the Hebrew women. that she may nurse the child

for thee?

8. And Pharaoh's daughter said to her. Go.

And the maid went and

called the child's mother.

9. And Pharaoh's

daughter said unto her.

Take this child away.

and nurse it for me, and

I will give thee thy wages. And the

woman took the child, and nursed it.

And the child grew. and she brought him unto

Pharaoh's dauahter. and he became her son. And she

called his name Moses: and she said.

Because I drew him out of the water.

11. And it came to

DOSS in those days.

when Moses was arown, that

he went out unto his brethren.

and looked on their burdens:

and he

spied an Egyptian smiting an Hebrew.

one of his brethren.

12. And he looked this way and that way.

and when he SOW that there was

no man, he slew the Eayptian, and

hid him in the sand.

And when he went out the second day, behold.

two men of the

Hebrews strove

together: and he said

to him that did the wrong. Wherefore smitest

thou thy fellow? 14 And he said. Who

made thee a prince and a iudae over us?

intendest thou to kill

me, as thou killedst

the Egyptian? And

Moses feared, and said, Surely this thing is known.

15. Now when

Pharaoh heard this thing. he sought to slay

Moses But Moses fled

from the face of Pharaoh.

and dwelf in the land of Midian: and he sat

down by a well.

> 16. Now the priest of Midian had seven

land and a large, unto a land flowing with milk and honey; unto the place of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites. and the Hivites, and the Jebusites. 9. Now therefore, behold, the cry of the children of Israel is come unto me: and I have also seen the oppression wherewith the Egyptians oppress them. 10. Come now therefore, and I will send thee unto Pharaoh, that thou mayest **bring** forth my people the children of Israel out of Eavot. 11. And Moses said unto God, Who am I, that I should go unto Pharaoh, and that I should bring forth the children of Israel out of Egypt? 12. And he said, Certainly I will be with thee: and this shall be a token unto thee, that I have sent thee: When thou hast brought forth the people out of Egypt, ye shall serve God upon this mountain. 13. And Moses said unto God. Behold. when I come unto the children of I Israel, and shall SQY unto them, The God of your fathers | hath sent me unto you; and they shall say to me. What is his name? what shall I say unto them? 14. And God said unto Moses. I AM THAT I AM: and he said. Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel, I AM hath sent me unto you. 15. And God said moreover unto Moses. Thus shalt thou say unto the children of Israel. ■ the LORD God of your

fathers, the God of Abraham, the

God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

hath sent me unto you: this is my name for ever. and this is my memorial unto all generations. 16. Go, and aather the elders of Israel together. and say unto them, The LORD God of your fathers, the God of Abraham of Isaac, and of Jacob. appeared unto me, sayina, I have surely visited you, and seen that which is done to you in Egypt: 17. And I have said, I will bring you up out of the affliction of EQVDf unto the land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, unto a land flowing with milk and honey. 18. And they shall hearken to thy voice: and thou shalt come. thou and the elders of Israel. unto the king of Egypt, and ve shall Say unto him, The LORD God of the Hebrews hath met with us: and now let us go, we beseech thee, three days' journey . into the wilderness. that we may sacrifice to the LORD our God. 19. **And** I am sure that the king of Egypt will not let you go, no. not by a mighty hand. 20. And I will stretch out my hand, and smite Egypt with all my wonders which I will do in the midst thereof: and after that he 8 will let you go. 21. And I will give this people favour in the sight of the Egyptians: and it shall come to pass, that, when ye go, ye

shall not go empty.

her neighbour, and of her that

22. But every woman shall borrow of

daughters: and they came and drew water, and filled the troughs to water their father's flock. ■ 17. And the ■ | shepherds came and ■ drove them away: ■ but Moses stood up and ■ helped them, and watered their flock. 18. And when they came to Reuel their father, he said. How is it that ye gre come so soon to day? 19. And they said, An Egyptian delivered us out of the hand of the shepherds, and also drew water enough for us. and watered the flock. 20 And he said unto his daughters, And where is he? why is it that ve have left the man? call him, that he may eat bread. 21. And Moses was content to dwell with the man: and he gave Moses Zipporah his daughter. 22. And she bare him a son, and he called his name Gershom: for he said. I have been a stranger in a strange land. 23. And it came to **Pass** in process of time, that the king of Egypt died: and the children of Israel sighed by reason of the bondage, and they cried, and their cry came up unto God by reason of the bondage. 24. And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his I covenant with Abraham. with Isaac, and with Jacob. 25. And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.

CHAPTER 3

I ■ 1. Now Moses kept the

flock of Jethro his father in law, the priest of Midian: and he led the flock to the backside of the desert, and came to the mountain of God, even to Horeb. And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a flame of fire out of the midst of a bush: and he looked. and, behold. the bush burned with fire. and the bush was not consumed. And Moses said, I will now turn aside, and see this great sight, why the bush is not burnt. And when the LORD saw that he

turned aside to see. God

called unto him out of the midst of the bush.

and said, Moses, Moses. And he said. Here am I.

5 And he

said. Draw not nigh hither:

put off thy shoes from off thy feet,

for the place whereon thou standest is holy ground.

Moreover he said. I am the God of

thy father, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.

And Moses hid his face: for he was afraid to look upon God.

And the LORD said.

I have surely seen the affliction of my

people which are

in Eqypt, and have heard their cry by reason of their taskmasters; for I know their sorrows:

And I am come

down to deliver them out

of the hand of the Egyptians, and to

bring them up out of that land

■ | unto a good

sojourneth in her house, jewels of silver, and iewels of gold, and raiment: and ye shall put them upon your sons. and upon your daughters; and

■ | ye shall spoil the

|■| Egyptians.

CHAPTER 4

 And Moses answered and said. But. behold.

■ | they will not believe

me, nor hearken unto my voice:

for they will say.

■ The LORD hath not appeared unto thee.

2. And the LORD

said unto him.

What is that in

thine hand? And

he said. A rod.

3. And he said.

Cast it on the ground. And he cast it on the ground.

and it became a serpent:

and Moses fled from before it.

4 And the LORD said unto Moses. Put forth thine hand, and

take it by the tail. And

he put forth his hand, and

caught it, and it

became a rod in his hand: 5. That they may believe

that the LORD God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, hath

appeared unto thee.

■ 6. And the LORD

said furthermore unto him.

■ Put now thine hand into thy bosom. And he

put his hand into his bosom:

and when he

■ took it out, behold.

his hand was

leprous as snow.

7. And he said. Put thine hand into thy bosom again.

And he put his hand into his bosom again; and plucked

it out of his bosom, and, behold,

it was

turned again as

his other flesh.

And it shall come to pass. if they will not believe thee. neither hearken to the voice of the first sign, that they will believe the voice of the latter sign. And it shall come to pass.

if they will not believe also these two signs.

> neither hearken unto thy voice, that

thou shalt take of the

water of the river, and

pour it upon the dry land: and the water which thou takest out of the

river shall become

blood upon the dry land.

10. And Moses

said unto the LORD.

O my LORD, I am not eloquent, neither heretofore.

> nor since thou hast spoken unto thy servant:

but I am slow of

speech, and of a slow tongue.

11 And the LORD

said unto him.

Who hath made man's

mouth? or who maketh the dumb. or deaf, or the seeing, or the blind?

have not I the LORD?

Now therefore go, and I will be with thy mouth, and

teach thee what thou shalt say.

13. And he said. O my LORD, send.

I pray thee, by the hand of

him whom thou will send. 14. And the anger of

the LORD was kindled

against Moses, and he

said. Is not Aaron the Levite thy brother? I know

that he can speak well. And also, behold.

he cometh forth

to meet thee:

and when he seeth thee.

he will be alad in his heart.

15. And thou shalf speak unto him, and

put words in his mouth:

and I will be with thy mouth. and with his mouth, and will **,** teach you what ve shall do. 16. And he shall be thy spokesman unto the people: and he shall be even he shall be to thee instead of a mouth, and thou shalt be to him instead of God. 17 And thou shalt take this rod in thine hand, wherewith thou shalt do signs. 18 And Moses went and returned to Jethro his father in law. and said unto him. Let me go. I pray thee, and return unto my brethren which are in Egypt, and see whether they be yet alive. And Jethro said to Moses. Go in peace. 19 And the LORD said unto Moses in Midian. Go. return into Egypt: for all the men are dead which sought thy life. 20. And Moses took his wife and his sons, and set them upon an ass, and he returned to the land of Egypt: and Moses took the rod of God in his hand. 21. And the LORD said unto Moses. When thou goest to return into Egypt, see that thou do all those wonders before Pharaoh, which I have out in thine hand: but I will harden his heart, that he shall ■ not let the people go. ■ 22. **And** thou shalt SQV unto Pharaoh. ■ Thus saith the LORD. ■ Israel is my son, even my ■ firstborn: 23. And I say unto thee. Let my son go, that he may serve me: and if thou refuse to let him go, behold,

the LORD met him, and sought to kill him. 25. **Then Zipporah** took a sharp stone, and cut off the foreskin of her **son,** and cast it at his feet. and said, Surely a bloody husband art thou to me. 26. So he let him go: then she said. A bloody husband thou art. because of the circumcision 27 And the LORD said to Agron. Go into the wilderness to meet Moses. And he went, and met him in the mount. of God, and kissed him. 28. And Moses told Agron all the words of the LORD who had sent him. and all the signs which he had commanded him 29. And Moses and Aaron went and gathered together all the elders of the children of Israel: 30 And Agron spake all the words which the LORD had spoken unto Moses, and did the signs in the sight of the people. 31. And the people believed: and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel, and that he had looked upon their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshipped. CHAPTER 5 1 And afterward Moses and Agron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel,

I will slav thy son, even

24. And it came to pass by the way

thy firstborn.

in the inn, that

Let my people go, that

they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness. And Pharaoh said.

Who is the LORD, that I should

obey his voice to let
 Israel go? I know not the LORD,
 neither will I let Israel go.
 3. And they said, The

God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go.

we pray thee, three days' journey

■ into the desert,

and sacrifice unto

■ the LORD our God;

lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with

the sword.4. And the king of Egyptsaid unto them. Wherefore

do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works?

■ get you

unto your burdens.

5. And Pharaoh said, Behold, **the people** of the land now

are many, and ye make
 them rest from their burdens.

6. And Pharaoh

commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers.

saying.

7. Ye shall no more give the people straw to make

brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves.

8. And the tale of the

bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye

shall not diminish aught thereof:

for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God.

9. **Let** there more work be laid upon

■ the men, that they may

labour therein;

and let them

not regard vain words.

And the taskmasters

of the people went out, and their officers, and they

spake to the people,

saying, Thus saith Pharaoh, I will not give you straw.

11. **Go** ye,

get you

straw where ye can

find it: yet not ought of your work shall be diminished.

■ 12. So the people were scattered abroad

throughout all the land of Egypt to gather stubble

■ Egypt to gather stubble instead of straw.

■ 13. And the taskmasters hasted them, saying,

■ Fulfil your works, your ■ daily tasks, as whe

daily tasks, as when there was straw.

14. And the officers of the children

of Israel, which Pharaoh's taskmasters had set over them,

were beaten, anddemanded, Wherefore

have ye not fulfilled your task in making brick both

yesterday and to day, as heretofore?

15. Then the officers
of the children of Israel

came and cried

unto Pharaoh, saying,Wherefore dealest thouthus with thy servants?

16. There is no straw given unto thy servants,

and they say to us,

Make brick: and, behold, thy servants are beaten:

but the fault is in thine own people.

17. But he said, Ye are idle, ye are idle: therefore ye say, Let us go and do

sacrifice to the LORD.

■ 18. Go therefore now, ■ and work; for

there shall no straw be
 given you, yet shall ye
 deliver the tale of bricks.

19. And the officers of the children of Israel did see *that* they *were* in evil *case*, after it was said, Ye shall not minish *aught* from your bricks of your daily task.

20. And they met Moses
 and Aaron, who stood in the way, as they came forth from Pharaoh:

21. And they

said unto them. The LORD look upon you, and judge; because ye have made our savour to be abhorred in the eves of ■ Pharaoh, and in the eyes of his servants, to put a sword in their hand to slav us. 22. And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said. LORD, wherefore hast thou so evil entreated this people? ■ | why is it that thou ■ hast sent me? ■ 23. For since I came to ■ Pharaoh to speak in thy name. ■ he hath done evil to this people; neither hast thou

■ delivered thy people at all.

CHAPTER 6 ■ 1. Then the LORD said unto Moses. Now shalt thou see what I will do to Pharaoh: for with a strong hand shall ■ he let them go, and with a strong hand shall he drive them out of his land. And God spake unto Moses, and said unto him, I am the LORD: And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them. 4. And I have also established my covenant with them. to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, wherein they were strangers. 5. And I have also ■ heard the groaning of the children of Israel. whom the Egyptians keep in bondage; and I have

remembered my covenant.

6. Wherefore say

unto the children of Israel. I am the LORD, and I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. and I will rid you out of their bondage, and I will redeem you with a stretched out arm. and with great judgments: And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ve shall know that I am the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. And I will bring you in unto the land, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for an heritage: I am the LORD. And Moses spake so unto the children of Israel: but they hearkened not unto Moses for anguish of spirit, and for cruel bondage. 10. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 11. **GO** in, speak unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, that he let the children of Israel ao out of his land. 12. And Moses spake before the LORD. saying, Behold. the children of Israel have not hearkened unto me: how then shall Pharaoh hear me. who am of uncircumcised lips? 13. And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, and aave them a charae unto the children of Israel. and unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring the children of Israel out of the

land of Egypt.

14 These be the heads of their fathers' houses: The sons of Reuben the firstborn of Israel: Hanoch. and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi: these be the families of Reuben. And the sons of Simeon: Jemuel. and Jamin, and Ohad, and Jachin. and Zohar, and Shaul the son of a Canaanitish woman: these are the families of Simeon. 16. And these are the names of the sons of Levi according to their generations; Gershon, and Kohath, and Merari; and the vears of the life of Levi were an hundred thirty and seven years. 17. The sons of Gershon: Libni, and Shimi, according to their families. 18. And the sons of Kohath; Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron. and Uzziel: and the years of the life of Kohath were an hundred thirty and three years. 19. And the sons of Merari: Mahali and Mushi: these are the families of Levi according to their generations. 20. And Amram took him Jochebed his father's sister to wife; and she bare him Aaron and Moses: and the vears of the life of Amram were an hundred and thirty and seven years. 21. And the sons of Izhar: Korah. and Nepheg, and Zichri. 22. And the sons of Uzziel; Mishael, and Elzaphan, and Zithri. 23. And Aaron took him Elisheba. daughter of Amminadab, sister of Naashon, to wife; and she bare him Nadab, and Abihu. Eleazar, and Ithamar, 24. And the sons of Korah; Assir, and Elkanah, and Abiasaph; these are the families of the Korhites. 25. And Eleazar Aaron's son took him one of the daughters of Putiel to wife: and she bare him Phinehas: these are the heads of the fathers of the Levites according to their families. 26. These are that Aaron and Moses. to whom the LORD said. Bring out the children of Israel from the land of

Egypt according to their armies.

27. These are they which spake to Pharaoh king of Egypt, to bring out the children of Israel from Egypt: these are that Moses and Aaron. 28. And it came to pass on the day when the LORD spake unto Moses in the land of Egypt. 29. That the LORD spake unto Moses, saving, I am the LORD: speak thou unto Pharaoh king of Egypt all that I say unto thee. 30. And Moses said before the LORD, Behold. I am of uncircumcised lips, and how shall Pharaoh hearken unto me?

And the LORD said

CHAPTER 7

unto Moses. See. I have made thee a god to Pharaoh: and **Aaron** thy brother shall be thy prophet. Thou shalf speak all that I command thee: and Agron thy brother shall speak unto Pharach, that he send the children of Israel out of his land. And I will harden Pharaoh's heart. and multiply my signs and my wonders in the land of Egypt. **But Pharach shall** not hearken unto you. that I may lay my hand upon Egypt, and bring forth mine armies, and my people the children of Israel, out of the land of Egypt by great judgments. 5. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD.

when I stretch forth mine hand

upon Egypt, and bring out the

7. And Moses was

children of Israel from among them.

6. And Moses and Aaron did as the LORD commanded them, so did they.

fourscore years old, and

Agron fourscore and three

89 vears old, when they spake unto Pharach. 8. And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron. savina. 9. When Pharaoh shall speak unto you, saving. Shew a miracle for you: then thou shalf say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and cast it before Pharaoh, and it shall become a serpent. 10 And Moses and Aaron went in unto Pharaoh, and they did so as the LORD had commanded: and Aaron cast down his rod before Pharaoh, and before his servants, and it became a serpent. 11. Then Pharaoh also called the wise men and the sorcerers: now the magicians of Egypt, they also did in like manner with their enchantments. 12. For they cast down every man his rod, and they became serpents: but Agron's rod swallowed up their rods. 13. And he hardened Pharaoh's heart, that he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said. 14. And the LORD said unto Moses, Pharaoh's heart is hardened, he refuseth to let the people go. 15. Get thee unto Pharaoh in the morning; lo, he goeth out unto the water: and thou shalt stand by the river's brink against he come: and the rod which was turned to a serpent

shalt thou take in thine hand.

■ 16. **And** thou shalt

say unto him. The

LORD God of the Hebrews

hath sent me unto thee.

saying, Let my people

go, that they may serve me in the wilderness: and, behold, hitherto thou wouldest not hear. 17. Thus saith the LORD. In this thou shalt know that Lam the LORD: behold. I will smite with the rod that is in mine hand upon the waters which are in the river. and they shall be turned to blood. 18. And the fish that is in the river. shall die, and the river shall stink: and the Egyptians shall lothe to drink of the water of the river. 19. And the LORD spake unto Moses. Say unto Aaron, Take thy rod, and stretch out thine hand upon the waters of Egypt, upon their streams, upon their rivers, and upon their ponds, and upon all their pools of water. that they may become **blood**; and that there may be blood throughout all the land of Eavpt, both in vessels of wood, and in vessels of stone And Moses and Aaron did so. as the LORD commanded: and he lifted up the rod, and smote the waters that were in the river, in the sight of Pharaoh, and in the sight of his servants: and all the waters that were in the river were turned to blood. 21. And the fish that was in the river died; and the river stank, and the Egyptians could not drink of the water of the river: and there was blood throughout all the land of Egypt. 22. **And the** magicians of Egypt did so with their enchantments: and Pharaoh's heart was

- hardened, neither did he hearken unto them:
 - as the LORD had said.

23. And Pharaoh turned and went into his house, neither did he set his heart to this also.

- 24. And all the Egyptians
- diaged round about the river for water to drink: for
- they could not drink of
- the water of the river.
- 25. And seven days
- were fulfilled, after that
- the LORD had
- smitten the river.

CHAPTER 8

- And the LORD spake unto Moses. Go unto
- Pharaoh, and say unto him,
- Thus saith the LORD. Let my people go,
- that they may serve me.
- 2. And if thou refuse to let them ao, behold.
- I will smite all thy
 - borders with froas:
- And the river shall
- bring forth frogs abundantly, which shall go up and come
- into thine house, and into thy bedchamber, and upon thy bed.
- and into the house of thy servants. and upon thy people, and
- into thine ovens, and into thy kneadingtroughs:
 - 4. And the frogs shall come up both on thee, and upon thy people. and upon all thy servants.
- And the LORD spake unto Moses. Sav unto Aaron.
- Stretch forth thine hand with
- thy rod over the
- streams, over
- the rivers, and over the ponds, and cause
- froas to come up
- upon the land of Egypt.
 - And Aaron stretched out his hand over the waters of Egypt; and
- the frogs came up, and
- covered the land of Egypt.
 - And the

- magicians did so with their enchantments.
- and brought up
- frogs upon the land of Egypt.
 - 8 Then Pharach called for
- Moses and Aaron
- and said. Entreat the LORD.
- that he may

- take away the frogs
- from me, and from my people: and I will let the people
- QO, that they may do
 - sacrifice unto the LOBD And Moses said
 - unto Pharaoh, Glory over me:
- when shall I entreat for
- thee, and for thy servants, and for thy people, to destroy the frogs from thee and thy houses. that they may remain in the river only?
- And he said. Tomorrow.

And he said. Be it according to thy word: that thou mavest know that there is none

like unto the LORD our God.

- 11. And the frogs shall depart from thee, and from thy houses, and from thy servants, and from thy people; they shall remain in the river only.
- 12. And Moses and Aaron went out from Pharaoh: and Moses cried unto the

LORD because of the frogs which he had brought against Pharaoh.

- 13. And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and the frogs
- died out of the houses, out of the villages, and out of the fields.
- 14. And thev
- gathered them together upon heaps: and
- the land stank.
 - 15. But when
- Pharach saw that there was respite, he
- hardened his heart, and hearkened not unto them;
- as the LORD had said.
- 16. And the LORD said unto Moses. Sav unto Aaron,
 - Stretch out thy rod, and smite the dust of the land.

91 that it may become lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 17. And they did so; for Aaron stretched out his hand with his rod. and smote the dust of the earth. and it became lice in man, and in beast; all the dust of the land became lice throughout all the land of Egypt. 18. **And the** magicians did so with their enchantments to bring forth lice, but they could not: so there were lice upon man, and upon beast. 19. Then the magicians said unto Pharaoh, This is the finger of God: and Pharaoh's heart was hardened, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had said. 20 And the LORD said unto Moses, Rise up early in the morning. and stand before Pharaoh: lo, he cometh forth to the water; and say unto him, Thus saith the LORD. Let my people go, that they may serve me. 21. Else, if thou wilt not let my people ao, behold. I will send swarms of flies **upon thee**, and upon thy servants. and upon thy people. and into thy houses: and the houses of the Egyptians shall be full of swarms of flies, and also the ground whereon they are. 22. And I will sever in that day the land of Goshen, in which my people dwell, that no swarms of flies shall be there; to the end thou mayest know that I am the

LORD in the midst of the earth.

23. And I will put a division between my people and thy people:

tomorrow shall this sign be. 24. And the LORD did

so; and there came a

arievous swarm of flies into the house of Pharaoh, and into his servants' houses, and into all the land of Egypt: the land was corrupted **by** reason of the swarm of flies 25 And Pharaoh called for Moses and for Aaron, and said, Go ye. sacrifice to your God in the land. 26. And Moses said. It is not meet so to do: for we shall sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians to the LORD our God: lo. shall we sacrifice the abomination of the Egyptians before their eves, and will they not stone us? 27. We will go three days' journey into the wilderness, and sacrifice to the LORD our God. as he shall command us. 28. And Pharaoh said, I will lef you go, that ye may sacrifice to the LORD vour God in the wilderness: only ye shall not go very far away: entreat for me. And Moses said. Behold, I go out from thee, and I will entreat the LORD that the swarms of flies may depart from Pharaoh, from his servants, and from his people, tomorrow: but let not Pharaoh . deal deceiffully any more in not letting the people **QO** to sacrifice to the LORD. 30 And Moses went out from Pharaoh. and entreated the LORD. 31. And the LORD did according to the word of Moses; and he removed the swarms of flies from Pharach from his servants. and from

his people; there remained not one.

32 And Pharach

■ hardened his heart at this time also, neither

would he let the people go.

CHAPTER 9

1 Then the LORD said unto Moses. Go in unto Pharaoh, and tell him, Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews.

Let my people go, that they may serve me.

For if thou refuse to let them go, and wilt hold them still.

Behold, the hand of the LORD is upon thy cattle which is in the field, upon the

horses, upon the

asses, upon the **camels**, upon the

■ oxen, and upon the

sheep: there shall be a very grievous murrain.

4. And the LORD shall sever between the cattle of

Israel and the cattle of

Egypt: and there shall nothing die

of all that is the children's

of Israel.

5. And the LORD appointed a set time, saving, Tomorrow the LORD shall do this thing in the land.

And the LORD did that thing on the morrow, and

all the cattle of Egypt died: but of the cattle of the children of Israel died not one.

And Pharaoh sent, and, behold.

there was not one of the

cattle of the Israelites

dead. And the heart

of Pharaoh was hardened, and he did

not let the people go.

8 And the LORD said unto Moses and unto Aaron.

Take to you handfuls of

ashes of the furnace,

and let Moses

■ sprinkle it toward the

heaven in the sight of Pharaoh.

And it shall become small

dust in all the land of Egypt, and shall be

a boil breaking forth

with blains upon

man, and upon

beast, throughout all the land of Egypt.

10. And they took ashes of the furnace, and

stood before Pharaoh:

and Moses sprinkled

it up toward heaven: and it became a boil

breaking forth with

blains upon man, and upon

beast.

11. And the magicians could not stand before

Moses because of

the boils: for the boil was upon the magicians, and upon all the Egyptians.

12. And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh, and he hearkened not unto them; as the LORD had spoken unto Moses.

13. And the LORD

said unto Moses. Rise up early in the morning, and

stand before Pharaoh, and SQY unto him, Thus saith

the LORD God of the Hebrews. Let my people go, that

they may serve me.

14. For I will at this time send all my plagues

upon thine heart, and upon thy servants, and

upon thy people; that thou mayest know that there is none like me in all the earth.

For now I will stretch out my hand. that I may smite thee and thy people with pestilence; and thou shalt be cut off from the earth.

16. And in very deed

for this cause have I

raised thee up, for to shew *in* thee my

power; and that my

name may be declared

throughout all the earth.

17. As yet exaltest thou thyself against my people, that thou wilt not let them go?

18. Behold, tomorrow about this time

I will cause it to rain a very grievous

hail, such as hath not been in Egypt since the foundation thereof even until now.

19 Send therefore now, and aather thy cattle, and

all that thou hast in the field;

for upon every man and

beast which shall be found in the field, and shall not be brought home.

the hail shall

come down upon them.

and they shall die. 20. He that

feared the word of the

LORD among the servants of Pharaoh made his

servants and his cattle flee into the houses:

21. And he that regarded not the word of the LORD left his servants and his cattle in the field.

22. And the LORD said unto Moses. Stretch forth thine hand toward heaven, that there may be hail in all the land of Egypt, upon man, and upon beast, and upon every herb of the field, throughout the land of Egypt.

23. And Moses stretched forth his rod toward heaven:

and the LORD sent thunder and hail, and

the fire ran along upon the ground; and the LORD rained hail upon the land of Egypt.

24. So there was hall and fire mingled with the hail, very grievous, such as

there was none like

if in all the land of

Egypt since it

became a nation.

25. And the hail smote throughout all the land of Egypt ■ all that was in the field. both man and beast:

and the hail smote

every herb of the field. and brake every

free of the field.

26. Only in the land of

Goshen, where the children of Israel were.

was there no hail.

27 And Pharach sent and called for Moses and

Aaron, and said unto them. I have sinned this time:

the LORD is righteous,

and I and my people are wicked.

28. Entreat the

LORD (for it is enough)

that there be no

more mighty thunderings and

hail; and I will let you QO, and ye shall stay no longer.

29 And Moses said unto him.

As soon as I am

gone out of the city.

I will spread abroad

my hands unto the LORD: and the thunder shall

cease, neither shall there be any more hail; that

thou mayest know how that the earth is the LORD's.

But as for thee and thy servants.

I know that ye will not yet fear the LORD God.

> 31. And the flax and the barley was smitten; for the barley was in the ear, and the flax was boiled.

But the wheat and the rie were not. smitten: for they were not grown up.

33. And Moses went out of the city from Pharaoh, and

spread abroad

his hands unto the LORD: and the thunders

and hail ceased, and the rain was not poured upon the earth.

34 And when

Pharach saw that the rain and the hail and the thunders were ceased, he

sinned yet more, and hardened his heart,

he and his servants.

35. And the heart of

Pharaoh was hardened. neither would he ■ let the children of ■ Israel go; as the LORD had spoken by Moses.

CHAPTER 10

1 And the LORD

said unto Moses.

Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart. and the heart of his servants.

that I might shew these my signs before him:

2. And that thou

mayest tell in the ears of

thy son, and of thy son's son,

what things I have wrought

in Eaypt, and my signs which I have done among them;

that ye may know how that I am the LORD.

3. And Moses and Aaron came in unto Pharaoh.

and said unto him. Thus saith the LORD God of the Hebrews.

How long wilt thou refuse to humble thyself before me? let my people go, that

they may serve me. 4. Else, if thou refuse to let my people go, behold, tomorrow

will I bring the locusts into thy coast:

5. And they shall cover the face of the earth, that one cannot be able to see the earth:

and they shall eat the

residue of that which is escaped. which remaineth unto

you from the hail, and shall eat every tree which

groweth for you out of the field:

6. And they shall fill thy houses, and the houses of all thy servants, and

■ the houses of all the Eavptians; which neither thy fathers, nor thy fathers' fathers have seen, since the day that they were upon the earth unto this day. And he turned himself, and went out from Pharaoh.

7. And Pharach's servants

said unto him. How long shall this man be a snare unto us?

let the men go, that they may serve the LORD their God: knowest thou not vet

that Egypt is destroyed?

8. And Moses and Aaron were brought again unto

Pharaoh: and he

said unto them. Go. serve. the LORD your God: but

who are they that shall go?

And Moses said. We will go with our

young and with our

old, with our sons and with our daughters.

with our flocks and with our

herds will we go;

for we must hold a feast unto the LORD.

10. And he said unto them, Let the LORD be so with you, as I will let you go, and your little ones: look to it for evil is before you.

11. Not so:

> go now ye that are men, and serve the LORD; for that ye did desire.

And they were driven out from Pharaoh's presence.

12. And the LORD

said unto Moses. Stretch out thine

hand over the land of Egypt

for the locusts,

that they may come

up upon the land of Egypt,

and eat every

herb of the land, even all that

the hail hath

left.

And Moses stretched forth his rod over the land of Egypt.

and the LORD brought an east wind upon the land

all that day, and all that night:

and when it was morning, the east wind

brought the locusts.

14. And the locusts went up over all the land of Egypt, and rested in all the coasts of Egypt: very

grievous were they; before them there no such locusts as they, neither after them shall be such. 15. For they covered the face of the whole earth, so that the land was darkened: and they did eat every herb of the land. and all the fruit of the trees which the hail had left: and there remained not any green thing in the trees, or in the herbs of the field. through all the land of Egypt. 16. Then Pharaoh called for Moses and Aaron in haste: and he said. I have sinned against the LORD your God, and against you. 17. Now therefore forgive, I pray thee. my sin only this once, and entreat the LORD your God. that he may take away from me this death only 18. And he went out from Pharaoh, and entreated the LORD. 19 And the LORD turned a mighty strong west wind, which took away the locusts, and cast them into the Red sea; there remained not one locust in all the coasts of Egypt. 20. **But the LORD hardened** Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go.

21. And the LORD

Stretch out thine

hand toward heaven

that there may be darkness

over the land of Egypt, even

darkness which may be felt.

22. And Moses stretched forth his hand toward heaven; and

there was a thick darkness in

said unto Moses.

all the land of Egypt three days: 23. They saw not one another, neither rose any from his place for three days: but all the children of Israel had light in their dwellinas. 24. And Pharach called unto Moses, and said. Go ve. serve the LORD; only let your flocks and your herds be stayed: let your little ones also go with you. 8 25. And Moses said. Thou must give us also sacrifices and burnt offerings. that we may sacrifice unto the LORD our God. 26. Our cattle also shall ao with us: there shall not an hoof be left behind: for thereof must we take to serve the LORD our God: and we know not with what we must serve the LORD. until we come thither. 27 But the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, and he would not let them go. 28. And Pharach said unto him. Get thee. from me, take heed to thyself, see my face no more; for in that day thou seest my face thou shalt die. 29. And Moses said. Thou hast spoken well. I will see thy face

CHAPTER 11

again no more.

1. And the LORD said unto Moses. . Yet will I bring one plague more upon Pharaoh, and upon Egypt; afterwards he will let you go hence: when he shall let you go, he shall surely thrust you out hence altogether. 2. Speak now in the ears

of the people, and

let every man borrow of
his neighbour, and every
woman of her neighbour,
jewels of silver and jewels of
gold.

gold.
 3. And the LORD gave
 the people favour in
 the sight of the Egyptians.
 Moreover the man

Moses was very great
 in the land of Egypt, in the

 in the land of Egypt, in the sight of Pharaoh's servants,
 and in the sight

of the people.

4. And Moses said,
Thus saith the LORD,
About midnight will I go

■ About midnight will I g
■ out into the midst of Egypt:

5. And all the firstborn in the land of Egypt

shall die, from the first born of

Pharach that sitteth upon his throne, even

unto the firstborn of the maidservant

that is behind the mill;

■ and all the

firstborn of beasts.

6. And there shall be a great cry

throughout all the land of

Egypt, such as there was none like it, nor shall be like it any more.

7. But against any of

the children of Israel shall not a dog move his

■ tongue, against man or beast:

■ that ye may know how

■ | that the LORD doth

put a difference betweenthe Egyptians and Israel.

8. And all these

■ thy servants

■ | **shall** come down unto me, and

■ bow down themselves

unto me,

saying, Get thee

out, and all the people that follow thee: and

after that I will go out. And

■ he went out from

|■| Pharaoh in a great anger.

9. And the LORD

■ **said** unto Moses,

■ Pharaoh shall not

hearken unto you; that my
 wonders may be multiplied

in the land of Egypt.

 And Moses and Aaron did all these wonders before Pharaoh: and the LORD hardened Pharaoh's heart, so that he would not let the children of Israel go out of his land.

CHAPTER 12

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron

in the land of Egypt, saying, 2. **This** month

shall be unto you the

beginning of months: it shall be the first month of

the vear to you.

■ 3. Speak ye unto all

■ the congregation of■ Israel, saying, In the tenth

Israel, saying, In the tent
 day of this month they

shall take to them every man

■ a lamb, according to the house of their fathers, a lamb for an house:

4. And if the household be too little for the lamb,

let him and his

■ | neighbour next unto his house

■ take it according to

■ the number of the

Souls; every man according to his eating shall make your count for the lamb.

5. Your lamb shall be

without blemish, a male of

the first year: ye shall take it out from the sheep, or from the goats:

■ 6. And ye shall

■ keep it up

until the fourteenth day
of the same month:

■ and the whole assembly of

the congregation of Israel

shall kill it in the evening.

■ 7. And they shall take of

■ the blood, and strike it

on the two side posts and on the upper door post of

■ the houses, wherein

they shall eat it. 8 And they shall ■ eat the flesh in that night, roast with fire. and unleavened bread: and with bitter herbs they shall eat it. 9. Eat not of it raw. nor sodden at all with water, but roast with fire; his head with his legs. and with the purtenance thereof. 10. And ve shall let nothing of it remain until the morning; and that which remaineth of it until the morning ve shall burn with fire. 11. And thus shall ye eat it; with your loins girded, your shoes on your feet, and your staff in your hand: and ve shall ■ entir in haste: it is the LORD's passover. ■ 12. For I will pass through the land of Egypt this night. and will smite all the firstborn in the land of Egypt. both man and beast; and ■ against all the gods of Eavot I will execute judgment: I am the LORD. ■ 13. And the blood shall be to you for a token upon the houses where ve are: and ■ | when I see the blood. I will pass over you, and the plague shall not be upon you to destroy you, when I smite the land of ■ | Egypt. 14. And this day shall be unto you for a memorial; and ye shall keep it a feast to the LORD throughout your generations; ve shall keep it a feast by an ordinance for ever.

15. Seven days shall ve

eat unleavened bread:

away leaven out of your houses:

even the first day ve shall put

for whosoever eateth leavened bread from the first day until the seventh day, that soul shall be cut off from Israel. 16. And in the first day there shall be an holy convocation. and in the seventh day there shall be an holv convocation to you: no manner of work shall be done in them. save that which every man must eat. that only may be done of you. 17. And ye shall observe the feast of unleavened bread: for in this selfsame day have I brought your armies out of the land of Eavot: therefore shall ve observe this day in your generations by an ordinance for ever. 18. In the first month. on the fourteenth day of the month at even. ye shall eat unleavened bread, until the one and twentieth day of the month at even. 19. Seven davs shall there be no leaven found in your houses: for whosoever eateth that which is leavened, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger, or born in the land. Ye shall eat nothing leavened; in all your habitations shall ve eat unleavened bread. 21. Then Moses called for all the elders of Israel, and said unto them. Draw out and take you a lamb according to your families. and kill the passover. 22. And ye shall take a bunch of hyssop, and dip it in the **blood** that is in the bason, and strike the lintel and the

two side posts with the **blood** that is in the bason: and none of you shall go out at the door of his house ■ Luntil the morning. ■ 23. For the LORD ■ | will pass through to smite the Egyptians; and when he seeth the blood upon the lintel. and on the two side posts. the LORD will pass over the door, and will not suffer the destroyer to come in unto your houses to smite vou. 24. And ve shall observe this thing for an ordinance to thee and to thy sons for ever. 25. And it shall come to pass. when ve be come to the land which the LORD will give you, according as he hath promised, that ve shall keep this service. 26. And it shall come to pass, when your children ■ shall say unto you, What mean ye by ■ I this service? 27. That ye shall say, It is the sacrifice of the LORD's passover, who passed over the houses of the children of Israel in Egypt, when he smote the Eayptians, and delivered our houses. And the people bowed the head and worshipped. 28. And the children of Israel went away, and did as the LORD had commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. 29. And it came to pass, that at midnight the LORD smote all the firstborn in the land of Egypt, from the firstborn of **Pharach** that sat on his throne

unto the firstborn of the captive that was in the dungeon; and all the firstborn of cattle. 30. And Pharaoh rose up in the night, he, and all his servants, and all the Egyptians; and there was a great cry in Eqvpt: for there was not a house where there was not one dead. 31. And he called for Moses and Aaron by night, and said, Rise up, and get you forth from among my people, both ye and the children of Israel; and go, serve the LORD. as ye have said. 32. Also take your flocks and your herds, as ye have said, and be gone; and bless me also. 33. And the Egyptians were urgent upon the people. that they might send them out of the land in haste: for they said. We be all dead men. 34. And the people took their dough before it was leavened, their kneadingtroughs being bound up in their clothes upon their shoulders. 35 And the children of Israel did according to the word of Moses: and they borrowed of the Egyptians iewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment: 36. And the LORD gave the people favour in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they lent unto them such things as they required. And they spoiled the Egyptians. 37. And the children of Israel iourneyed from Rameses to Succoth. about six hundred thousand on foot that were men, beside children. 38. And a mixed multitude went up also with them; and flocks, and herds, even very much cattle. 39. And they baked

99 unleavened cakes of the dough which they brought forth out of Egypt, for it was not leavened; because they were thrust out of Eavot. and could not tarry. neither had they prepared for themselves any victual. 40. Now the sojourning of the children of Israel, who dwelt in Egypt, was four hundred and thirty years. 41. And it came to pass at the end of the four hundred and thirty years, even the selfsame day it came to pass, that all the hosts of the LORD went out from the land of Egypt. 42. If is a night to be much observed unto the LORD for bringing them out from the land of Egypt: this is that night of the LORD to be observed of all the children. of Israel in their generations. 43. And the LORD said unto Moses and Aaron. This is the ordinance of the passover: There shall no stranger eat thereof: 44. But every man's servant that is bought for money, when thou hast circumcised him then shall he eat thereof. 45. A foreigner and an hired servant shall not eat thereof 46. In one house shall it be eaten: thou shalt not **COTTY** forth aught of the flesh abroad out of the house:

■ neither shall ye break

47. All the congregation of

■ 48. And when a stranger

shall sojourn with thee, and will

keep the passover to the

LORD, let all his males be

a bone thereof

lsrael shall keep it.

circumcised, and then let him come near and keep it: and he shall be as one that is born in the land: for no uncircumcised person shall eat thereof. 49. One law shall be to him that is homeborn, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among you. 50. Thus did all the children of israel: as the LORD commanded Moses and Aaron, so did they. 51. And it came to pass the selfsame day, that the LORD did bring the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt by their armies.

CHAPTER 13

unto Moses, saving. 2. Sanctify unto me all the firstborn, whatsoever openeth the womb among the children of Israel. **both** of man and of beast: it is mine. And Moses said unto the people, Remember this day, in which ve came out from Egypt, out of the house of bondage: for by strength of hand the LORD brought **vou out** from this place: there shall no leavened bread be eaten.

And the LORD spake

4. This day came ve out in the month Abib

5. And it shall be

when the LORD shall bring thee into the

land of the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites,

which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee, a land flowing with milk and honey, that thou shalt keep this

service in this month.

6. Seven days thou shalt eat unleavened bread, and ■ in the seventh day shall

be a feast to the LORD. 7. Unleavened bread

shall be eaten seven days; and

there shall no leavened bread be seen with

thee ineither shall there be leaven seen with thee

in all thy quarters.

8 And thou shalt shew

thy son in that day.

savina. This is done because of that which

the LORD did unto me when

I came forth out of Egypt.

9. And it shall be for a sign unto thee upon thine hand, and for a memorial between thine eyes, that the LORD's law may be in thy mouth:

for with a strong hand hath

■ the LORD brought thee out of Egypt.

10. Thou shalf therefore

keep this

ordinance in his season

from year to year.

11. And it shall be

when the LORD shall bring thee into the

land of the Canaanites.

as he sware unto thee and to thy fathers, and shall give it thee.

12. That thou shalt set apart

unto the LORD all that openeth the matrix, and

every firstling that cometh of a beast which thou hast: the males

shall be the LORD's.

13. And every firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with

a lamb; and if thou wilt

not redeem it.

then thou shall

break his neck: and all the firstborn of

man among thy children

shalt thou redeem.

14. **And** it shall be

when thy son asketh

thee in time to come, saying,

What is this? that

thou shalt say unto him, By strength of hand

the LORD brought us out from Egypt, from the house

of bondage:

15. And it came to pass,

when Pharaoh would hardly let us go, that

the LORD slew all

the firstborn in the land

of Eaypt, both the firstborn of man, and the firstborn of

beast: therefore I sacrifice to the LORD

QII that openeth the matrix, being

males; but all the

firstborn of my children I redeem.

> 16. And it shall be for a token upon thine hand, and for frontlets between thine eyes: for by strength of hand the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt.

17. And it came to pass, when Pharaoh had let the people go, that

God led them not

through the way of

the land of the Philistines, although that

was near: for God said.

Lest peradventure

the people repent when they see war, and they

return to Egypt:

18. But God led the people about,

through the way of the wilderness of the Red

sea: and the children of

Israel went up harnessed

out of the land of

Egypt.

19. And Moses took the bones of Joseph with him:

for he had straitly sworn the children of Israel, saving, God will surely visit you: and ve shall carry up my bones away hence with you.

20. And they took their journey from Succoth, and encamped in Etham,

in the edge of

the wilderness

21 And the LORD went before them ■ by day in a pillar of a cloud, to lead them the way: and by night in a pillar of fire, to give them light: to go by day and night: 22. He took not away the pillar of the cloud by day, nor the pillar of fire by night,

■ from before the people.

CHAPTER 14

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 2. Speak unto the children of Israel, that they turn and encamp before Pi-hahiroth, between Middol and the sea, over against Baal-zephon: before it shall ye encamp by the sea.

■ 3. For Pharaoh will say of the children of Israel.

They are entangled in the land.

the wilderness ■ hath shut them in.

4. And I will harden

Pharach's heart, that he shall ■ follow after them; and I will

be honoured upon

Pharach, and upon all his host:

that the Eavotians may know that

I am the LORD. And they did so.

5 And it was told the king of Egypt

that the people fled; and the heart of Pharaoh and of his servants. was lurned against the people,

and they said. Why have

В We done this, that we have

let Israel go

from serving us?

6. And he made ready his chariot, and took his people with him:

And he took six hundred chosen chariots, and all the

chariots of Egypt, and captains over every one of them.

8. And the LORD hardened the heart of Pharaoh king of Egypt.

and he

pursued after the children of Israel: and the children of Israel went out with

an high hand.

9. But the Eavotians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping

by the sea, beside Pi-hahiroth, before Baal-zephon.

10. And when Pharaoh drew nigh, the children of

Israel lifted up their eyes, and, behold, the Egyptians marched after them;

and they 8

were sore afraid: and the children of Israel.

cried out unto the LORD.

11. And they said unto Moses, Because

there were no graves in Egypt, hast thou taken us away to die in the wilderness?

wherefore hast thou dealt thus with us, to carry us forth out of Egypt? 12. Is not this the word that we did tell thee in Egypt, saying, Let us alone, that we may serve the Egyptians? For

it had been better for us to serve the Egyptians, than that we should

die in the wilderness.

13 And Moses

said unto the people.

Fear ve not, stand still, and see the salvation

of the LORD, which he will shew to you to-day:

for the Egyptians whom ye have seen to-day.

ve shall see them again

no more for ever. 14. The LORD shall fight for

YOU, and ye shall hold your peace.

15. And the LORD

said unto Moses,

Wherefore criest thou unto me? speak unto the

children of Israel, that they

go forward:

16. But lift thou up thy rod, and stretch out thine hand over the sea, and divide it: and the children of Israel shall go on dry ground through the midst of the sea.

17. And I, behold, I will harden

the hearts of

Egyptians, and they shall follow them:

and I will get me **=**1

honour upon Pharaoh.

and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

18. And the Egyptians shall know that I am the LORD, when I have gotten me honour upon Pharaoh, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

19. And the angel of

God, which went before the camp of Israel, removed and

went behind them: and the pillar of the cloud

> went from before their face, and stood behind them:

20. And it came

between the camp of

the Egyptians and the camp of Israel; and it was a cloud and darkness to them, but it gave

light by night

to these: so that the one came not

near the other all the night.

21. And Moses stretched out his hand over the sea:

and the LORD

caused the sea to go back by

a strong east wind all that night, and made the

sea dry land, and the waters were divided.

22. And the children of

Israel went into the midst of

the sea upon the dry ground: and

the waters were

a wall unto them

on their right hand.

and on their

left.

■ 23. And the Egyptians

pursued, and went in after them to the midst of the sea, even all Pharaoh's horses. his chariots, and his horsemen.

24. And it came to pass. that in the morning watch

the LORD looked unto the host of the Egyptians

through the pillar of fire and of the cloud.

and troubled the host of

the Egyptians,

25. And took off their chariot wheels, that they drave them heavily; so that

the Egyptians said, Let us flee from the face of Israel:

for the LORD fighteth for them

against the Egyptians. 26. And the LORD said unto

Moses. Stretch out thine hand over the sea, that the waters may come again

upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots, and upon their horsemen.

27. And Moses stretched forth his hand over the sea.

and the sea returned to his strength when the morning appeared; and the Egyptians fled against it; and the LORD overthrew the Egyptians in the midst of the sea.

28 And the waters returned, and covered

the chariots, and the horsemen, and all the host of Pharaoh that

came into the sea after them; there

remained not so much as one of them.

29. But the children of Israel walked upon dry land in the midst of the sea; and the waters were a wall unto them on their right hand, and on their left.

30. Thus the LORD saved Israel that day

out of the hand of the Egyptians;

and Israel saw the Eayptians dead

upon the sea shore. 31. And Israel saw that great work which the LORD did upon the Egyptians: and the people

feared the LORD,

and believed the LORD. and his servant Moses.

CHAPTER 15

■ 1 1. Then sana

Moses and the children of

Israel this sona unto the

LORD, and spake, saving.

I will sing unto the LORD, for

he hath friumphed aloriously:

the horse and his

rider hath he

thrown into the sea.

2. The LORD is my strength

and song, and he is

become my salvation: he is my God, and I will prepare him an

habitation: my father's God. and I will exalt him.

3. The LORD is a man

of war: the LOBD is his name

4. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the

Seq: his chosen captains also are drowned in the Red sea.

5. The depths have covered them: they

sank into the bottom as a stone.

6. Thy right hand, O LORD, is become alorious

in power; thy right hand, O LORD. hath dashed in pieces

the enemy.

7. And in the greatness of thine excellency thou

hast overthrown them that rose up against

thee: thou sentest forth

thy wrath, which

consumed them

as stubble.

8. And with the blast of thy

nostrils the waters were gathered together, the

floods stood upright as an heap. and the depths were congealed in the heart of the sea.

■ 9. The enemy

said, I will pursue.

■ I will overtake.

I will divide the spoil:

my lust shall be satisfied

upon them: I will draw my sword.

my hand shall destroy them.

10. Thou didst blow with thy wind, the sea

covered them: they

sank as lead in the mighty waters.

11. Who is like unto thee, O LORD, among the

gods? who is like thee.

alorious in holiness. fearful in praises.

doing wonders?

12. Thou stretchedst out thy right hand, the earth swallowed them.

13. Thou in thy mercy hast led forth the people which thou hast redeemed:

thou hast guided them in thy strength unto thy holy habitation.

14. The people shall hear, and be afraid:

sorrow shall take hold on the inhabitants of Palestina.

Then the dukes of Edom shall be amazed; the mighty men of Moab. trembling shall take hold upon them; all the inhabitants of Canaan shall melt away.

16. Fear and dread shall fall upon them; by the areatness of thine arm they shall be as still as a stone; till thy people pass over, o LORD, till the people pass over.

which thou

hast purchased.

17. Thou shalf bring them in, and plant them in the mountain of thine inheritance. in the place, O LORD.

which thou hast made for thee to dwell in. in the Sanctuary, O LORD.

which thy hands have established.

18. The LORD shall

reign for ever and ever.

19. For the horse of

Pharach went in with his chariots and with his horsemen

into the sea, and the LORD brought again

the waters of the sea upon them: but the children of Israel went on dry land in the midst of the sea. 20. And Miriam the prophetess. the sister of Agron, took a timbrel in her hand: and all the women went out after her with timbrels and with dances. 21. And Miriam answered them, Sing ye to the LORD, for he hath triumphed gloriously: the horse and his rider hath he thrown into the sea. 22. So Moses brought Israel from the Red sea, and they went out into the wilderness of Shur; and they went three days in the wilderness. and found no water. 23. And when they came to Marah, they could not drink of the waters of Marah. for they were bitter: therefore the name of it was called Marah. 24. **And the** people murmured against Moses, saving, What shall we drink? 25. And he cried unto the LORD: and the LORD shewed him a tree, which when he had cast into the waters, the waters were made sweet: there he made for them a statute and an ordinance. and there he proved them. 26. **And said,** If thou wilt diligently hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, and wilt do that which is right in his sight, and wilt give ear to his commandments, and keep all his statutes.

I will put none of these

that healeth thee.

diseases upon thee, which I

27. And they came to Elim.

have brought upon the Egyptians: for I am the LORD

where were twelve wells of water, and threescore and ten palm trees:

I and they

encamped there by the waters.

CHAPTER 16

1. And they took their journey from Elim, and all the congregation of the children of Israel came unto the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after their

departing out of the land of Egypt.
2. And the whole
congregation of the children of Israel

murmured against Moses and Agron in the wilderness:

and Adron in the wilderness:

3. And the children

of Israel said unto them,

Would to God we had

died by the hand of the LORD

in the land of

■ Egypt, when we sat by the flesh pots, and when we did eat bread to the full;

for ye have brought us forth into this wilderness,

to kill this wholeassembly with hunger.

4. Then said the

LORD unto Moses, Behold,

I will rain bread from

heaven for you; and the

people shall go out andgather a certain rate

every day, that I may prove them, whether they will walk in my law, or no.

■ 5. And it shall come to pass, that

on the sixth day they

shall prepare that which they

■ bring in; and it shall be

twice as much

as they gather daily.

6. And Moses and Aaron said unto all the children of Israel,

At even, then

■ ye shall know that

the LORD hath

■ | brought you out from the land

of Eavpt:

7. And in the morning, then ■ ve shall see the alory

of the LORD: for that he heareth your murmurings against the LORD; and what are we, that ye murmur against us? 8. And Moses said. This shall be. when the LORD shall give you in the evening flesh to eat, and in the morning bread to the full; for that the LORD heareth your murmurings which ve murmur against him; and what are we? your murmurings are not against us, but against the LORD. And Moses spake unto Aaron. Say unto all the congregation

hath heard your murmurings. 10. And it came to pass, as Agron spake unto the whole congregation of the children of Israel, that they looked toward the wilderness, and, behold,

the alory of the LORD appeared in the cloud.

of the children of Israel, Come

near before the LOBD: for he

11. And the LORD spake unto Moses, savina. 12. I have heard the

murmurings of the children

of Israel: speak unto them. savina. At even ve shall eat flesh, and in the morning ye shall be filled with bread:

and ve shall know that I am the LORD your God.

13. And it came to pass, that at even the

quails came up, and

covered the camp: and in the morning the

dew lay round about the host. 14. And when the dew that lav

was gone up, behold, upon the face of the wilderness

there lay a small round thing, as small

as the hoar frost on the ground.

15. And when the children of Israel saw it. they

said one to another.

It is manna: for they

wist not what it was.

And Moses said unto them This is the bread which the LORD hath given you to eat.

16. This is the thing which the LORD hath commanded.

Gather of it every man according to his eating.

an omer for every man. according to the number of

Your persons: take ve every man for them which are in his tents. And the children of Israel did so. and gathered, some more, some less. 18. And when they did mete it with an omer, he that gathered much had nothing over, and

he that gathered little had no lack: they gathered every man according to his eating.

19. And Moses said. Let no man leave of

> it till the mornina. 20. Notwithstanding they hearkened not unto Moses:

but some of them

left of

it until the morning, and it bred worms, and stank:

and Moses was wroth with them. 21. And they gathered it every morning, every man according to his eating; and when the sun waxed hot, it melted.

22. **And** it came to pass, that on the sixth day they aathered twice as much

bread, two omers for one man:

and all

the rulers of the congregation came and

told Moses.

23. And he said unto them, This is that which the LORD hath said.

To-morrow is the rest of the holy

sabbath unto the LORD:

bake that which ve will

bake to-day, and seethe that ve will seethe:

and that which remaineth over lay up for you to be

kept until the morning.

- 24. And they laid it up till the morning, as Moses bade: and it did not stink.
- neither was there
 - any worm therein.

25. And Moses said, Eat that to-day; for to-day is a sabbath unto the LORD: to-day ve shall not find it in the field.

26. Six days ye shall gather it: but on the seventh day. which is the sabbath, in it there shall be none.

27. And it came to pass, that

there went out

some of the people

on the seventh day for to gather,

and they found none. **=**1

28. And the LORD

said unto Moses.

How long refuse ye to keep my

commandments and my laws? 29. See, for that

the LORD hath given you the sabbath, therefore he giveth you on the sixth day the bread of two days; abide ye every man in his place,

let no man go out of his ■ place on the seventh day.

30. So the people rested on the seventh day.

31. And the house of

Israel called

the name thereof

Manna: and it was like

coriander seed, white:

and the taste of it

was like wafers made with honey.

32. And Moses said, This is

the thing which the LORD

commandeth, Fill an omer of it to be kept for your generations;

that they may see the bread wherewith I have fed you in the wilderness, when I brought you forth from the land of Egypt.

33. And Moses said unto Aaron. Take a pot, and put an omer full of manna therein, and

lay it up before the ■ LORD, to be kept for

your generations.

34. As the LORD commanded Moses, so Aaron laid it up before the Testimony, to be kept.

35. And the children of Israel did eat manna forty

YEARS, until they came to a land inhabited: they did eat manna.

until they came unto the borders of the

land of Canaan. 36. Now an omer is the tenth part of an ephah.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. And all the congregation of the children of Israel
- iourneved from the wilderness of Sin. after their journeys, according to the commandment of the LORD,
- and pitched in Rephidim: m i

and there was no water for the people to drink.

2. Wherefore the people

did chide with Moses. and said. Give us water that we may drink. And Moses said unto them, Why chide ye with me? wherefore do ve tempt the LORD?

3. And the people thirsted there for water; and the people murmured against Moses, and said. Wherefore is this that

thou hast brought us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our cattle

with thirst?

4. And Moses cried

unto the LORD, saying,

What shall I do unto this people? they be almost

ready to stone me.

5 And the LORD

said unto Moses.

Go on before the people, and take with thee of

the elders of Israel;

and thy rod, where with thou smotest the river, take in thine hand, and go.

6. Behold, I will stand

before thee there

upon the rock in Horeb: and thou shalt smite the ■ rock, and there shall come water out of it. that the people may drink. And Moses did so in the sight of the elders of Israel. 7. And he called the name of the place Massah, and Meribah, because of the chiding of the children of Israel, and because they tempted the LORD, saying, Is the LORD among us, or not? 8. Then came Amalek, and fought with Israel in Rephidim. 9 And Moses said unto Joshua. Choose us out men. and ao out. fight with Amalek: to-morrow I will stand on the top of the hill with the rod of God in mine hand. 10 So Joshua did as Moses had said to him, and fought with Amalek: and Moses, Aaron, and Hur went up to the top of the hill. 11. **And** it came to pass. when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed: and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. 12. But Moses hands were heavy: and they took a stone, and put it under him, and he sat thereon; and Agron and Hur stayed up his hands, the one on the one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going

down of the sun.

13 And Joshua

with the edge of the

Amalek and his people

LORD said unto Moses.

discomfited

sword. 14 And the

Write this for a memorial in a book, and rehearse it in the ears of Joshua: for I will utterly put out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven 15. And Moses built an • altar, and called the name of it Jehovah-nissi: 16. For he said. Because the LORD hath sworn that the LORD will have war with Amalek from generation to generation. **CHAPTER 18** When Jethro. the priest of Midian. Moses father in law. heard of all that God had done for Moses, and for Israel his people, and that the LORD had brought Israel out of Egypt: Then Jethro. Moses' father in law took Zipporah, Moses' wife, after he had sent her back, And her two sons: of which the name of the one was Gershom: for he said. I have been an alien in a strange land: 4. And the name of the other was

Eliezer; for the God of my father, said he, was mine help, and delivered me

from the sword of Pharaoh: And Jethro. Moses' father in law. came with his sons and his wife

unto Moses into the wilderness, where he encamped at the mount of God:

6. And he said unto Moses, I thy father in law Jethro am come unto thee, and thy wife, and her

two sons with her 7 And Moses went out to meet his father in law, and did obeisance, and kissed him; and they asked each other of their

8 And Moses told his father in law all that the LORD had done unto Pharaoh and to the Egyptians for Israel's

welfare; and they came into the tent.

sake, and all the travail that had come upon them by the way.

and how the LORD delivered them.

9. And Jethro rejoiced for all the goodness which the LORD had done

to Israel, whom he had delivered out of the hand of the Egyptians. 10. And Jethro said.

Blessed be the LORD. who hath delivered you

> out of the hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of Pharaoh. who hath delivered the people from under the hand of the Egyptians.

11. Now I know that the LORD is greater than all gods: for in the thing wherein they dealt proudly he was above them.

12. And Jethro. Moses' father in law.

took a burnt offering and sacrifices for God: and Agron came, and all the

elders of Israel.

to eat bread with Moses' father in law

before God.

13. And it came to pass 6 on the morrow, that

Moses sat to judge

the people: and the

people stood by Moses from the morning

unto the evening.

14. And when

Moses' father in law saw all that he did to the people, he

said. What is this thing that thou doest to the people? why sittest thou thyself alone, and all the people stand by thee from morning unto even?

15. And Moses said unto his father in law, Because

the people come unto me ■ to inquire of God:

16. When they have a matter, they come unto me: and I judge between

one and another. and Ldo

make them know the

statutes of God, and his laws.

17 And Moses' father in law said unto him.

The thing that thou doest

is not good.

18. Thou wilt surely

wear away, both thou, and this people that is with thee; for this thing is too heavy for thee; thou art not able to perform it thyself alone.

19. Hearken now

او unto my voice. I will give thee

counsel, and God shall be with thee:

Be thou for the people to God-ward, that thou mayest bring the causes unto God:

20. And thou shalt teach

them ordinances and laws, and shalt shew them the way wherein they must walk,

and the work that

they must do. 21. Moreover thou shalt provide out of all the people able men, such as fear God, men of truth, hating covetousness;

and place such over

them, to be rulers of

thousands, and rulers of hundreds, rulers of

fifties, and rulers of tens:

22. And let them judge the people at all seasons:

and it shall be, that

every great matter they shall bring unto thee,

but every small matter they shall judge: so

shall it be easier for thyself. and they shall bear

the burden with thee.

23. If thou shalt do this thing, and God command thee so, then thou shalt be able to endure, and all this people shall also go to their place in peace.

24. So Moses hearkened to the voice of his father in law, and

did all that he had said. 25. And Moses chose able men out of all Israel, and made them heads over the people, rulers of thousands,

rulers of hundreds, rulers of fifties. and rulers of tens. ■ 26. And they judged ■ the people at all seasons: the hard causes they ■ brought unto Moses. ■ | but every small matter ■ | they judged themselves. ■ 27. And Moses let his father in law depart; and he ■ went his way into

CHAPTER 19

■ his own land.

1. In the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day

came they into the wilderness of Singi.

2. For they were departed from Rephidim, and were come to the desert of Sinai, and had pitched in the wilderness:

and there Israel camped before the mount.

3. And Moses went up unto God, and the LÖRD called unto him out of the mountain, saying, Thus shalt thou say to the house of Jacob, and

tell the children of Israel:

4. Ye have seen what I did unto the Egyptians, and how I bare you on eagles' wings, and

brought you unto myself.

5. Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed. and keep my covenant. then ve shall be a peculiar treasure unto me above all

people: for all the earth is mine: 6. And ve shall be unto me

a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation. These are the words which thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel.

7 And Moses came and called for the elders of the people, and laid before their faces all

these words which the LORD commanded him.

8. And all the people

answered together, and said. All that the LORD hath spoken we will do. And Moses returned the words of the people unto the LORD. And the LORD said unto Moses, Lo.

I come unto thee

in a thick cloud, that the people may hear when I speak with thee, and believe thee for ever. And Moses told the words of the people unto the LOBD.

10 And the LORD said unto Moses.

Go unto the people. and sanctify them to-day and to-morrow.

and let them wash their clothes.

11. And be ready against the third day: for

the third day the LORD will come down in the sight of all the people upon mount Sinai.

12. And thou shall

set bounds unto the people round about, saying, Take heed to yourselves.

that ye go not up into the mount, or touch the border of it: whosoever toucheth

the mount shall be surely put to death: 13. There shall not an hand touch

it, but he shall surely be stoned. or shot through: whether it be beast or man, it shall not live: when the trumpet

soundeth long, they shall come up to the mount.

14. And Moses went down from the mount unto the people. and sanctified the

people; and they washed their clothes.

> 15. And he said unto the people. Be ready against the third day: come not at your wives.

16. **And** it came to pass on the third day in the morning, that

24. And the

come up, thou,

LORD said unto him, Away,

get thee down, and thou shalt

EXODUS 20 there were thunders and lightnings, and a ■ thick cloud upon the mount, and the voice of the trumpet exceeding ■ loud: so that all the people that was in the camp trembled. 17. And Moses brought forth the people out of the camp to meet with God; and they stood at the nether part of the mount. 18. And mount Singi ■ Was altogether on a smoke, because the LORD descended upon it in fire: and the smoke thereof ascended as the smoke of a furnace. and the whole mount quaked greatly. ■ 19. And when the voice of ■ the trumpet sounded long, and waxed louder and louder. Moses spake, and God answered him by a voice. 20. And the LORD came down upon mount Sinai, on the top of the mount: and the LORD called Moses up to the top of the mount; and Moses went up. 21. And the LORD said unto Moses, Go down, charge the people, lest they break through unto the LORD to gaze, and many of them perish. 22. And let the priests also, which come near to the LORD. sanctify themselves, lest the LORD break forth upon them. 23. And Moses said unto the LORD. The people cannot come up to mount Sinai: for thou chargedst us, saving. Set bounds about the mount, and sanctify it.

and Aaron with thee: but let not the priests and the people break through to come up unto the LORD. lest he break forth upon them. 25. So Moses went down unto the people, and spake unto them. **CHAPTER 20** 1. And God spake all these words, saving. 2. I am the LORD thy God. which have brought thee out of the land of **Eqypt**, out of the house of bondage. 3. Thou shalt have no other gods before me. 4 Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above. Of that is in the earth beneath. Of that is in the water under the earth. 5 Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visitina the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me: 6. And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me. and keep my commandments. 7. Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. 8. Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. 9. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: 10. But the seventh day is the sabbath

of the LORD thy God:

in it thou shalf not do any

WOIK, thou, nor thy son, nor thy

daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates:

11. For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth.

the sea, and all that in them is.

and rested the seventh

day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day.

and hallowed it.

12. Honour thy father

and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.

13. Thou shalt not kill.

14 Thou shalt not commit adultery.

15. Thou shalt not steal.

16. Thou shalt not bear false witness

against thy neighbour.

17 Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant. nor his ox, nor his ass, nor

any thing that is thy neighbour's.

18. And all the people saw the thunderings. and the lightnings,

and the noise of the trumpet.

and the mountain smoking: and when the people saw it, they removed, and stood afar off.

19. And they said unto Moses. Speak thou with us, and we will hear; but

let not God speak with us, lest we die.

20. And Moses

said unto the people.

Fear not: for God is come

to prove you, and that his fear may be before your faces. that ye sin not.

21. And the people stood afar off,

and Moses drew near

unto the thick darkness where

God was

22. And the LORD said unto Moses. Thus thou shalt

say unto the children of

Israel, Ye have seen that I have talked with

vou from heaven.

23. Ye shall not

make with me

gods of silver, neither shall ye make unto you gods

of aold.

24. An altar of earth thou shalt make unto me, and shalt

sacrifice thereon

thy burnt offerings, and thy peace offerings, thy sheep, and thine oxen: in all places where I record my name I will come unto thee,

and I will bless thee.

25 And if thou wilt

make me

an altar of stone, thou

shalt not build it of

hewn stone: for if thou lift up

thy tool upon it. thou 6

hast polluted it. 26. Neither shalt thou

go up by steps unto mine

altar, that thy nakedness be not discovered thereon.

CHAPTER 21

 Now these are the iudaments which thou shalt set before them.

2. If thou buy an Hebrew servant, six years he

shall serve: and in

the seventh he shall go out

free for nothing. 3. If he came in

by himself, he shall go out

by himself: if he were

married, then

his wife shall go out

with him.

4. If his master have given him a wife, and she have

born him sons or

daughters; the wife and

her children shall be

her master's, and he shall go out by himself.

And if the

servant shall plainly

say. I love my master,

my wife, and my children: I will not go out free: 6. Then his master shall bring him unto the judges; he shall also bring him to the door, or unto the door post: and his master shall bore his ear through with an aul: and he shall serve him for ever. 7. And if a man sell his daughter to be a maidservant, she shall not go out as the menservants do. 8. If she please not her master, who hath betrothed her to himself. then shall he let her be redeemed: to sell her unto a strange nation he shall have no power, seeing he hath dealt deceitfully with her. And if he have betrothed her unto his son, he shall deal with her after the manner of daughters. 10. If he take him another wife: her food, her raiment, and her duty of marriage, shall he not diminish. 11 And if he do not these three unto her. then shall she go out free without money. 12. He that smiteth a man. so that he die. shall be surely put to death. 13. And if a man lie not in wait, but God deliver him into his hand: then I will appoint thee a place whither he shall flee.

14. But if a man come

upon his neighbour, to slay

him with guile; thou shalt take him

from mine altar, that he may die.

15. And he that smiteth

presumptuously

his father, or his

■ mother, shall be

surely put to death. 16 And he that stealeth **.** I a man, and selleth him. or if he be found in his hand. he shall surely be out to death. 17. And he that curseth **=** 1 **=** 1 his father, or his mother, shall surely be put to death. 18. And if men strive together, and one smite another with a stone, or with his fist and he die not. but keepeth his bed: 19. If he rise again, and walk abroad upon his staff, then shall he that smote him be quit: only he shall pay for the loss of his time, and shall cause him to be thoroughly healed. 20. And if a man smite his servant, or his maid, with a rod, and he die under his hand: he shall be surely punished. 21. Notwithstanding, if he continue a day or two, he shall not be punished: for he is his money. 22. If men strive, and hurt a woman with child, so that her fruit depart from her, and yet no mischief follow: he shall be surely punished, according as the woman's husband will lay upon him; and he shall pay as the judges determine. 23. And if any mischief follow, then thou shalt give life for life, 24. Eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for hand, foot for foot. 25. Burning for burning, wound for wound, stripe for stripe. 26. And if a man smite the eye of his servant. or the eve of his maid, that it perish; he shall let him go free for his eye's sake. 27. And if he smite out his manservant's tooth. or his maidservant's tooth:

he shall let him go

113 free for his tooth's sake. 28. If an ox gore a man or a woman, that they die: then the ox shall be surely stoned, and his flesh shall not be eaten: but the owner of the ox shall be auit. 29. But if the ox were wont to push with his horn in time past. and it hath been testified to his owner. and he hath not kept him in, but that he hath killed a man or a woman: the ox shall be stoned and his owner also shall be put to death. 30. If there be laid on him a sum of money, then he shall give for the ransom of his life whatsoever is laid upon him. 31. Whether he have gored a son, or have gored a daughter. according to this judgment shall it be done unto him. 32. If the ox shall push a manservant or a maidservant: he shall give unto their master thirty shekels of silver, and the ox shall be stoned. 33 And if a man shall open a pit, or if a man shall dig a pit, and not cover it, and an ox or an ass fall therein: 34. The owner of the pit shall make it good, and give money unto the owner of them: and the dead beast shall be his. 35. And if one man's ox hurt another's, that he die: then they shall sell the live ox,

and divide the money of it:

Or if it be known that the ox

hath used to push in time past,

and his owner hath not kept him

in; he shall surely pay ox for ox; and the dead shall be his own.

and the dead ox

also they shall divide.

CHAPTER 22

1. If a man shall steal an **OX,** or a sheep, and kill it, or sell it: he shall restore five oxen for an ox, and four sheep for a sheep. 2. If a thief be found breaking up, and be smitten that he die. there shall no blood be shed for him. 3 If the sun be risen upon him, there shall be blood shed for him: for he should make full

restitution: if he have nothing, then he shall be sold for his theft.

4. If the theft be certainly found in his hand alive, whether it be ox, or ass, or sheep: he shall restore double. 5. If a man shall cause a

field or vineyard to be eaten, and shall put in his beast. and shall feed in another man's field: of the best of his own field, and of the best of

his own vineyard, shall he make restitution. If fire break out.

and catch in thorns. so that the stacks of corn, or the standing corn, or

the field, be consumed therewith:

he that kindled the

fire shall surely make restitution.

If a man shall deliver unto his neighbour

money or stuff to keep. and it be stolen

out of the man's house:

if the thief be found. let him pay double.

8 If the thief be

not found, then

the master of the house shall be brought

unto the judges,

to see whether

he have put his hand unto his neighbour's goods.

For all manner of trespass, whether it be for ox. for ass, for sheep, for raiment, or for any manner of lost thing which another challengeth to be his, the cause of both parties shall come before the judges; and whom the judges shall condemn, he shall pay double unto his neighbour. 10. If a man deliver unto his neighbour an ass, or an ox, or a sheep, or any beast, to keep; and it die, or be hurt, or driven **GWGY**, no man seeing it. 11. Then shall an oath of the LORD be between them both, that he hath not put his hand unto his neighbour's goods; and the owner of it shall accept thereof. and he shall not make it good. 12. And if it be stolen from him, he shall make restitution unto the owner thereof 13. If it be torn in pieces, then let him bring it for witness, and he shall not make good that which was torn. 14. And if a man borrow aught of his neighbour, and it be hurt, or die, the owner thereof being not with it, he shall surely make it good. 15. **But if the owner** thereof be with it, he shall not make it good: if it be an hired thing, it came for his hire. 16. And if a man entice a maid that is not betrothed, and lie with her, he shall surely endow her to be his wife. 17. If her father utterly refuse to give her unto him, he shall pay money

according to the dowry of virgins.

18. Thou shalt not

■ 19. Whosoever lieth

suffer a witch to live.

be put to death. 20. He that sacrificeth unto any god, save unto the LORD only, he shall be utterly destroyed. Thou shalt neither vex a stranger. nor oppress him; for ve were strangers in the land of Egypt. 22. Ye shall not afflict any widow, or fatherless child. 23. If thou afflict them in any wise, and they cry at all unto me. I Will surely hear their cry: 24. And my wrath shall wax hot, and I will kill you with the sword; and your wives shall be widows, and your children fatherless. 25. If thou lend money to *any of* my people that is poor by thee, thou shalt not be to him as an usurer, neither shalt thou lay upon him usury. 26. If thou at all take thy neighbour's raiment to pledge. thou shalt deliver it unto him by that the sun goeth down: 27. For that is his covering only, it is his raiment for his skin: wherein shall he sleep? and it shall come to pass. when he crieth unto me, that I will hear; for I am gracious. 28. Thou shalt not revile the gods, nor curse the ruler of thy people. 29. Thou shalt not delay to offer the first of thy ripe fruits, and of thy liquors: the firstborn of thy sons shalt thou give unto me. 30. Likewise shall thou do with thine oxen, and with thy sheep: seven days it shall be with his dam; on the eighth day thou shalf give it me. 31. And ve shall

with a beast shall surely

■ | **be holy** men unto me: ■ neither shall ve ■ eat any flesh that is

torn of beasts in the field: ve shall cast it to the dogs.

CHAPTER 23

■ 1 1. Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked ■ to be an unrighteous witness. 2. Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil: neither shall thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment:

3. Neither shalt thou

countenance a **Door man** in his cause.

4. If thou meet thine enemy's ox or his ass going astray.

thou shalt surely

bring if back to him again.

If thou see the

CISS of him that bateth thee

Iving under his burden, and wouldest forbear to help him,

thou shalt surely

help with

him.

6. Thou shalt not

wrest the judament of thy poor in his cause.

7. **Keep** thee

far from a false matter: and the innocent and

riahteous slay thou

not: for I will not justify the wicked.

8. And thou shalt

take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and

perverteth the words of

the righteous.

9. Also thou shalt not oppress a stranger:

> for ye know the heart of a stranger, seeing ye were strangers in the land of Egypt.

■ 10. And six years thou shalt sow thy land, and shalt

gather in

the fruits thereof:

11. But the seventh

vear thou shalt

let it rest and lie still;

that the poor of thy people

may eat: and what they leave

the beasts of the

field shall eat

In like manner thou shalt deal with

thy vineyard, and with thy oliveyard.

12. Six days thou shalt do thy work, and on the

seventh day thou shalt

rest: that thine ox and thine ass may rest,

and the son of thy handmaid. and the stranger, may

be refreshed.

> 13. And in all things that I have said unto you

be circumspect: and make no mention of the name

of other gods, neither

let it be heard out of thy mouth. 14. Three times thou shalt

keep a feast unto me

in the year. Thou shalt keep.

the feast of unleavened

bread: (thou shalt eat unleavened bread seven days, as I commanded thee, in the time appointed of the month Abib: for in it thou camest out from Egypt: and none shall appear before me empty:)

And the feast of harvest. the firstfruits of thy labours, which thou hast sown in the field:

and the feast of ingathering, which is in the end of the year, when thou hast gathered in thy labours out of the field.

17. Three times in the year all thy males shall appear before the LORD God.

18. Thou shalt not offer

the blood of my sacrifice

with leavened

bread: neither shall

the fat of my sacrifice

remain until the morning.

19. **The** first of the firstfruits of thy land

thou shalt bring into the house of the LOBD thy

■ I God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk.

20. Behold, I send an

■ Angel before thee, to keep thee in the way, and

to bring thee into the place which I have prepared.

21. Beware of him. and obey his voice.

provoke him not; for he will not pardon your transgressions:

for my name is in him. 22. But if thou shall indeed

obey his voice, and

do all that I speak:

then I will be an enemy unto thine enemies, and an adversary unto thine adversaries.

> 23. For mine Angel shall go before thee, and bring thee in unto the Amorites, and the Hittites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:

and I will cut them off.

24. Thou shalt not bow down to their gods, nor serve

them, nor do after their works: but thou shalt utterly

overthrow them, and quite

break down their images.

25. And ve shall serve

the LORD your God.

and he shall bless

thy bread, and thy water;

and I will

take sickness

away from the midst of

thee.

26. There shall nothing cast their young, nor be barren, in thy land: the number of thy days I will fulfil.

27. I will send my fear before thee, and will

destroy all the people to whom

thou shalt come, and I will make all

thine enemies turn

their backs unto thee. 28. And I will send

hornets before thee, which

shall drive out the Hivite.

■ the Canaanite, and the

Hittite, from before thee.

29. I will not drive

them out from before thee

in one year; lest the

land become

desolate, and the beast of the field multiply against thee.

30. By little and little I will drive them out from before thee.

until thou be increased. and inherit the land.

31. And I will set thy bounds from the Red sea even unto the sea of the Philistines. and from the desert unto the river: for I will deliver the inhabitants. of the land into your hand; and thou shalt drive them out before thee.

32. Thou shalt make no covenant with them, nor with their gods.

33. They shall not dwell in thy land, lest they make

thee sin against me: for if thou serve their gods, it will surely be a snare unto thee.

CHAPTER 24

1. And he said unto Moses,

Come up unto the LORD, thou, and Aaron, Nadab,

and Abihu, and seventy of the elders of Israel:

and worship ye afar off.

2. And Moses alone

shall come near the LORD:

but they shall not come nigh; neither shall the people go up with him.

3. And Moses came and

told the people all

the words of the

LORD, and all the judgments:

and all

the people answered with one voice, and said,

All the words which the

LORD hath said will we do.

4 And Moses wrote all

the words of the LORD.

and rose up

early in the morning,

and builded an altar under

the hill, and twelve pillars, according to the twelve tribes of Israel. 5. And he sent young men of the children of Israel. which offered burnt offerings, and sacrificed peace offerings of oxen unto the LORD.

6. And Moses took half of the blood, and put it in basins; and

half of the blood

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he sprinkled on the altar. 7. And he took the book

of the covenant, and read in the audience of the people: and they said.

All that the LORD hath said will we do, and be obedient.

8. And Moses took the blood, and sprinkled it on the people, and said, Behold

the blood of the covenant which the LORD hath made with you concerning all these words.

Then went up Moses, and Aaron, Nadab, and Abihu,

and seventy of

the elders of Israel:

10. And they saw the

God of Israel: and there was

under his feet as it were

a paved work of a sapphire stone, and

GS it were

the body of

heaven in his clearness.

> 11. And upon the nobles of the children of Israel he laid not his hand; also they saw God, and did eat and drink.

12. And the LORD said unto Moses, Come up to me into the mount, and be there:

■ and I will give thee

■ I tables of stone, and a law.

■ and commandments which ■ I have written; that thou

mayest teach them. 13. And Moses rose up.

and his minister

Joshua: and Moses went up into the

mount of God. 14. And he said

unto the elders, Tarry ve

here for us.

until we come

again unto you: and, behold,

Aaron and Hur are with you: if any man have

any matters to do.

let him come unto them

15. And Moses went up into the mount, and

a cloud covered the mount.

16. And the glory of the LORD abode upon mount

Singi, and the cloud covered it

six days: and the

seventh day he called unto

Moses out of the midst of the cloud

17. And the sight of the glory of the LORD

was like devouring fire on the top of the mount in the eyes of the children of Israel.

And Moses went into the midst of the cloud, and gat him up into the mount: and Moses

was in the mount forty davs and forty nights.

CHAPTER 25

 And the Lord spake unto Moses saving.

2. Speak unto the children of Israel, that they bring me an offering: of every man that giveth it

willingly with his

heart ve shall take my offering.

3. And this is the

offering which

ye shall take of them;

gold, and

silver, and brass,

4. And blue, and

purple, and

scarlet, and fine

linen, and

goats' *hair*, And rams **EXODUS 25** skins dved red, and badaers' skins, and shittim wood. 6. Oil for the light, ■ | spices for anointing oil. ■ and for sweet incense. 7. Onyx stones, and stones to be set in the ephod, and in the breastplate. 8. And let them make me a sanctuary: that I may dwell among them. 9. According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the tabernacle, and the pattern of all the instruments ■ thereof, even so shall ve make it. ■ 10. And they shall make an ark of shiftim wood: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof. 11. And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, within and without shalt thou overlay it. and shalt make upon it a crown of gold round about. 12. And thou shalt cast four rings of gold for it, and put them in the four corners thereof, and two rings shall be in the one side of it, and two rings in the other side of it. 13. And thou shalt make staves of shittim wood, and overlay them with gold. 14. And thou shalt put the staves into

the rings by the sides of the ark,

shall not be taken from it.

that the ark may

16. And thou shalt

be borne with them.

15. The staves shall be

in the rings of the ark; they

testimony which I shall give thee. 17. And thou shalt make a mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half shall be the length thereof, and a cubit and a half the breadth thereof. 18. And thou shalt make two cherubims of gold, of beaten work shalt thou make them, in the two ends of the mercy seat. 19. And make one cherub on the one end, and the other cherub on the other end: even of the mercy seat shall ve make the cherubims on the two ends thereof. 20 And the cherubims shall stretch forth their wings on high. covering the mercy seat with their wings. and their faces shall look one to another: toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubims be. 21 And thou shall put the mercy seat above upon the ark; and in the ark thou shalt put the testimony that I shall give thee. 22. And there I will meet with thee, and I will commune with thee from above the mercy seat. from between the two cherubims which are upon the ark of the testimony, of all things which I will give thee in commandment unto the children of Israel. 23 Thou shalf also make a table of shittim wood: two cubits shall be the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof. 24. And thou shalt overlay it with pure gold, and make thereto a crown of gold round about. 25. And thou shalt make unto it a border of an hand breadth

put into the ark the

.

round about, and thou shalt make a golden crown

to the border thereof round about.

26. And thou shalt make for it

four rings of gold. and put the rings

in the four corners

that are on the four feet thereof. 27. Over against the border shall the rings be for places of the staves to bear the table.

28 And thou shalt

make the

staves of shittim wood.

and overlay them with gold, that the table may be borne with them.

29 And thou shalt

make the

dishes thereof.

and spoons thereof.

and covers thereof.

and bowls thereof

to cover withat:

of pure gold shalt

thou make them.

30. And thou shalt set upon the table shewbread before

■ me alway.

31. And thou shalt

make a candlestick of pure

gold: of beaten work shall the candlestick be made; his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same.

32 And six branches shall ■ come out of the sides of it:

three branches of the candlestick

out of the one side, and

three branches of the candlestick

out of the other side:

33. Three bowls made

like unto

almonds, with a knop and a flower in one branch; and three bowls made like almonds in the

other branch, with a knop and a flower:

so in the six branches that come out of the candlestick.

34. And in the candle

sticks shall be four

bowls made like unto almonds. with their

knops and their

flowers.

35. And there shall be a knop under two branches

of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same.

according to the six branches that proceed

out of the candlestick.

36. Their knops and their

branches shall be of the same: all it shall

be one begten work

of pure gold. 37. And thou shalt make the

seven lamps thereof; and they shall light the lamps thereof.

that they may

aive light over against it.

38. And the tongs thereof. and the

snuffdishes thereof

shall be of

pure gold.

39. Of a talent of pure

gold shall he make it, with all

these vessels.

40 And look that thou make them after their

pattern, which was shewed thee in the mount.

CHAPTER 26

 Moreover thou shalt. make the tabernacle with

ten curtains of line twined

linen, and blue, and

purple, and scarlet: with

cherubims of cunning WOrk shalt thou make them.

2. The length of one curtain

shall be eight and twenty cubits. and the breadth of

one curtain four cubits: and

every one of the

curtains shall

have one measure.

3. The five curtains shall be coupled

together one to another:

- and other five curtains shall be coupled one to another. 4 And thou shalt
- make loops of blue upon
- the edge of the one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling; and likewise shalt thou make in the uttermost edge of another curtain.
- in the coupling ■ of the second.
- 5. Fifty loops shall thou make
- in the
- one curtain, and fifty
- loops shalt thou make in the edge of the curtain that is in the coupling of the
- second: that the loops may take hold one of another.
 - 6. And thou shalt
- make fifty taches of gold. and couple the curtains
- together with the taches:
- and it shall be one tabernacle.
- 7. **And** thou shalt
 - make curtains of goats' hair to be a covering upon
- the tabernacle: eleven
- curtains shall thou make. 8. The length of one curtain
 - shall be thirty cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: and the eleven curtains
- shall be all of one measure.
- 9. And thou shalt
- couple five curtains by themselves, and
- six curtains by
- themselves, and shalt
- double the sixth
- curtain in the forefront of the tabernacle.
- 10. **And** thou shalt
- make fifty loops on the edge of the one curtain
 - that is outmost in the coupling,
- and fifty loops in the edge of the curtain which coupleth
- the second.
- 11. And thou shalt make fifty taches of brass,

- and put the taches into the loops.
- and couple the tent
- together, that it may be one.
- 12. And the remnant that remaineth of the curtains of the tent.
- the half curtain that remaineth, shall hang over the backside
- of the tabernacle.
 - 13. And a cubit on the one side, and a cubit on the other side of that which remaineth in the length of the curtains of the tent, it shall hang over the sides of the tabernacle on this side and on that side, to cover it.
- 14. And thou shalt
- make a covering for the tent of rams' skins dyed red, and a covering above of badgers skins.
- 15. And thou shalt
- make boards for the tabernacle
- of shittim wood standing up.
- 16. Ten cubits shall be
- the length of a board,
- and a cubit and
- a half shall be

- the breadth of one board.
 - 17. Two tenons shall
- there be in one board. set in order one
- against another: thus shalt thou make for all the

boards of the tabernacle.

- 18. And thou shalt
- make the boards for the tabernacle,
- twenty boards on
- the south side southward.
- 19. And thou shalt
- make forty sockets of
- silver under the twenty boards;
- two sockets under one board for his
- two tenons, and two
 - sockets under another
 - board for his two tenons.
- 20. And for the second side of the tabernacle
- on the north side there shall be twenty boards:
- 21. And their
 - forty sockets of silver; two

sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. 22 And for the sides of the Jahernacle westward thou shalt make six boards. 23 And two boards shalt thou make for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides. 24. And they shall be coupled together beneath, and they shall be coupled together above the head of it unto one ring: thus shall it be for them both; they shall be for the two corners. 25. And they shall be eight boards, and their sockets of silver, sixteen sockets; two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board. 26 And thou shalt make bars of shittim wood: five for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle. 27. And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle. and five bars for the boards of the side of the tabernacle for the two sides westward 28. And the middle bar in the midst of the boards shall reach from end to end. 29. And thou shalt overlay the boards with

gold, and make their ringsof gold for places for the

bars: and thou shalt overlay the bars v

overlay the bars with gold.

30. And thou shalt

rear up the tabernacle according to the fashion thereof which was

shewed thee in the mount.

31. **And** thou shalt

■ make a veil *of* blue, ■ and purple, and

scarlet, and fine twined linen of cunning work:

with cherubims shall it be made:

■ 32. **And** thou shalt

EXODUS 27 hang it upon four pillars of shittim wood overlaid with gold: their hooks shall be of gold, upon the four sockets of silver. 33 And thou shalt. hang up 6 the veil under the taches, that thou mavest bring in thither within the veil the ark of the testimony: and the veil shall divide unto you between the holy place and the most holy. 34. And thou shalt put the mercy seat upon the ark of the testimony in the most holy place. 35. And thou shalt set the table without the veil, and the candlestick over against the table on the side of the tabernacle toward the south: and thou shalt put the table on the north side. And thou shalt make an hanaina for the door of the tent, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework.

■ 37. **And** thou shall

make for the hanging five
 pillars of shittim wood,
 and overlay them with

gold, and their hooks shall be

of gold: and thou shalt cast five sockets

of brass for them.

CHAPTER 27

1. And thou shall

make an altar of shiftim wood, five cubits long, and five cubits broad; the altar shall be

foursquare: and the height thereof shall be three cubits.

2. **And** thou shalt

make the horns of it

EXC	DDUS 27 The Tabe
-	upon the four corners
_	thereof: his horns shall be of
	the same: and thou shalt
	overlay it with brass.
	3. And thou shalt
	make his
	pans to receive his
	ashes, and his
	shovels, and his
Н	basins, and his
Ы	fleshhooks, and his firepans: all the vessels
	thereof thou shalt
_	make of brass.
П	4. And thou shalt
Ы	make for it
	a grate of network
	of brass; and upon
	the net shalt thou make
	four brasen rings in the four
Н	corners thereof.
Н	5. And thou shalt
Н	put it under the compass of
Н	the altar beneath, that
-	the net may be
	even to the midst
	of the altar.
	6. And thou shalt
	make staves for the altar, staves
	of shittim wood, and
	overlay them with brass.
	7. And the staves shall
	be put into the rings,
	and the staves shall be
	upon the two sides of the altar,
	to bear it.
	Hollow with boards shalt thou
l	make it: as it was shewed thee in
1_	the mount, so shall they make it.
	9. And thou shalt make
	the court of the tabernacle: for the
	south side southward there
	shall be hangings for the court
	of fine twined
	linen of
	an hundred cubits
	long for one side:
۱Ę.	10. And the
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■ | twenty pillars thereof

twenty sockets shall be

of brass: the hooks of the

and their

pillars and their fillets shall be of silver. 11. And likewise for the north side in length there shall be hangings of an hundred cubits long. and his twenty pillars and their twenty sockets of brass: the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver. 12. And for the breadth of the court on the west side shall be hangings of fifty cubits: their pillars ten. and their sockets ten. 13. And the breadth of the court on the east side eastward shall be fifty cubits. 14. The hangings of one side of the gate shall be fifteen cubits: their pillars three. and their sockets three. 15. And on the other side shall be hangings fifteen cubits: their pillars three. and their sockets three. 16. **And** for the gate of the court shall be an hanging of twenty cubits, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, wrought with needlework: and their pillars shall be four, and their sockets four. 17. All the pillars round about the court shall be filleted with silver: their hooks shall be of silver, and their sockets of brass. 18. The length of the court shall be an hundred cubits, and the breadth fifty every where, and the height five

ubits of fine twined

■ linen, and their

sockets of brass.

19. All the vessels of the tabernacle in all the service thereof,

and all the pins thereof, and all the pins of the court,

shall be of brass.

20 And thou shalt

command the children of

Israel, that they bring thee

■ pure oil olive beaten

for the light, to cause

■ the lamp to burn always.

21. In the tabernacle of the congregation

without the veil, which is before the testimony.

Aaron and his sons shall
 order it from evening to
 morning before the LORD:

■ it shall be a statute

for ever unto their generations

■ On the

■ behalf of the children

■ of Israel.

CHAPTER 28

1. And take thou unto thee

Aaron thy brother,

among the children of Israel,

that he may minister unto me in the priest's office,

even Aaron, Nadab and Abihu, Eleazar and Ithamar, Aaron's sons.

2. And thou shalt

■ make holy garments

■ for Aaron thy brother

for glory and for beauty.

3. And thou shalt

speak unto all *that*

■ are wise hearted, whom I have

filled with the spirit of wisdom, that they may

make Aaron's garments to consecrate him, that he may

minister unto me in the priest's office.

4. And these *are* the garments which they shall make;

a breastplate, and an
ephod, and a robe, and
a broidered coat, a mitre,

and a girdle: and they shall make

holy garments for
 Aaron thy brother,
 and his sons, that he may minister unto me in the priest's office.
 5. And they shall

take gold, and blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine

■ linen.

6. **And** they shall

make the ephod of gold, of blue, and of purple. of

scarlet, and fine twinedlinen, with cunning work.

7. It shall have the two shoulderpieces thereof joined at the two edges thereof;

and so it shall be ioined together.

8. And the curiousgirdle of the ephod,

which is upon it,

shall be of

the same, according to the work thereof; even of gold, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

9. And thou shalt

take two onyx stones, and grave on them

the names of the children of Israel:

10. Six of their names on one

stone, and the other
six names of the rest

six names of the reston the other stone,

according to their birth.

11. With the work of an engraver in stone, *like* the engravings of a signet, shalt thou engrave the two stones with the names of the children of Israel: thou shalt make them to be

set in ouches of gold.

■ 12. **And** thou shalt

put the two stones upon the shoulders of the ephod for stones of memorial

ephod *for* stones of memorial unto the children of Israel:

and Aaron shall bear their names before the

LORD upon his two shoulders for a memorial. 13. And thou shalt make ouches of gold; 14. And two chains of pure gold at the ends; of wreathen work shalt thou make them. and fasten the wreathen chains to the ouches. 15. And thou shall make the breastplate of judament with cunning work: after the work of the ephod thou shalt make it: of gold, of blue, and of purple, and of scarlet, and of fine twined linen, shalt thou make it. 16. Foursquare it shall be being doubled; a span shall be the length thereof, and a span shall be the breadth thereof. 17. And thou shalt set in it settings of stones, even four rows of stones: the first row shall be a sardius. a topaz, and a carbuncle: this shall be the first row. 18. And the second **row** shall be an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond. 19 And the third row a ligure, an agate, and an amethyst. 20. And the fourth row a beryl, and an onyx, and a jasper: they shall be set in gold in their enclosings. 21 And the stones shall be with the names of the children of Israel, twelve. according to their names. like the engravings of a signet; every one with his name shall they be according to the twelve tribes. ■ 22. **And** thou shalt

■ I make upon the

■ breastplate chains

■ work *of* pure gold.

■ at the ends of wreathen

23 And thou shalt make upon the breastplate two rings of gold, e i and shalt put the two rings on the two ends of the breastplate. 24. And thou shalt put the two wreathen chains of gold in the two rings which are on the ends of the breastplate. 25 And the other two ends of the two wreathen chains thou shalt fasten in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod before it. 26. And thou shalt make two rings of gold, and thou shalt put them upon the two ends of the breastplate in the border thereof, which is in the side of the ephod inward. 27. And two other rings of gold thou shalt make, and shalt put them on the two sides of the ephod underneath, toward the forepart thereof, over against the other coupling thereof. above the curious girdle of the ephod. 28. And they shall bind the breastplate by the rings thereof unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it may be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate be not loosed from the ephod. 29. And Aaron shall bear the names of the children of israel in the breastplate of judgment upon his heart, when he goeth in unto the holy place, for a memorial before the LORD continually. 30. And thou shalt put in the breastplate of judament the Urim and the

■ | Thummim; and they shall be upon Aaron's heart, when he goeth in before the LORD: and Aaron shall bear the judgment of the children of Israel upon his heart

before the

■ LORD continually.

■ 31. **And** thou shalt

make the robe of the ephod all of blue.

32. And there shall be an hole in the top of it,

in the midst thereof: it shall have a binding of

woven work round about

the hole of it as it

were the hole of an habergeon.

that it be not rent. 33. And beneath upon

the hem of it thou shalt make

pomegranates ■ of blue, and of

■ purple, and of

scarlet, round

about the hem thereof:

and bells of gold

between them round about: 34. A golden bell and a pomegranate,

a golden bell and a pomegranate. upon the hem of the robe round about.

35. And it shall be upon Agron to minister: and

his sound shall be

heard when he goeth

in unto

the holy place before the LORD, and when he cometh out,

that he die not.

36. And thou shalt

make a plate of pure

gold, and grave upon it, like the engravings of a signet.

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37 And thou shalt

put it on a blue lace. that it may be upon the mitre;

upon the forefront of the mitre it shall be

38. And it shall be

upon Aaron's forehead. that Aaron may bear the

iniquity of the holy things, which the children of Israel shall hallow in all their holy gifts; and it shall be always upon his forehead, that they may be accepted before the LÓRD.

39. And thou shalt

embroider the

coat of fine linen.

and thou shalt make

the mitre of fine linen.

and thou shalt make

the girdle of needlework

40. And for Agron's

sons thou shalt

make coats.

and thou shalt make for them

girdles, and bonnets shalt thou make for them.

for alory and for

beauty.

41. And thou shalt

put them upon

Aaron thy brother.

and his sons with him:

and shalt

anoint them, and

consecrate them.

and sanctify them, that they may minister unto

me in the priest's office.

42. And thou shalt

make them

linen breeches to

cover their nakedness; from the

loins even

unto the thighs they shall reach:

43. And they shall be upon Aaron, and upon

his sons, when they

come in unto the tabernacle of the congregation, or when they come

near unto

the altar to minister in the holy *place*; that they bear

not iniquity, and die: if shall be a statute for ever

unto him and his seed after him.

CHAPTER 29

1 And this is the thing that thou shalt

do unto them to

> hallow them, to minister unto me in the priest's office:

EXODUS 29 The Anointing a		
	Take one young	
	bullock, and two	
	rams without blemish,	
	And unleavened	
-	bread, and cakes	
1 <u>-</u>	unleavened tempered with oil, and wafers	
▮╸╽	unleavened anointed with oil:	
	of wheaten flour	
1 – 1	shalt thou make them.	
	3. And thou shalt	
	put them into one basket,	
	and bring them in the basket,	
	with the bullock and	
	the two rams.	
Ш	And Aaron and his sons thou shalt bring	
	unto the door of the	
	tabernacle of the congregation.	
-	and shalt wash them with water.	
	5. And thou shalt	
	take the garments, and put	
	upon Agron the coat, and the	
	robe of the ephod, and the ephod,	
	and the breastplate, and gird him	
	with the curious girdle of the ephod: 6. And thou shalt put the mitre	
	upon his head, and put the	
	holy crown upon the mitre.	
	7. Then shalt thou	
	take the anointing oil,	
	and pour <i>it</i> upon his	
	head, and anoint him.	
	8. And thou shalt	
	bring his sons,	
	and put coats upon them. 9. And thou shalt	
	gird them with girdles,	
-	Aaron and his sons, and	
1	put the bonnets on them:	
	and the priest's office shall	
	be theirs for a perpetual	
	statute: and thou shalt	
	consecrate Aaron and his sons.	
	1 and his sons.	
	cause a bullock to be	
	brought before the	

tabernacle of the congregation:

11. And thou shalt kill the bullock before

and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the bullock.

the LORD, by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 12. And thou shalt take of the blood of the bullock. and put it upon the horns of the altar with thy finger, and pour all the blood beside the bottom of the altar. 13 And thou shalt take all the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul that is above the liver, and the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them. and burn them upon the altar. 14. But the flesh of the bullock, and his skin, and his dung, shalt thou burn with fire without the camp: it is a sin offering. 15. Thou shalt also take one ram: and Aaron and his sons shall out their hands upon the head of the ram. And thou shalt slay the ram, and thou shalt take his blood, and sprinkle if round about upon the altar. 17. And thou shalt cut the ram in pieces, and wash the inwards of him. and his legs, and put them unto his pieces, and unto his head. 18. And thou shalt burn the whole ram upon the altar: it is a burnt offering unto the LORD: it is a sweet savour, an offering made by fire unto the LORD. 19. And thou shalt take the other ram; and Aaron and his sons shall put their hands upon the head of the ram. Then shalt thou kill the ram, and take of ■ his blood, and put

it upon the tip of the right ear of Agron, and upon the tip of the right ear of his sons, and upon the thumb of their riaht hand, and upon a i the great toe of their right foot, and sprinkle the blood upon the altar round about 21 And thou shalt take of the blood that is upon the altar, and of the anointing oil, and sprinkle it upon Agron, and upon his garments, and upon his sons, and upon the garments of his sons with him: and he shall be hallowed. and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him. 22. Also thou shalt take of the ram the fat and the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys. and the fat that is upon them. and the right shoulder; for it is a ram of consecration: 23. And one loaf of bread, and one cake of oiled bread. and one wafer out of the basket of the unleavened bread that is before the LORD: 24. And thou shalt put all in the hands of Aaron, and in the hands of his sons; and shalt wave them for a wave offering before the LORD. 25. And thou shalt receive them of their hands. and burn them upon the altar for a burnt offering. for a sweet sayour before ■ I the LORD: it is an offering made by fire unto the LORD.

26. **And** thou shalt

take the breast of the

ram of Aaron's consecration, and wave it for a wave offering before the LORD; and it shall be thy part. 27. And thou shalt sanctify the breast of the wave offering. and the shoulder of the heave offering, which is waved. and which is heaved up. of the ram of the consecration. even of that which is for Aaron, and of that which is for his sons: 28. And it shall be Aaron's and his sons' by a statute for ever from the children of Israel: for it is an heave offering; and it shall be an heave offering from the children of Israel of the sacrifice of their peace offerings, even their heave offering unto the LORD. 29. And the holy garments of Aaron shall be his sons' after him, to be anointed therein. and to be consecrated in them. 30. And that son that is priest in his stead shall put them on seven days, when he cometh into the tabernacle of the congregation to minister in the holy *place*. 31. And thou shalt take the ram of the consecration. and seethe his flesh in the holy place. 32. And Aaron and his sons shall eat the flesh of the ram and the bread that is in the basket. by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 33. And they shall eat those things wherewith the atonement was made. to consecrate and to sanctify them: but a stranger shall not eat thereof, because they are holy. 34. And if aught of the flesh of the consecrations. Of of the bread, remain unto the morning, then thou shalt burn the remainder

with fire: it shall not be eaten, because it is holv. ■ 35. And thus shalt thou do unto Aaron, and to his sons, according to all things which I have commanded thee: seven days shalt thou consecrate them. 36. And thou shalt offer every day a bullock for a sin offering for atonement: and thou shalt cleanse the altar. when thou hast made an atonement for it, and thou shalt anoint it, to sanctify it. 37. Seven days thou shalt make an atonement for the altar, and sanctify it: and it shall be an altar most holy: whatsoever toucheth the altar shall be holy. 38. Now this is that which thou shalt offer upon the altar; two lambs of the first year day by day continually. ا جو 39. The one lamb thou shalt offer in the morning; and the other lamb thou shalt offer at even: 40 And with the one lamb a tenth deal of

flour mingled with the

fourth part of an hin of beaten

at even, and shalt do thereto

offering thereof, for a sweet savour, an offering made by

42. This shall be a continual

41. And the other

lomb thou shalt offer

fire unto the LORD.

■ burnt offering throughout

congregation before the LORD:

at the door of the

■ where I will meet you,

tabernacle of the

your generations

oil; and the fourth part of an hin of wine for a drink offering. according to the meat offering of the morning, and according to the drink

to speak there unto thee. 43 And there I will meet with the children of Israel, and the tabernacle shall be sanctified by my glory. 44. And I will sanctify the tabernacle of the congregation. and the altar: I will sanctify also both Agron and his sons, to minister to me in the priest's office. 45. And I will dwell among the children of Israel, and will be their God. 46. And they shall know that I am the LORD their God, that brought them forth **Out of** the land of Egypt, that I may dwell amona them: I am ■ the LORD their God.

CHAPTER 30

■ I 1. And thou shalt make an altar to burn incense upon: of shiftim wood shalt thou make it. 2. A cubit shall be the length thereof,

and a cubit the breadth thereof; foursquare shall it be: and two

cubits shall be the height thereof; the horns thereof shall be of the same.

3. And thou shalt

overlay it with pure gold, the top thereof, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns thereof:

and thou shalt

make unto it

a crown of gold

round about.

4. And two golden

rings shalt thou make to it under the crown of it.

by the two

Corners thereof, upon the two sides of it shalt thou make it; and they shall be for places for the

staves to bear it withal.

And thou shall.

make the

staves of shittim

wood, and overlay them with gold. 6. And thou shalt put it before the veil that is by the ark of the testimony.

before the mercy seat that is over the testimony, where I will meet with thee.

7. And Aaron shall

burn thereon

sweet incense every morning: when he dresseth the lamps.

he shall burn incense upon it.

8. And when Agron lighteth the lamps at even, he shall burn incense upon it, a perpetual incense before the LORD throughout your generations.

9. Ye shall offer no strange incense thereon, nor burnt sacrifice, nor meat offering; neither shall ve pour drink offering thereon.

10. And Agron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it

once in

a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations:

it is most

holy unto the LORD. 11. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying.

12. When thou takest the sum of the children of

Israel after their number.

then shall they give every man a ransom for his soul unto the LORD.

when thou numberest them:

that there be no plague among them, when thou numberest them.

13. This they shall give, every one that passeth among them that are numbered, half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary: (a shekel is twenty gerahs:) ■ an half shekel shall be the

offering of the LORD.

14. Every one that passeth among them that are numbered,

from twenty years old and above, shall give an offering unto the LORD. 15. The rich shall not

give more, and the poor shall not give less than half a shekel, when they give an offering unto the LORD.

to make an atonement for your souls.

And thou shalt take the atonement

money of the children of Israel. and shalt

appoint it for the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; that it may be a memorial unto the children of Israel before the LORD, to make an atonement for your souls.

17. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, saving. 18. Thou shalt also

make a laver of brass, and his 6 foot *also of* brass, to wash withal: and thou shalt put it between the tabernacle of the congregation

and the altar, and thou shalt put water therein.

19. For Aaron and his sons shall wash their hands and their feet thereat:

20. When they go into the tabernacle of the congregation. they shall wash with water.

that they die not; or when they come near to the altar to minister, to burn offering made

> by fire unto the LORD: 21. So they shall wash their hands and their feet, that they die not:

and it shall be a statute for ever to them, even to him and to his seed throughout

22. Moreover the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

23 Take thou also unto thee principal spices, of pure

their generations.

myrrh five hundred shekels.

EXODUS 31 and of sweet cinnamon half so much, even two hundred and fifty shekels, and of sweet calamus two hundred and fifty shekels. 24 And of COSSIG five hundred shekels after the shekel of the sanctuary. and of oil olive an hin: 25 And thou shalt make it an oil of holy ointment. an ointment compound after the art of the apothecary; it shall be an holy anointing oil. 26 And thou shalt anoint the tabernacle of the congregation therewith, and the ark of the testimony. 27 And the table and all his vessels. and the candlestick and his vessels. and the altar of incense, 28. And the altar of burnt offering with all his vessels, and the laver and his foot. 29. And thou shalt sanctify them, that they may be most holy: whatsoever toucheth them shall be holy.

30. And thou shall

31. And thou shalt

anoint Aaron and his

unto me in the priest's office.

speak unto the children of

Israel, saying, This shall

me throughout your generations.

it not be poured, neither

shall ye make any other like it, after the composition of it:

it is holy, and it shall be

compoundeth any

■ like it. or whosoever

holy unto you. 33. **Whosoever**

be an holy anointing oil unto

32. Upon man's flesh shall

sons, and consecrate them, that they may minister

putteth any of it upon a stranaer, shall even be cut off from his people. 34. And the LORD said unto Moses, Take unto thee sweet spices, stacte. and onycha, and aalbanum: these sweet spices with pure frankingense: of each shall there be a like weight: 35 And thou shalt make it a perfume, a confection after the art of the apothecary. tempered together, pure and holy: 36 And thou shalt beat some of it very small, and put of it before the testimony in the tabernacle of the congregation. where I will meet with thee: it shall be unto you most holy. 37. **And** as for the perfume which thou shalt make. ve shall not make to yourselves according to the composition thereof: it shall be unto thee holy for the LORD. 38. Whosoever shall make like unto that, to smell thereto, shall even be cut off from his people.

CHAPTER 31

Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah: 3. And I have filled him with the spirit of God, in wisdom, and in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, 4. To devise cunning works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass, 5. And in cutting of stones, to set them, and in carving of timber, to work in all manner of workmanship.

6. And I. behold, I

1. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, saying, 2. See, I have called by name 131 have given with him Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan: and in the hearts of all that are wise hearted I have put wisdom, that they may make all that I have commanded thee: 7 The tabernacle of the congregation, and the ark of the testimony, and the mercy seat that is thereupon. and all the furniture of the tabernacle. 8 And the table and his furniture, and the oure candlestick with all his furniture and the altar of incense. 9. And the altar of burnt offering with all his furniture, and the laver and his foot. 10. And the cloths of service, and the holy garments for Agron the priest. and the garments of his sons, to minister in the priest's office. 11. And the anointing oil. and sweet incense for the holy place: according to all that I have commanded thee shall they do. 12. And the LORD

spake unto Moses, saving.

13. Speak thou also unto the children of

Israel, saying, Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep:

for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations;

that ye may know that

I am the LORD that doth sanctify you.

14. Ye shall keep

the sabbath therefore:

for it is holy unto you: ■ | every one that

defileth it shall surely

be put to death: for whosoever doeth any work therein, that soul shall be cut off from among his people.

■ 15. Six days may work be

done: but in the seventh is the sabbath of rest, holy to the LORD: whosoever doeth any work in the sabbath day, he shall surely be put to death. Wherefore the children of Israel shall keep the sabbath, to observe the sabbath throughout their generations. for a perpetual covenant. 17. **It is a sign** between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the LORD

made heaven and earth.

and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed.

18. And he gave unto Moses, when he had

made an end of communing with him upon mount Sinai. two tables of

testimony, tables of stone, written with the

finger of God.

CHAPTER 32

1. And when the people saw that Moses delayed to come down out of the mount. the people gathered themselves together unto Aaron, and said unto him, Up. make us gods, which shall go before us; for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt. we wot not what is

become of him.

And Agron said unto them. Break off the golden

earrings, which are in the ears of your wives, of your sons, and of your daughters,

and bring them unto me.

And all

> the people brake off the golden earrings which were in their ears, and

brought them unto Agron.

 And he received them at their hand, and fashioned it with a graving tool, after he had

made it

a molten calf: and they

■ I said. These be thy gods, O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. ■ 5 And when Agron saw it, he built an altar before it: and Aaron made proclamation, and said. To-morrow is a feast to the LORD. 6. And they rose up early on the morrow, and offered burnt offerings, and brought ■ peace offerings: and the people sat down to eat and to drink, and rose up to play. 7. And the LORD said unto Moses. Go. get thee down; for thy people, which thou broughtest out of the land of Egypt, have corrupted themselves: 8. They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These be thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And the LORD said unto Moses, I have seen this people, and, behold, it is a stiffnecked people: 10. Now therefore let me alone, that my wrath may wax hot against them, and that I may consume ■ them: and I will make ■ of thee a great nation. 11. And Moses besought the LORD his God. and said, LORD, why doth thy wrath wax hot against thy people, which thou hast brought forth

out of the land of Egypt with great power, and with a mighty hand? 12. Wherefore should the Egyptians speak, and say. For mischief did he bring them out, to slav them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth? Turn from thy fierce wrath, and repent of this evil against thy people. 13. Remember Abraham, Isaac. and Israel, thy servants, to whom thou swarest by thine own self, and saidst unto them. I will multiply your seed as the stars of heaven. and all this land that I have spoken of will I give unto your seed. and they shall inherit it for ever. 14. And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people. 15. And Moses turned, and went down from the mount. and the two tables of the testimony *were* in his hand: the tables were written on both their sides; on the one side and on the other were they written. 16 And the tables were the work of God. and the writing was the writing of God, graven upon the tables. 17. And when Joshua heard the noise of the people as they shouted. he said unto Moses. There is a noise of War in the camp. 18. And he said, It is not the voice of them that shout for mastery. neither is it the voice of them that cry for being overcome: but the noise of them that sing do I hear. 19. And it came to pass, as soon as he came nigh

I ■ I unto the camp, that

133 he saw the calf and the dancing: and Moses anger waxed hot, and he cast the tables out of his hands. and brake them beneath the mount. 20. And he took the calf which they had made. and burnt if in the fire. and around it to powder, and strawed it upon the water. and made the children of Israel drink of it. 21. And Moses said unto Aaron. What did this people unto thee. that thou hast brought so great a sin upon them? 22. And Aaron said, Let not ■ the anger of my lord wax **hot**: thou knowest the people, that they *are set* on mischief. 23. For they said unto me. Make us gods, which shall go before us: for as for this Moses, the man that brought us up out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him. 24. And I said unto them. Whosoever hath any gold, let them break if off. So they gave it me: then I cast it into the fire, and there came out this calf. 25. And when Moses saw that the people were naked: (for Aaron had made them naked unto their shame among their enemies:) 26. Then Moses stood . in the gate of the camp, and said, Who is on the LORD's side? let him come unto me. And ■ all the sons of Levi gathered themselves l together unto him. 27. And he said unto them, l Thus saith the

LORD God of Israel.

Put every man his

sword by his side, and

go in and out from date to gate throughout the camp. and slay every man his brother, and every man his companion, and every man his neighbour. 28. And the children of Levi did according to the word of Moses: and there fell of the people that day about three thousand men. 29. For Moses had said. Consecrate yourselves today to the LORD, even every man upon his son, and upon his brother: that he may bestow upon you a blessing this day. 30. And it came to pass on the morrow, that Moses said unto the people. Ye have sinned a great sin: and now I will go up unto the LORD; peradventure I shall make an atonement for your sin. 31. And Moses returned unto the LORD, and said, Oh. this people have sinned a great sin, and have made them gods of gold. 32. Yet now, if thou wilt forgive their sin-; and if not, blot me. I pray thee. out of thy book which thou hast written. 33 And the LORD said unto Moses. Whosoever hath sinned against me. him will I blot out of my book. 34 Therefore now go, lead the people unto the place of which I have spoken unto thee: behold. mine Angel shall go before thee: nevertheless in the day when I visit I will visit their sin upon them. 35. And the LORD

plagued the people,

- I■I because they made ■ the calf, which Aaron made.
- **CHAPTER 33**
 - 1. And the LORD said
- unto Moses, Depart, and
 - **GO UD** hence.
- thou and the people

which thou hast brought up out of the land of Egypt.

- unto the land which I sware unto Abraham, to
- Isaac, and to
- Jacob, saving, Unto thy seed will I give it:
- 2. And I will send an angel before thee: and I will drive out

the Canaanite, the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, the Hivite, and the Jebusite:

- 3. Unto a land flowing with milk and honey:
- for I will not go up in the midst of thee; for thou art

a stiffnecked people: lest I consume thee in the way.

- 4. And when
 - the people heard these evil tidings, they

mourned: and no man did

- put on him his ornaments
- For the LORD had said unto Moses, Sav unto the children of Israel.

Ye are a stiffnecked

- people: I will come up into
- the midst of thee in a moment.
- and consume thee:
- therefore now
- put off thy
- ornaments from thee.
- that I may know
- what to do unto thee.
 - 6. And the children of
- Israel stripped themselves of their ornaments

by the mount Horeb.

- And Moses took the tabernacle, and pitched
- if without the camp,
- afar off from the
 - camp, and called it the
 - Tabernacle of the congregation.

And it came to pass. that

- every one which sought the LORD went out unto the
- tabernacle of the congregation, which was without the camp.
- And it came to pass.
- when Moses went out
- unto the tabernacle, that all the people rose up, and stood
- every man at his tent door, and
- looked after Moses.
- until he was gone into the tabernacle.
- 9 And it came to pass.
- as Moses entered into the tabernacle, the cloudy pillar descended, and stood at
 - the door of the tabernacle
- and the Lord
- talked with Moses. 10. And all the people saw
- the cloudy pillar stand at the tabernacle door; and all the people rose up
- and worshipped, every man in his tent door.
- 11 And the LORD spake
- unto Moses face to face.
- as a man speaketh unto his friend. And he
- turned again into the
- camp: but his servant Joshua, the son of
- Nun, a young man, departed not out
- of the tabernacle. 12. And Moses said
- unto the LORD. See.
- thou sayest unto me.
- Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou will send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.
- Now therefore.
- I pray thee, if I have
 - found grace in thy sight,
- shew me now thy way, that I may know thee, that I may find grace in thy sight: and consider that this nation is thy people.
- 14. And he said, My presence shall go with

thee, and I will give thee rest. 15. And he said unto him. If ■ thy presence go not with me, carry us not up hence. 16. For wherein shall it be known here that I and thy people have found grace in thy sight? is it not in that thou goest with us? so shall we be **separated**, I and thy people, from all the people that are upon the face of the earth. 17 And the LORD said unto Moses. I will do this thing also that thou hast spoken: for thou hast found grace in my sight, and I know thee by name. 18. And he said. I beseech thee. shew me thy glory. 19. And he said, I will make all my goodness pass before thee, and I will proclaim the name of the LORD before thee: and will be gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will shew mercy on whom I will shew mercy. 20 And he said. Thou canst not see my face:for there shall no man see me, and live. 21. And the LORD

said. Behold.

while my glory

passeth by, that

of the rock, and will

cover thee with my

and thou shalt see

my back parts:

but my face shall

not be seen.

■ | hand while I pass by:

there is a place by me, and

23. And I will take away mine hand,

thou shalt stand upon a rock:

I will put thee in a clift

22. And it shall come to pass.

CHAPTER 34

 And the LORD said unto Moses, Hew thee two tables of

stone like unto the first:

and I will write upon these tables

the words that were in the

first tables, which thou brakest. 2. And be ready in the morning, and

come up in the

morning unto mount Sinai, and present thyself there

to me in the top of the mount. 3. And no man shall come

up with thee, neither let any man be seen throughout all the mount; neither let the flocks nor herds feed. before that mount.

4. And he hewed two tables of stone like unto the first; and . Moses rose up early in the morning. and went up

unto mount Sinai. as the LORD had commanded him, and took in his hand.

the two tables of stone And the LORD

descended in the cloud. and stood with him there, and proclaimed the name of the LORD.

6. And the LORD passed by before him, and

proclaimed. The LORD.

The LORD God, merciful and gracious.

longsuffering, and abundant in

goodness and truth,

7. **Keepina**

mercy for thousands,

forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear

the guilty; visiting the iniquity of the fathers

upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto

the third and to the

fourth *generation*. 8. And Moses made haste, and

bowed his head toward the earth. **EXODUS 34** and worshipped. 9. And he said. If now I have found grace in thy sight, O LORD, let my LORD, I pray thee, go among us; for it is a stiffnecked people: and pardon our iniquity and our sin, and take us for thine inheritance. 10. And he said, Behold. I make a covenant: before all thy people I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou art shall see the work of the LORD: for it is a terrible thing that I will do with thee. 11. Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold. I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite. and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. 12. Take heed to thyself. lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee: 13. But ve shall destroy their altars,

break their images, and **-**1 cut down their groves:

14. For thou shalt

worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name is Jealous, is a jealous God:

15. Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and one call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice:

16. And thou take of their daughters unto thy sons, and their daughters go a whoring after their gods, and make thy sons go a whoring after their gods.

17 Thou shalt make thee

no molten gods.

18. The feast of unleavened bread shalt thou

keep. Seven days thou shall eat unleavened bread, as I commanded thee, in the time of the month Abib; for in the month

Abib thou camest out from Egypt. 19. **All that openeth the**

matrix is mine; and every firstling among thy cattle, whether ox or sheep.

that is male.

20. But the firstling of an ass thou shalt redeem with a lamb:

and if thou redeem *him* not then shalt thou break his neck.

All the firstborn of thy sons thou shalt redeem. And none shall appear

before me empty. 21 Six days thou

shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest: in earing time and in

harvest thou shalt rest.

And thou shalt observe. the feast of weeks, of the firstfruits of wheat harvest, and the feast of ingathering at the year's end.

23. Thrice in the year shall all your men children

appear before the LORD God, the God of Israel.

24. For I will cast out the

nations before thee, and

enlarge thy borders: neither shall any man

desire thy land, when thou shalt go up to appear before the LORD thy God thrice in the year.

25. Thou shalt not offer the

blood of my sacrifice with leaven: neither shall the sacrifice of

the feast of the passover

be left unto the morning.

26. **The** first of the

firstfruits of thy land thou shalt bring unto the house of the

LORD thy God. Thou shalt not seethe a kid in his mother's milk

■ 1.27 And the LORD said unto Moses. Write thou these words: for after the tenor of these words. I have made a covenant with thee and with Israel.

28. And he was there with the LORD forty

davs and forty

niahts: he did neither eat bread

nor drink water

And he wrote upon the tables

the words of the covenant. the ten commandments.

29. And it came to pass,

when Moses came down from mount Sinai

with the two tables of

testimony in Moses' hand, when

he came down from the mount that Moses

wist not that the skin of his face shone while he talked with him.

30. And when

Aaron and all the children of

Israel saw Moses, behold, the skin of his face shone; and they

were afraid to come nigh him.

31. And Moses called unto them: and Aaron and all the rulers of the congregation returned unto him: and Moses talked with them

32. And afterward all the

children of Israel came nigh: and he gave them

in commandment all that the LORD had

spoken with him in mount Sinai.

33. And till Moses had done speaking with them, he put a veil on his face.

34. But when Moses went in

before the LORD

to speak with him.

he took the veil off, until he came out. And he came out, and spake unto the children of Israel that which he was commanded.

35. And the children of Israel saw the face of Moses.

that the skin of Moses' face

shone: and Moses put the veil upon his face again,

until he went in to

|■| speak with him.

CHAPTER 35

1. And Moses aathered all the congregation of the children of Israel

together, and said unto them. These are the words which

the LORD hath commanded.

that ve should do them.

2. Six davs shall work be done, but on

the seventh day there

shall be to you an holy day.

a sabbath of rest to

the LORD: whosoever doeth work therein shall be put to death.

3 Ye shall kindle no fire. throughout your habitations upon the sabbath day.

> 4. And Moses spake unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, saving. This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying.

5. **Take** ye from among you an offering unto the

LORD: whosoever is of a willing heart,

let him bring it.

an offering of the LORD;

gold, and

silver, and brass,

6. And blue, and purple, and

scarlet, and fine

linen, and goats hair,

7. And rams' skins

dved red, and

badaers' skins, and shittim wood,

- 1 And oil for the light,

and spices for anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

9 And onvx stones, and stones to be set

for the ephod, and for the

breastplate. 10. And every wise ■ hearted among you shall come, and make all that the LORD hath commanded:

11. The tabernacle, his tent. and his covering, his taches. and his boards, his bars, his pillars, and his sockets.

12. The ark, and the staves thereof, with the mercy seat. and the veil of the covering.

13. The table, and his staves, and all his vessels, and the shewbread.

14. The candlestick also for the light, and his furniture, and his lamps, with the oil for the light,

15. And the incense altar. and his staves, and the anointing oil, and the sweet incense, and the hanging for the door at the entering in of the tabernacle.

16. The altar of burnt offering, with his brasen grate. his staves, and all his vessels,

the laver and his foot.

17. The hangings of the court, his pillars, and their sockets,

and the hanging for the door of the court,

18. **The pins** of the tabernacle. and the pins of the court, and

their cords.

19. The cloths of service, to do service in the holy place.

the holy garments

for Aaron the priest.

and the garments of

his sons, to minister in the priest's office.

20. And all the

congregation of the children of Israel

departed from the presence of Moses.

21. And they came,

every one whose heart stirred him up.

and every one whom

■ his spirit made willing, and they brought the LORD's

offering to the work of the

tabernacle of the congregation. and for all his service, and for the holy garments.

22. And they came, both men and women, as many as were willing hearted,

and brought bracelets, and earrings, and rings, and tablets. all jewels of gold; and every man that offered offered

an offering of gold unto the LORD.

23. And every man, with whom was found blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine linen, and goats' hair, and red skins of rams, and badgers' skins, brought them.

24. Every one that did offer an offering of silver and brass brought the LORD's offering: and every man, with whom was found shittim wood for any work of the service, brought it.

25. **And** all

the women that were wise-hearted

did spin with their hands, and brought

that which they had spun,

both of

blue, and of

purple, and of scarlet, and of

fine linen.

26. And all the women whose heart stirred them up in wisdom spun

goats' *hair*.

27. And the rulers

brought onyx

stones, and stones to be set, for the ephod, and for the

breastplate:

> 28. And spice, and oil for the light, and for the anointing oil, and for the sweet incense.

29. The children of Israel

brought a willing offering unto the LORD,

every man and woman, whose heart made them willing to bring for all manner of work,

which the LORD had commanded to be

made by the hand of Moses.

30 And Moses said

unto the children of Israel, See,
the LORD hath called by name
Bezaleel the son of Uri, the

son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah;

 filled him with the spirit
 of God, in wisdom, in understanding, and in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship;

and in all manner of workmanship; 32. And to devise curious works, to work in gold, and in silver, and in brass.

33. And in the cutting of stones, to set *them*, and in carving of wood, to make any manner of cunning work.

34. And he hath put in his heart that he may teach,
both he, and Aholiab, the son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

■ 35. Them hath he filled with wisdom of heart.

to work all manner of work, of the engraver, and of the cunning workman, and of the embroiderer, in blue, and in purple, in scarlet, and in fine linen, and of the weaver,

even of them that do any work, and of those that devise cunning work.

CHAPTER 36

 Then wrought Bezaleel and Aholiab. and every wise hearted man, in whom the LORD put wisdom and understanding to know how to work all manner of work for the service of the sanctuary, according to all that the LORD had commanded.

2. And Moses called
Bezaleel and Aholiab,
and every wise hearted
man, in whose heart the LORD

man, in whose heart the LORD had put wisdom, even every one whose heart stirred him up

to come unto the work to do it:

3. And they

received of Moses all

■ the offering,

■ which the children of

■ Israel had brought for the work of the service of

■ the sanctuary.

| to make it withal.

And they brought vet unto him free

brought yet unto him free
offerings every morning.
4. And all the wise

4. And all the wise men, that wrought all

the work of the sanctuary, came every man

from his work which they made;

5. And they spake unit

spake unto Moses, saying, The people bring much more than enough for the service of the work, which

service of the work, which the LORD commanded to make.

6. And Moses gave

commandment, and they caused it to be proclaimed throughout the camp, saying.

Let neither man nor woman make any more work
 for the offering of the sanctuary.

So the people were restrained from bringing.

7. For the stuff they had was

sufficient for all the work to make it, and too much.

■ Work to make 8. And every

wise-hearted man among

them that wrought the work of the tabernacle made ten curtains of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet: with cherubims of cunning work made he them.

9. The length of one curtain was twenty and eight cubits, and the breadth of one curtain four cubits: the curtains were all of one size.

10. And he coupled the five curtains one unto another: and the *other* five curtains he coupled one unto another.

11. And he made loops of blue on the edge of one curtain from the selvedge in the coupling: likewise he made in the uttermost side of *another* curtain, in the coupling of the second.

12. Fifty loops made he in one curtain, and fifty loops made he in the edge of the curtain which was in the coupling of the second: the loops held one *curtain* to another.

- 13. And he made fifty taches of gold, and coupled the curtains one unto another with the taches: so it became one tabernacle.
- 14. And he
- made curtains of goats' hair
- for the tent over the tabernacle:
- curtains he made them.
 15. The length of one curtain was thirty cubits, and four cubits was
 - thirty cubits, and four cubits was the breadth of one curtain: the eleven curtains were of one size.

 16. And he coupled five curtains by themselves, and six curtains by themselves.
 - 17. And he made fifty loops upon the uttermost edge of the curtain in the coupling, and fifty loops made he upon the edge of the curtain which coupleth the second.
 - 18. And he made fifty taches of brass to couple the tent together, that it might be one.
- 19. And he made a
 covering for the tent of rams'
 skins dyed red, and a covering
 of badgers' skins above that.
- 20. And he madeboards for the tabernacle
 - of shittim wood, standing up.
 21. The length of a board was ten cubits, and the breadth of a board one cubit and a half.
 22. One board had two tenons, equally distant one from another: thus did he make for all the boards of the tabernacle.
 - 23. And he made boards for the tabernacle; twenty boards for the south side southward:
 - 24. And forty sockets of silver he made under the twenty boards; two sockets under one board for his two tenons, and two sockets under another board for his two tenons.
 - 25. And for the other side of the tabernacle, *which is* toward the north corner, he made twenty boards,
 - And their forty sockets of silver;
 two sockets under one board, and two sockets under another board.
 And for the sides of the

- tabernacle westward he
- 28. And two boards made he for the corners of the tabernacle in the two sides.
- 29. And they were coupled beneath, and coupled together at the head thereof, to one ring: thus he did to both of them in both the corners.30. And there were eight boards;
- And there were eight boards and their sockets were sixteen sockets of silver, under every board two sockets.
- 31. And he made bars of shittim wood; five
- for the boards of the one side of the tabernacle,
 - 32. And five bars for the boards of the other side of the tabernacle, and five bars for the boards of the tabernacle for the sides westward.
 - 33. And he made the middle bar to shoot through the boards from the one end to the other.
- 34. And he overlaid the■ boards with gold, and
- made their rings of
- gold to be places for the bars,
- and overlaid the bars with gold.
- 35. And he made a veil of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: with cherubims made he it of cunning work.
- 36. And he made thereunto four pillars of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold: their hooks were of gold; and he cast for them four sockets of silver.
- 37. And he made anhanging for the tabernacle
- door of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen, of needlework;
 - 38. And the five pillars of it with their hooks: and he overlaid their chapiters and their fillets with gold: but their five sockets were of brass.

CHAPTER 37

■ 1. And Bezaleel made the

a half was the length of it, and a

cubit and a half the breadth of it, and a cubit and a half the height of it: 2. And he overlaid it with

pure gold within and without, and made a crown of gold to it round about.

- 3. And he cast for it four rings of gold, to be set by the four corners of it: even two rings upon the one side of it, and two rings upon the other side of it.
- 4 And he made staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.
- 5. And he put the staves into the rings by the sides of the ark, to bear the ark.
- 6 And he made the mercy seat of pure gold: two cubits and a half was the length thereof, and one cubit and a half the breadth thereof.

7. And he made two cherubims of gold, beaten out of one piece made he them. on the two ends of the mercy seat:

- 8. One cherub on the end on this side, and another cherub on the other end on that side; out of the mercy seat made he the cherubims on the two ends thereof
- 9. And the cherubims spread out their wings on high, and covered with their wings over the mercy seat, with their faces one to another; even to the mercy seatward were the faces of the cherubims.
- 10 And he made the table of shittim wood; two cubits was the length thereof, and a cubit the breadth thereof, and a cubit and a half the height thereof:

11. And he overlaid it with pure gold, and made thereunto a crown of gold round about.

- 12. Also he made thereunto a border of an handbreadth round about: and made a crown of gold for the border thereof round about.
- 13. And he cast for it four rings of gold, and put the rings upon the four corners that were in the four feet thereof

Over against the border were the rings, the places for the staves to bear the table. 15. And he made the

staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them

with gold, to bear the table. 16. And he made the

vessels which were upon the table, his dishes, and his spoons, and his bowls, and his

covers to cover withal, of pure gold. 17. And he made the candlestick of pure

gold: of beaten work made he the candlestick; his shaft, and his branch, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, were of the same:

- And six branches going out of the sides thereof: three branches of the candlestick out of the one side thereof, and three branches. of the candlestick out of the other side thereof:
- 19 Three howls made after the fashion of almonds in one branch, a knop and a flower; and three bowls made like almonds in another branch, a knop and a flower; so throughout the six branches going out of the candlestick. 20. And in the candlestick were
- four bowls made like almonds his knops, and his flowers: 21. And a knop under two branches

of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, and a knop under two branches of the same, according to the six branches going out of it. 22. Their knops and their

branches were of the same; all of it was one beaten work of pure gold.

23. And he made his even lamps, and his

snuffers, and his snuffdishes, of pure gold.

24. Of a talent of pure gold made he it. and all the vessels thereof.

25. And he made the incense altar of shittim wood: the length of it was a cubit, and the breadth of it a cubit: it was foursquare: and two cubits was the height of it. the horns thereof were of the same.

- 26. And he overlaid it with pure gold, both the top of it, and the sides thereof round about, and the horns of it: also he made unto it a crown of gold round about. 27. And he made two rings of gold for it under the crown thereof, by the two corners of it, upon the two sides thereof, to be places for the staves to bear it withal. 28. And he made the staves of shittim wood, and overlaid them with gold.
- 29. And he made the holy ■ | anointing oil, and the pure
- incense of sweet
- spices, according to the work of the apothecary.

CHAPTER 38

- 1. And he made the altar of
- burnt offering of shittim wood: five cubits was the length thereof, and five cubits the breadth thereof: it was foursquare: and three cubits the height thereof.
- 2. And he made the horns thereof on the four corners of it: the horns thereof were of the same; and he
- overlaid it
- with brass.
- 3 And he made
 - all the vessels of the altar. the pots, and the shovels, and the basins, and the fleshhooks, and the firepans: all the vessels thereof
- made he *of* brass.
 - 4. And he made for the altar a brasen. grate of network under the compass thereof beneath unto the midst of it.
- 5. And he cast four rings for the four ends of the grate of brass, to be places for the staves.
- 6. And he made the staves of shittim wood, and
- overlaid them
- with brass.
- 7. And he put the
- staves into the rings

- on the sides of the altar. to bear it withat he made the altar hollow with boards
- 8. And he made the layer of brass, and the foot of it of brass, of the looking glasses of the women assembling, which assembled at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation
- And he made the court: on the south side southward the
- hangings of the court were of fine twined linen, an hundred cubits: 10. Their pillars
- were twenty. and their brasen.
- sockets twenty: the hooks of the pillars and their fillets were of silver.
 - 11. And for the north side the hangings were an hundred cubits. their pillars were twenty, and their sockets of brass twenty; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver. 12. And for the west side were
 - hangings of fifty cubits, their pillars ten, and their sockets ten; the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver.
 - And for the east side. eastward fifty cubits.
 - 14. The hangings of the one side of the gate were fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three. 15. And for the other side of the court. gate, on this hand and that hand, were hangings of fifteen cubits; their pillars three, and their sockets three.
 - 16. All the hangings of the court round about were of fine twined linen.
 - 17. And the sockets for the pillars were of brass: the hooks of the pillars and their fillets of silver; and the overlaving of their chapiters of silver; and all the pillars of the court were filleted with silver.
- 18. And the hanging for the gate of the court was needlework, of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen: and twenty cubits was the length, and the height in the breadth was five cubits, answerable to the hangings of the court.
- 19. And their pillars were four, and their sockets of brass.

four: their hooks of silver, and the overlaving of their chapiters and their fillets of silver.

20. And all the pins of the

tahernacle, and of the court round about, were of brass.

21 This is the sum of the tabernacle, even

of the tabernacle of testimony, as it was

counted, according to the commandment of Moses.

for the service of the Levites, by the hand of

Ithamar, son to

Agron the priest.

22 And Bezaleel the son Urithe son of Hur, of the tribe of Judah.

made all that the LORD commanded Moses

23 And with him was

Aholiab, son of Ahisamach, of the tribe of Dan.

an engraver, and a cunning workman, and an embroiderer in blue, and in purple, and in scarlet, and fine linen.

24. All the

gold that was occupied for the work in all the work

of the holy place, even

the gold of the offering.

was twenty and nine talents, and

seven hundred and thirty shekels, after the

shekel of the sanctuary.

25. And the silver of them that were numbered of the congregation

was an hundred talents, and a

thousand seven

■ i hundred and

threescore and fifteen shekels, after

the shekel of the sanctuary:

26. A bekah for every man, that is,

half a shekel, after the shekel of the sanctuary.

for every one that went to be

numbered, from twenty years old and upward, for

six hundred thousand

and three thousand and five hundred and fifty men.

27. And of the hundred

talents of silver were cast

the sockets of the sanctuary, and the sockets of

the veil; an hundred

sockets of the hundred

talents, a talent for a socket.

28 And of the

thousand seven hundred seventy and

five *shekels* he made

hooks for the pillars, and overlaid their chapiters.

and filleted them.

29 And the brass of the offering was

seventy talents. and two thousand and four hundred shekels.

30. And therewith

he made the sockets

to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and

the brasen altar, and

the brasen

arate for it. and all the

vessels of the altar.

31 And the sockets of the court round about.

and the sockets of

the court gate, and all the pins of the

tabernacle, and all the pins of

the court round about

CHAPTER 39

1. And of the blue, and purple, and scarlet.

they made cloths of service,

to do service in the holy place, and made the

holy garments for Aaron; as the LORD commanded Moses.

And he made the

ephod of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.

And they did

beat the

gold into thin plates,

and cut it into wires, to

- work it in the blue, and in the purple, and in the
 - scarlet, and in the fine linen, with cunning work. 4. They made shoulderpieces for it.
 - to couple it together; by the two edges was it coupled together.
 - 5. And the curious airdle of his ephod. that was upon it, was of the same. according to the work thereof: of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen; as the LORD commanded Moses.
- 6. And they wrought onyx stones inclosed in ouches of gold, graven, as signets are graven,
- with the names of the children of Israel.
 - 7. And he put them on the shoulders of the ephod, that they should be stones for a memorial to the children of Israel: as the LORD commanded Moses.
- 8. And he made the breastplate of cunning
 - WORK, like the work of the ephod; of gold, blue, and purple, and scarlet, and fine twined linen.
 - 9. It was foursquare; they made the breastplate double: a span was the length thereof, and a span the breadth thereof, being doubled.
- 10. And they set in it four rows of stones: the first row was a sardius, a topaz, and a carbuncle: this was the first row.
 - 11. And the second row, an emerald, a sapphire, and a diamond. 12. And the third row, a liqure, an agate, and an amethyst.
 - 13. And the fourth row, a beryl, an onyx, and a jasper: they were enclosed in ouches of gold in their enclosings.
 - 14. And the stones were according to the names of the children of Israel, twelve, according to their names, like the engravings of a signet, every one with his name,
- according to the twelve tribes.
 - 15. And they made upon the breastplate

- Chains at the ends of wreathen work
- of pure gold. 16. **And** they made
 - two ouches of gold, and two
- gold rings; and put the two rings in the two ends of the breastplate.
- 17. And they
- put the two wreathen
- chains of gold
- in the wo
- rings on the ends of the breastplate.
 - 18. And the two ends of the two wreathen chains they fastened in the two ouches, and put them on the shoulderpieces of the ephod, before it.
 - 19. And they made two rings of gold, and put them on the two ends of the breastplate, upon the border of it, which was on the side of the ephod inward.
- 20. And they made two other golden rings, and put them on the two sides of
- the ephod underneath, toward the forepart of it, over against the other coupling thereof, above the curious girdle of the ephod.
 - 21. And they did bind the breastplate by his rings unto the rings of the ephod with a lace of blue, that it might be above the curious girdle of the ephod, and that the breastplate might not be loosed from the ephod; as the LORD commanded Moses.
- 22. And he made the robe of the ephod of woven work, all of blue.
 - 23. And there was an hole in the midst of the robe, as the hole of an habergeon, with a band round about the hole, that it should not rend.
- 24. **And** they made
- upon the hems of the robe pomegranates of blue, and purple, and scarlet, and twined linen.
- 25. And they made
- bells of pure gold, and put the bells between the
- pomegranates upon the hem of the robe, round

about between the pomegranates; 26. A bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate, round about the hem of the robe to minister *in*; as the LORD commanded Moses.

27. And they made coats of fine linen of woven work for Aaron, and for his sons,

■ 28. And a mitre of fine linen, and goodly

■ bonnets of fine linen,

■ and linen

■ breeches of fine twined linen,

29. **And a girdle** of fine twined linen, and blue, and purple, and scarlet. of needlework:

■ as the LORD

commanded Moses.

30. And they made the plate of the holy crown of pure gold,
 and wrote upon it a writing,

like to the engravings of a signet, HOLINESS TO THE LORD.

31. And they tied unto it a lace of blue, to fasten it on high upon the mitre; as the LORD commanded Moses

■ 32. Thus was all

the work of the tabernacle
of the tent of the congregation
finished; and the children

finished: and the children of Israel did according to

■ all that the

■ LORD commanded

■ Moses: so did thev.

■ 33. And they brought the tabernacle unto Moses.

the tent: and all his furniture, his taches, his boards, his bars, and his pillars, and his sockets,

34. And the covering of rams' skins dyed red, and the covering of badgers' skins, and the veil of the covering.

35. The ark of the testimony, and the staves thereof, and the mercy seat,

■ 36. **The table**, and all the vessels thereof, and the shewbread,

■ 37. **The** pure

candlestick, with the lamps thereof, even with the lamps to be set in order, and all the vessels Ihereof, and the oil for light,
38. And the golden altar,
and the anointing oil, and the
sweet incense, and the
hanging for the labernacle door,

39. The brasen altar, and his grate of brass, his staves, and all his vessels, the laver and his foot,

40. The hangings of the court, his pillars, and his sockets. and the hanging for the court gate, his cords, and his pins, and all the vessels of the service of the tabernacle, for the tent of the congregation,

41. The cloths of service to do service in the holy *place*,

and the holy garments
for Aaron the priest, and
his sons' garments, to
minister in the priest's office.
42. According to all that the

42. According to all that the LORD commanded Moses, so the children of Israel made all the work.

■ 43. And Moses did

■ look upon all

■ the work, and, behold,

■ they had done it

as the LORD had commanded.

even so had they done it:

and Moses blessed them.

CHAPTER 40

■ 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2. On the first day of the first month shalt thou
 set up the tabernacle

of the tent of the congregation.

■ 3. **And** thou shalt

put therein the ark of the testimony.

and cover the

ark with the veil.

4. **And** thou shalt

bring in the table, andset in order the things

that are to be set in order

■ upon it; and thou shalt

bring in the candlestick,
and light the lamps thereof.

I 5. And thou shalt

EXODUS 40 set the altar of gold for the incense before **the ark** of the testimony. and put the hanging of the door to the tabernacle. 6. And thou shalt set the altar of the burnt offering before the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation. 7. And thou shalt set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and shalt put water therein. 8. And thou shalt set up the court round about. and hang up the hanging at the court gate. 9. And thou shalt take the anointing oil. and anoint the tabernacle. and all that is therein, and shalt hallow it, and all the vessels thereof: and it shall be holy. 10. And thou shalt anoint the altar of the burnt offering, and all his vessels, and sanctify the altar: and it shall be an altar most holv. 11. And thou shalt anoint the laver and his foot. and sanctify it. 12. And thou shalt bring Aaron and his sons unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and wash them with water. 13. And thou shalt put upon Aaron the holy garments, and anoint him. and sanctify him: that he may minister unto me in the priest's office. 14. And thou shalt bring his sons,

and clothe them with coats:

unto me in the priest's office:

anoint them, as thou didst anoint

their father, that they may minister

15. And thou shalt

for their anointing

shall surely be an everlasting priesthood throughout their generations. 16. Thus did Moses: according to all that the LORD commanded him, so did he. 17. And it came to pass in the first month in the second year, on the first day of the month, that the tabernacle was reared up. 18. And Moses reared up the tabernacle, and fastened his sockets, and set up the boards thereof, and put in the bars thereof. and reared up his pillars. 19. And he spread abroad the tent over the tabernacle, and put the covering of the tent above upon it: as the LORD commanded Moses. 20. And he took and put the testimony into the ark, and set the staves on the ark, and put the mercy seat above upon the ark: 21. And he brought the ark into the tabernacle, and set up the veil of the covering, and covered the ark of the testimony; as the LORD commanded Moses. 22. And he put the table in the tent of the congregation, upon the side of the tabernacle northward. without the veil. 23. And he set the bread in order upon it before the LORD: as the LORD had commanded Moses. 24. And he put the candlestick in the tent of the congregation, over against the table, on the side of the tabernacle southward. 25. And he lighted the lamps before the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses. 26. And he put the golden altar in the tent of the congregation before the veil: 27 And he burnt sweet

147 incense thereon: as the LOBD commanded Moses. 28. And he set up the hanging at the door of the tabernacle. 29. And he put the altar of burnt offering by the door of the tabernacle of the tent of the congregation. and offered upon it the burnt offering and the meat offering; as the LORD commanded Moses. 30 And he set the laver between the tent of the congregation and the altar, and put water there, to wash withat. 31. And Moses and Agron and his sons washed their hands and their feet thereat: 32. When they went into the tent of the congregation. and when they came near unto ■ the altar, they washed:

as the LORD commanded Moses

33 And he regred

up the court

round about

the tabernacle and the altar, and et up the hanging of the court gate. So Moses finished the work. 34. Then a cloud covered the tent of the congregation, and the alory of the LORD filled the tabernacle 35. And Moses was not able to enter into the tent of the congregation, because the cloud abode thereon, and the glory of the LORD filled the tabernacle. 36 And when the cloud was taken up from over the tabernacle. the children of Israel went onward in all their iournevs: 37. But if the cloud were not taken up, then they journeyed **not** till the day that it was taken up. 38 For the cloud of the LORD was upon the tabernacle by day, and fire was on it by night, in the sight of all the house of Israel, throughout all their journeys.

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- 1. Thou Shalt Have No Other gods Before Me.
- 2. Thou Shalt Not Make Unto Thee Any Graven Images.
- 3. Thou Shalt Not Take the Name of the Lord Thy God in Vain.
- 4. Remember the Sabbath Day, to Keep it Holy.
- 5. Honor Thy Father and Thy Mother.
- 6. Thou Shalt Not Kill.
- 7. Thou Shalt Not Commit Adultery.
- 8. Thou Shalt Not Steal.
- 9. Thou Shalt Not Bear False Witness Against Thy Neighbor.
- 10. Thou Shalt Not Covet.

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CHAPTER 1

■ 1 1. And the LORD called unto Moses, and spake unto him out of the tabernacle of the congregation. saying,

2. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

If any man of you

bring an offering unto the LORD, ve shall bring your offering of the cattle, even

of the herd, and of the flock.

3. If his offering be a burnt sacrifice of the herd.

let him offer a male without

blemish: he shall offer it of his own voluntary

■ | will at the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation before the LORD.

4. And he shall put his hand upon the head of the burnt offering:

and it shall be accepted for him

to make atonement for him.

5. And he shall kill the

bullock before the LORD:

and the priests, Aaron's sons,

shall bring the blood, and

sprinkle the blood round about upon the altar that is by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

6. And he shall

flay the burnt offering, and cut it into his pieces.

7. And the sons of Aaron

the priest shall put fire upon the altar, and lay

the wood in order upon the fire:

8. And the priests.

Aaron's sons, shall

lay the parts.

the head, and the fat, in order

upon the wood that is on the fire which is upon the altar:

9. But his inwards and his

leas shall he wash in water: and the priest shall burn

■ all on the altar. to

be a burnt sacrifice,

an offering made by fire, of a sweet sayour

unto the LORD.

10. And if his offering be

of the flocks, namely, of the

sheep, or of the

goats, for a burnt sacrifice;

he shall bring it

a male without blemish.

11. And he shall

kill it on the side of the altar

northward before the LORD:

and the priests, Aaron's sons, shall sprinkle

his blood round

about upon

the altar.

12. And he shall

cut it into his

pieces. with his head and his fat:

and the priest shall

lay them in order on the wood that is

on the fire which is

upon the altar:

13. But he shall wash the inwards and the leas with

water: and the priest shall bring it all,

and burn it upon the **=** 1

altar: it is a burnt sacrifice. an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

14. And if the burnt sacrifice for his offering to the LORD

be of

fowls, then

he shall bring his offering of turtledoves, or of

young pigeons.

15. And the priest shall bring it unto the altar, and

wring off his head, and burn it on the altar; and

the blood thereof

shall be wrung out

• at the side of the altar:

16. **And he** shall pluck

away his crop with

his feathers, and

cast it beside the altar on the east part,

by the place of

the ashes:

17. And he shall cleave it with the wings thereof,

but shall not divide it asunder: and the priest shall burn it upon the altar, upon the wood that is upon the fire:

if is a burnt sacrifice, an offering made by fire, of

a sweet savour

CHAPTER 2

1. And when any will offer
 a meat offering
 unto the LORD, his offering
 shall be of fine

■ flour; and he shall

■ pour oil upon it.

■ and put

■ frankincense thereon:

■ 2. And he shall

bring it to Aaron's sons
the priests: and he shall take

thereout his handful of the flour thereof, and of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof;

and the priest shall

burn the memorial of it upon the altar,

to be an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD:

3. And the remnant of the meat offering

shall be Aaron's and his sons': it is a thing most holy of the offerings of the LORD made by fire.

4. And if thou bring

an oblation of a meat offering baken in the oven, it

shall be unleavened cakes of fine flour mingled

with oil, or unleavened waters anointed with oil.

■ 5. And if thy oblation be a meat offering baken

in a pan, it shall be of fine flour unleavened.

fine flour unleavened, mingled with oil.

6. Thou shalt part it in pieces, and pour oil thereon: it is a meat offering.

7. And if thy oblation
be a meat offering
baken in the fryingpan.

it shall be made of

■ I fine flour with oil.

8. And thou shalt bring the meat offering that is made of these things unto the LORD: and when it is presented unto the priest, he shall bring it unto the altar.

 And the priest shall take from the meat offering a memorial thereof, and shall

burn if upon the altar: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

10. And that which is

shall be Agron's and his
sons': it is a thing most holy of the
offerings of the LORD made by fire.

11. No meat offering.

11. **No meat offering,** which ye shall bring unto the LORD,

shall be made with

shall be made with leaven: for ye shall

burn no leaven, nor any honey, in any offering

of the LORD made by fire.

of the firstfruits, ye shall offer them unto the LORD: but

they shall not be burnt
on the altar for a sweet savour.

13. And every oblation of

13. And every oblation of thy meat offering shalt thou season with salt; neither shalt thou suffer the salt of the covenant of thy God to be lacking from thy

meat offering: with all thine offerings thou shalt offer salt.

14. And if thou offer o

meat offering of thy
firstfruits unto the LORD,
thou shalt offer for the
meat offering of thy firstfruits

green ears of corn dried by the fire,

even corn beaten out of full ears.

15. And thou shalt

■ **put oil** upon it,

■ and lay

frankincense thereon:

it is a meat offering.

16. And the priest

16. And the priest shall burn the memorial of

if, part of the beaten corn thereof, and part of the oil thereof, with all the frankincense thereof: I ■ I it is an offerina made by fire unto the LORD.

CHAPTER 3

1. And if his oblation

be a sacrifice of

peace offering.

if he offer it of the herd: whether it be a male or female.

he shall offer it without

blemish before the LORD.

2 And he shall

lay his hand upon

the head of his offering.

and kill it at the door

of the tabernacle of the

congregation: and Aaron's sons

the priests shall sprinkle the blood

upon the altar round about.

3. And he shall

offer of the sacrifice of

the peace offering an

offering made by fire unto the LORD:

the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the

fat that is upon the inwards.

4. And the two kidneys, and

the fat that is on them. which is by the flanks.

and the caul above the

liver, with the kidneys, it

shall he take away.

And Aaron's sons shall

burn it on the altar

upon the burnt sacrifice, which is upon the wood that is on the fire: it is an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

6 And if his

offering for a sacrifice of

peace offering unto the LORD

be of the flock; male or female,

he shall offer it

without blemish.

7 If he offer a lamb

for his offering, then shall he offer it before the LORD.

8. And he shall lay his

■ hand upon the head

of his offering, and kill it before the tabernacle

of the congregation:

and Agron's sons shall sprinkle the

blood thereof round about upon the altar.

And he shall.

offer of the sacrifice of the peace offering

an offering made

by fire unto the

LÓRD; the fat thereof. **-**1

and the whole

rump, it shall he take off hard by the backbone; and the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards.

10 And the two kidneys. and the fat that is upon them.

which is by the flanks. and the caul above

the liver, with the kidneys, it

shall he take away.

11. And the priest shall burn it upon the altar: it is the food of the offering

made by fire unto the LORD. 12. And if his offering

be a goat, then he shall offer it before the LORD.

13. And he shall lay his hand upon the head of it.

and kill it before the

tabernacle of the congregation:

and the sons of Agron shall sprinkle

the blood thereof

upon the altar round about.

And he shall offer thereof. his offering, even an offering made by fire unto the LORD;

the fat that covereth

the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards.

And the two kidneys. and the fat that is upon them, which is by the flanks, and the caul above the liver, with the kidneys, it

shall he take away.

16. And the priest shall burn them upon the altar:

it is the food of the offering made by fire for a sweet savour: all the fat is the LORD's.

17. It shall be a perpetual

statute for your
generations throughout
all your dwellings, that ye
eat neither fat nor blood.

CHAPTER 4

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- And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying
- Speak unto the children of Israel, saying. If a soul shall sin through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and shall do against any of them:
- 3. If the priest that is anointed do

sin of the people; then

let him bring for his

sin, which he hath sinned, a young bullock

I a young bullock
I without blemish unto

the LORD for a sin offering.

4. And he shall bring the bullock

4. And he shall bring the bulloc

■ tabernacle of the

congregation before the LORD;

■ and shall

lay his hand

upon the bullock's

head, and kill thebullock before the LORD.

■ 5. And the priest

that is anointed shall

take of the bullock's

blood, and bring it to the

tabernacle of the congregation:

■ 6. **And** the priest shall

dip his finger in the blood,

and sprinkle of the blood
seven times before the LORD.

before the veil of the sanctuary.

7. And the priest shall

put some of the

| blood upon the horns

of the altar of sweet

incense before the LORD, which *is* in the tabernacle of the congregation;

■ and shall

■ pour all the

■ blood of the bullock

at the bottom of

I the altar of the

burnt offering, which is at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

■ 8. And he shall

■ take off from it all

the fat of the bullock

for the sin offering;

the fat that covereth the inwards, and all the fat that is upon the inwards,

9. And the two kidneys, and the fat that is upon them,

which is by the flanks,

liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away.

 As it was taken off from the bullock of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and

the priest shall burn them upon the altar

of the burnt offering.

■ 11. And the skin of the bullock,

and all hisflesh, with his head, and with

■ his legs, and■ his inwards, and his dung.

12. Even the whole bullock

shall he carry forth
without the camp

unto a clean place, where the ashes are poured out,

and burn him on thewood with fire: where the ashes

are poured out shall he be burnt.

13. And if the whole

congregation of Israelsin through ignorance,

and the thing be hid

from the eyes of the assembly.

and they have done somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which should not be done, and are quilty;

■ 14. When the sin, which they have sinned against it,

■ is known, then

the congregation shall offer a young bullock for the sin, and bring him before the

the sin, and bring him before the tabernacle of the congregation.

15. And the elders of the congregation

shall lay their hands upon the head of the bullock before the LORD: and the bullock shall be killed before the LORD. 16. And the priest that is anointed shall bring of the bullock's blood to the tabernacle of the congregation: 17. And the priest shall dip his finger in some of the blood, and sprinkle it seven times before the LORD, even before the veil. 18 And he shall put some of the blood upon the horns of the altar which is before the LORD, that is in the tabernacle of the congregation. and shall pour out all the blood at the bottom of the altar of the burnt offering, which is at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. 19. And he shall take all his fat from him, and burn it upon the altar. 20. And he shall do with the bullock as he did with the bullock for a sin offering, so shall he do with this: and the priest shall make an atonement for them, and it shall be forgiven them. 21. And he shall carry forth the bullock without the camp, and burn him as he burned the first bullock: it is a sin offering for the congregation. 22. When a ruler hath sinned, and done somewhat through ignorance against any of the commandments of the LORD his God concerning things which should not be done, and is quilty: 23. Or if his sin, wherein he hath sinned, come to his knowledge;

■ he shall bring his offering,

a male without blemish.

a kid of the goats.

24 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the goat. and kill it in the place where they kill the burnt offering before the LORD: it is a sin offering. 25. And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out his blood at the bottom of the altar of burnt offering. 26. And he shall burn all his fat upon the altar, as the fat of the sacrifice of peace offerings: and the priest shall make an atonement for him as concerning his sin. and it shall be foraiven him. 27. And if any one of the common people sin through ignorance, while he doeth somewhat against any of the commandments of the LORD concerning things which ought not to be done, and be guilty, 28. Or if his sin, which he hath sinned, come to his knowledge; then he shall bring his offering. a kid of the goats, a female without blemish. for his sin which he hath sinned. 29 And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering. and slay the sin offering in the place of the burnt offering. 30. And the priest shall take of the blood thereof with his finger. and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar. 31. And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat is taken away from off the sacrifice of peace offerings; and the priest shall

burn it upon the altar for a sweet

and the priest shall make

savour unto the LORD:

- an atonement for him, and it shall be forgiven him.
- 32. And if he bring a
- lamb for a sin offering.
- he shall bring it

- a female without blemish.
 - 33. And he shall lay his hand upon the head of the sin offering, and slav it for a sin offering in the place where they kill the burnt offering.
 - 34. And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering with his finger, and put it upon the horns of the altar of burnt offering, and shall pour out all the blood thereof at the bottom of the altar:
 - 35. And he shall take away all the fat thereof, as the fat of the lamb is taken away from the sacrifice of the peace offerings; and the priest shall burn them upon the altar, according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD:
- and the priest shall make an atonement for his sin that he hath committed.
- and it shall be I forgiven him.

CHAPTER 5

- And if a soul sin.
 - and hear the voice of swearing, and is a witness,
- whether he hath seen or known of it: if he do not utter it, then
- he shall bear his iniquity.
- 2. Or if a soul touch any unclean thing, whether it be a carcase of an unclean beast, or a carcase of unclean cattle, or the
- carcase of unclean creeping things. **and** if it be hidden from him;
- he also shall be
- unclean, and auilty.
- 3. Or if he touch the uncleanness of man.

whatsoever uncleanness it be that a man shall be defiled withal.

- and it be hid from him:
- when he knoweth of it, then ■ he shall be guilty.
- 4. Or if a soul swear, pronouncing with his lips
- lo do evil, or to do good.

whatsoever it be that

- a man shall pronounce with an oath, and
- it be hid from him:
- when he knoweth of it, then
 - he shall be auilty in one of these.
 - 5. And it shall be.

- when he shall be auilty in one of these things, that
- he shall confess that
 - he hath sinned in that thing:
- And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD for his sin
 - which he hath sinned a female from the flock, a
- lamb or a kid of the goats. for a sin offering:
- and the priest shall make an atonement for him concerning his sin.
- 7. And if he be not able to bring a lamb, then
- he shall bring for his trespass. which he hath committed.
- two turtledoves, or two
 - young pigeons, unto the LORD: one for a sin offering.
- and the other for a burnt offering.
- 8. And he shall bring them unto the priest, who
- shall offer that which is for the sin offering first,

and wring off his head from his neck, but shall not divide it asunder:

- And he shall sprinkle of the blood of the sin offering
- upon the side of the altar:
- and the rest of the blood
- shall be wrung out at
 - the bottom of the altar: it is a sin offering.
- 10. And he shall offer the second for a burnt offering,

according to the manner: and the priest shall make an atonement for him for his sin which he hath sinned. and it shall be forgiven him.

- 11. But if he be not able to bring two turtledoves, or
 - two young pigeons, then

- **he** that sinned
- shall bring for his offering
- the tenth part of an
- ephah of fine flour for a sin offering: he shall put no oil upon it. neither shall he put any frankincense thereon: for it is a sin offering.
 - 12. Then shall he bring it to the priest, and
- the priest shall take his handful of it.
- even a memorial thereof. and burn it on the altar.
- according to the offerings made by fire unto the LORD; it is a sin offering.
- 13. And the priest shall make an atonement for him
 - as touching his sin that he hath sinned in one of these.
- and it shall be forgiven
- **him:** and the remnant shall be the priest's, as a meat offering. 14. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 15 If a soul commit a trespass, and
- sin through ignorance, in the holy things of the LORD: then he shall bring
 - for his trespass unto the LORD
- a ram without
- blemish out of the flocks.
- with thy estimation by shekels of silver.
 - after the shekel of the sanctuary. for a trespass offering:
- 16. And he shall make
- amends for the harm that he hath done in the holy thing,
- and shall add the fifth part
- thereto, and give it unto the priest:
- and the priest shall make
- an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering,
- and it shall be
- forgiven him.
- 17. And if a soul sin, and commit any of these
- things which are
- forbidden to be done
- by the commandments of the LORD:
- though he wist it not.

- yet is he quilty. and shall bear his iniquity.
- 18. And he shall bring a ram without blemish out
- of the flock, with thy estimation. for a trespass offering.
- unto the priest; and the
- priest shall make an
- atonement for him concerning his ignorance wherein he erred and wist it not, and it shall be forgiven him. 19. It is a trespass offering: he hath certainly trespassed against the LORD.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving,
- 2. If a soul sin, and commit a trespass against the LORD, and
 - lie unto his neighbour
 - in that which was delivered him to keep, or in fellowship, or in a thing taken away by violence.
- or hath deceived his neighbour:
- Or have found that which
- was lost, and lieth concerning it,
- and sweareth falsely; in any of all these that a
 - man doeth, sinning therein: 4. Then it shall be, because he
- hath sinned, and is quilty, that he shall restore that which 8
- he took violently away.
- or the thing which he
- hath deceitfully gotten,
- or that which was
- delivered him to keep, or
- the lost thing which he found,
- Or all that about which he hath sworn
- falsely: he shall even
- restore it in
- the principal, and shall add the fifth
- part more thereto.
- and give if unto him
- to whom it appertaineth.
- in the day of his
- trespass offering. And he shall bring
 - his trespass offering unto the LORD,

oil thereof.

and shall

the frankingense

which is upon the meat offering.

burn it upon the altar

for a sweet sayour, even the

memorial of it unto the LORD

16. And the remainder. thereof shall Aaron and his

and all

157 a ram without blemish out of the flock. with thy estimation, for a trespass offering, unto the priest: 7. And the priest shall make an afonement for him before the LORD: and it shall be forgiven him for any thing of all that he hath done in trespassing therein. 8. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 9. Command Aaron and his sons, saving, This is the law of the burnt **offering:** It is the burnt offering. because of the burning upon the altar all night unto the morning, and the fire of the altar shall be burning in it. 10. And the priest shall put on his linen garment, and his linen breeches shall he put upon his flesh, and take up the ashes which the fire hath consumed with the burnt offering on the altar, and he shall put them beside the altar. 11. And he shall put off his garments, and put on other garments, and carry forth the ashes without the Camp unto a clean place. 12. And the fire upon the altar shall be burning in it; it shall not be put out: and the priest shall burn wood on it every morning, and laythe burnt offering in order upon it; and he shall burn thereon the fat of the peace offerings. 13. The fire shall ever be burning ■ upon the altar: it shall never go out. 14. And this is the law of the meat offering: the

sons eat: with unleavened **bread** shall it be eaten in the holy place: in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation they shall eat it. 17. It shall not be baken with leaven I have given it unto them for their portion of my offerings made by fire; it is most holy, as is the sin offering, and as the trespass offering. 18. All the males among the . children of Aaron shall eat of it. It shall be a statute for ever in your generations concerning the offerings of the LORD made by fire: every one that toucheth them shall be holv. 19. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving, 20. This is the offering of Aaron and of his sons, which they shall offer unto the LORD in the day when he is anointed; the tenth part of an ephah of fine flour for a meat offering perpetual, half of it in the morning, and half thereof at niaht. 21. In a pan it shall be made with oil: and when it is sons of Agron shall offer it baken, thou shalt bring it in: before the LORD, before the altar and the baken 15. And he shall take of it shalt thou offer his handful, of the for a sweet savour flour of the meat offering, unto the LORD. and of the

Dieces of the meat offering 22. And the priest of his sons that is

- anointed in his stead shall offer it: it is a statute for ever unto the LORD; it shall be wholly burnt.
- 23. For every meat offering for the priest shall be wholly burnt: it shall not be eaten.
- 24. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 25. Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, saving.
- This is the law of the sin
- where the burnt offering is
- killed shall the sin offering be killed before the LORD:
- it is most holy.
- 26. The priest that offereth it
- for sin shall eat it: in the holy place shall it be eaten.
 - in the court of the tabernacle of the congregation.
- 27. Whatsoever shall touch
 the flesh thereof shall be
 holy: and when there is
- sprinkled of the
- upon any garment, thou shalt wash that

whereon it was sprinkled

- in the holy place.
- 28. But the earthen vessel wherein it is sodden shall
- be broken: and if it be sodden in
- a brasen pot, it
- shall be both scoured, and rinsed in water.
- 29. All the males among the priests shall eat thereof:
 - it is most holy.
- 30. And no sin offering,

whereof any of the blood is brought into the tabernacle of the congregation to reconcile withal in the holy place.

- shall be eaten: it shall be
- **burnt** in the fire.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Likewise this is the law of the trespass offering:
 - it is most holy.
- 2. In the place where they
- kill the burnt offering shall

- they kill the trespass offering: and the blood
- shall he sprinkle round about upon the altar.
 - 3. And he shall offer of it all the fat thereof; the rump, and the fat that covereth the inwards,
 - 4. And the two kidneys, and the fat that is on them, which is by the flanks, and the caul that is above the liver, with the kidneys, it shall he take away:
 - 5. And the priest shall burn them upon the altar *for* an offering made by fire unto the LORD: it *is* a trespass offering.
- 6. Every male among the priests shall eat thereof: it shall be eaten in the holy place: it is most holy.
- 7. As the sin offering is, so is the trespass offering: there is one law for them: the
- priest that maketh
- atonement therewith shall have it.
- 8. And the priest that
- offereth any man's burntoffering, even the priest
- shall have to himself
 the skin of the burnt offering
 which he hath offered.
 - 9. And all the meat offering that is baken in the oven, and all that is dressed in the fryingpan, and in the pan.
- shall be the priest's
- that offereth it.
- 10. And every meat offering, mingled with oil, and dry,
- shall all the sons of
- Aaron have, one *as* much as another.
- 11. And this is the law of the sacrifice of
- peace offerings,

which he shall offer unto the LORD.

- 12. If he offer it for a thanksgiving, then
- he shall offer with the
- sacrifice of thanksgiving unleavened cakes mingled

159 with oil, and unleavened waters anointed with oil. and cakes mingled with oil, of fine flour, fried. 13. Besides the cakes, he shall offer for his offering leavened bread with the sacrifice of thanksgiving of his peace offerings. 14 And of it he shall offer one out of the whole oblation for an heave offering unto the LORD. and it shall be the priest's that sprinkleth the blood of the peace offerings. 15. And the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings for thanksgiving shall be eaten the same day that it is offered; he shall not leave any of it until the morning. 16. But if the sacrifice of his offering be a vow, or a voluntary offering, it shall be eaten the same day that he offereth his sacrifice: and on the morrow also the remainder of it shall be eaten: 17. But the remainder of the flesh of the sacrifice on the third day shall be burnt with fire. 18. And if any of the flesh of the sacrifice of his peace offerings be eaten at all on the third day, it shall not be accepted, neither shall it be imputed unto him that offereth it: it shall be an abomination, and the soul that eateth of it shall bear his iniquity. 19. And the flesh that toucheth any unclean thing shall not be eaten: it shall be burnt with fire; and as for the flesh, all that be clean

> shall eat thereof 20. But the soul that

eateth of the flesh of the sacrifice

of peace offerings,

that pertain unto the LORD.

havina his uncleanness upon him, even that soul shall be cut off from his people. 21 Moreover the soul that shall touch any unclean thing, as the uncleanness of man, or any unclean beast, or any abominable unclean thing, and eat of the flesh of the sacrifice of peace offerings, which pertain unto the LORD, even that soul. shall be cut off from his people. 22. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving, 23. Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, Ye shall eat no manner of fat, of ox, or of sheep, or of goat. 24. And the fat of the beast that dieth of itself, and the fat of that which is torn with beasts. may be used in any other use: but ve shall in no wise eat of it. 25 For whosoever eateth the fat of the beast, of which men offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD, even the soul that ealeth it. shall be cut off from his people. Moreover ve shall eat no manner of blood, whether it be of fowl or of beast, in any of your dwelling. 27. Whatsoever soul it be that eateth any manner of blood, even that soul shall be cut off from his people. 28. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, savino.

children of Israel, saving,

his peace offerings

of his peace offerings. 30. His own hands shall bring the

He that offereth the sacrifice of

shall bring his oblation

offerings of the LORD made by fire,

the fat with the breast, it

shall he bring, that the

breast may be waved

unto the LORD of the sacrifice

29. Speak unto the

unto the LORD

| for a wave offering

before the LORD.

31. And the priest shall burn the fat upon the allar; but

the breast shall be

- Aaron's and his sons'.
- 32. And the right shoulder shall ye give unto the priest
- for an heave offering of the sacrifices of your peace offerings.
- 33. He among the sons of Aaron, that offereth
 the blood of
- the peace offerings, and the fat,
- shall have the right shoulder for his part.
 - 34. For the wave breast and the heave shoulder have I taken of the children of Israel from off the sacrifices of their peace offerings, and have given them unto Aaron the priest and unto his sons by a stalute for ever from among the children of Israel.
- 35. This is the portion of the anointing of Aaron, and of the anointing of
- his sons, out of the
 offerings of the LORD
 made by fire,

in the day *when* he presented them to minister unto the LORD in the priest's office:

■ 36. Which the LORD commanded to be given

them of the children of Israel,

in the day that he anointed them, by a statute for ever

throughout their generations.

37. This is the law of the burnt offering, of the meat offering, and of the trespass offering, and of the consecrations, and of the sacrifice of the peace offerings:

38. Which the LORD commanded Moses

■ in mount Sinai,

in the day that he commanded the children of Israel to offer their oblations unto the LORD, in the wilderness of Sinai.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
 2. Take Aaron and his sons
- 2. Take Aaron and his sons with him,
- and the garments, and the anointing oil, and
- the anointing oil, and a bullock for the sin
- offering, and
- two rams, and a basket of unleavened bread:
 - 3. And gather thou
- all the congregation togetherunto the door of the
- tabernacle of the congregation.
- 4. And Moses did as the LORD commanded him:

and the assembly was gathered together unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

- 5. And Moses said unto the congregation, This *is* the thing which the LORD commanded to be done.
- 6. And Moses brought
 Aaron and his sons, and
 washed them with water.
- 7. And he put upon him the coat, and girded him with
- the girdle, and clothed him with
- the robe, and put
- the ephod upon him,
- and he girded him with
- the curious girdle of the ephod.

and bound it unto him therewith.

- 8. And he put the
- breastplate upon him: also he put in the breastplate
- the Urim and the Thummim.
- 9. And he put the mitre uponhis head; also upon the
- **mitre**, even upon his forefront, did
- he put the golden plate, the
- holy crown; as the LORD commanded Moses.
- 10. And Moses

took the anointing oil, and

- anointed the tabernacle and all that was therein.
- and sanctified them.
- 11. And he sprinkled thereof upon the altar
 - seven times, and anointed

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the altar and all his vessels, both the layer and ■ his foot, to sanctify them. ■ 12. And he poured of the anointing oil upon Agron's head, and anointed him, late to sanctify him. 13. And Moses brought Agron's sons, and put coats upon them, and girded them with girdles, and put bonnets upon them: as the LORD commanded Moses 14. And he brought the ■ bullock for the sin offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the bullock for the sin offering. 15 And he slew it; and Moses took the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about with his finger. and purified the altar, and poured the blood at the bottom of the altar. and sanctified it. to make reconciliation upon it. 16 And he took all the fat that was upon the inwards. and the caul above the liver. and the two kidneys, and their fat, and Moses burned if upon the altar. 17. But the bullock, and his hide, his flesh, and his dung, he burnt with fire without the camp: as the LORD commanded Moses. 18. And he brought the ram for the burnt offering: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. ■ 19. And he killed it; and Moses sprinkled the blood ■ upon the altar round about. 20. And he cut the ram into

pieces: and Moses

■ burnt the head, and

the pieces, and the fat. 21. And he washed the inwards and the legs in water: and Moses burnt the whole ram upon the altar: it was a burnt sacrifice for a sweet savour, and an offering made by fire unto the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses. 22 **And he** brought the other ram, the ram of consecration: and Aaron and his sons laid their hands upon the head of the ram. 23 And he slew it: and Moses took of the blood of it. and put it upon the tip of Agron's right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the areat toe of his right foot. 24. And he brought Agron's sons, and Moses put of the blood upon the tip of their right ear, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. 25. And he took the fat, and the rump, and all the fat that was upon the inwards, and the caul above the liver, and the two kidneys, and their fat, and the right shoulder: 26. And out of the basket of unleavened bread. that was before the LORD. he took one unleavened cake, and a cake of oiled bread, and one water, and put them on the fat, and upon the right shoulder: 27. And he put all upon Aaron's hands, and upon his sons' hands, and waved them

LEVITICUS 9 offering before the LORD: 28 And Moses took them from off their hands, and burnt them on the altar upon the burnt offering they were consecrations. for a sweet savour: it is an offering made by fire unto the LÖRD. 29. And Moses took the breast, and waved it for a wave offering hefore the LORD: for of the ram of consecration it was Moses' part: as the LORD commanded Moses. 30. And Moses took of the anointing oil, and of the blood which was upon the altar, and sprinkled it upon Agron, and upon his garments. and upon his sons, and upon his sons' garments with him; and sanctified Agron, and his garments, and his sons, and his sons' garments with him. 31. And Moses said unto Aaron and to his sons. Boil the flesh at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

and there

eat it with the bread that is in the basket of

consecrations.

as I commanded, saying, Aaron and his sons shall eat it.

32. And that which remaineth of the flesh and of the bread shall ve

burn with fire.

33. And ve shall not

go out of the door

of the tabernacle

of the congregation

in seven days, until the days of your consecration

be at an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you. 34. As he hath done this day, so the LORD hath commanded to do.

to make an atonement for you. 35. Therefore shall ve abide at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night seven days, and keep the charge of the LORD, that ve die not: for so I am commanded.

36. So Aaron and his sons did all things which the LORD commanded

by the hand of Moses

CHAPTER 9

And it came to pass.

on the eighth day, that Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel:

2. And he

said unto Aaron. Take thee a young calf for a

sin offering, and

a ram for a burnt offering. without blemish, and offer

them before the LORD.

And unto the children of

Israel thou shalt

speak, saving.

Take ye a kid of the

goats for a sin offerina: and

. a calf and a lamb. both of the first year,

without blemish, for

a burnt offerina:

4. Also a bullock and a ram for peace offerings.

to sacrifice before the LORD:

and a meat offering mingled with oil: for

to day the LORD will appear unto you.

5. And they brought

that which Moses

commanded before the tabernacle of the congregation:

and all the

congregation drew near and stood before the LORD.

6. And Moses said. This is the

thing which the LORD commanded that ye should do: and the glory of the LORD shall appear unto you.

7. And Moses said ■ unto Aaron, Go unto

the altar, and offer thy sin offering, and thy burnt offering, and make an atonement for thyself, and for the people: and offer the offering of the people. and make an atonement for them: as the LORD commanded

Agron therefore went unto the altar. and slew the calf of the sin offering, which was for himself.

9. And the sons of Aaron brought the blood unto him; and he dipped his finger in the blood, and put it upon the horns of the altar, and poured out the blood at the bottom of the altar:

10. But the fat, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver of the sin offering, he burnt upon the altar; as the LORD commanded Moses.

11. And the flesh and the hide he burnt with fire without the camp.

- 12. And he slew the burnt offering; and Aaron's sons presented unto him the blood, which he sprinkled. round about upon the altar.
- And they presented the burnt offering unto him, with the pieces thereof, and the head; and he burnt them upon the altar.
- 14. And he did wash the inwards. and the leas, and burnt them upon the burnt offering on the altar.

15. And he brought the people's offering,

and took the goat, which was the sin offering for the people, and slew it.

and offered it

for sin, as the first. 16. And he brought the burnt

offering, and offered it according to the manner.

17. And he brought the meat offering.

and took an handful thereof, and burnt it upon the altar, beside the burnt sacrifice of the morning.

■ 18. He slew also the bullock and the ram for a sacrifice of peace offerings.

which was for the people: and Aaron's sons presented unto

him the blood, which he sprinkled upon the altar round about 19. And the fat of the bullock and of the ram, the rump, and that which covereth the inwards, and the kidneys, and the caul above the liver:

20. And they put the fat upon the breasts, and he burnt the fat upon the altar:

21. And the breasts and the right shoulder Agron waved for a wave

offering before the LORD; as Moses commanded.

22. And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people. and blessed them, and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings.

23. And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation.

and came out, and

blessed the people: and the glory of the LORD

appeared unto all the people.

24. And there came a fire out from before the LORD. and consumed upon the altar

the burnt offering

and the fat: which

when all the people

saw, they shouted.

and fell on their faces.

CHAPTER 10

1 And Nadab and

Abihu, the sons of Aaron.

took either of them his censer, and put fire

therein, and put incense thereon,

and offered strange fire before the LORD.

which he commanded them not.

2. And there went out fire from the LORD. and devoured them. and they died before the LORD.

3. Then Moses said unto Aaron, This is it that

the LORD spake, saving,

	I will be sanctified in
	I will be sanctified in them that come nigh me,
	and before all the people I will be alorified.
П	people I will be alorified.

And Aaron held his peace.

And Moses called Mishael and Elzaphan,

the sons of Uzziel

and said unto them, Come near, carry your brethren

from before the sanctuary

out of the camp.

5. So they went near, and carried them in their coats out of the camp; as Moses had said.

■ 6. And Moses said

unto Aaron, and unto

■ Eleazar and unto■ Ithamar, his sons,

Itnamar, his sons,Uncover not your

heads, neither rend your clothes; lest ve die, and lest

wrath come upon all the people:

but let your brethren, the whole house of

Israel, bewail the burning which

the LORD hath kindled.

7. And ye shall not go out from the door

of the tabernacle

of the congregation,

lest ye die: for the anointing
oil of the LORD is upon you.

And they did according
 to the word of Moses.

8. And the LORD spake

unto Agron, saying,

9. Do not drink winenor strong drink,

thou, nor thy sons with thee, when ye go into the

■ tabernacle of the congregation,

lest ye die: it shall be a statute for ever

throughout your generations:

■ 10. And that ye may put difference between

holy and unholy, and between unclean and clean;

11. And that ye may

teach the children of

■ Israel all the statutes which
■ the LORD hath spoken

unto them by the hand of Moses.

12. And Moses spake unto

Agron, and unto Eleazar and unto Ithamar, his sons that were left,

Take the meat offering
that remaineth of the offerings

of the LORD made by fire,
and eat it without leaven

beside the altar: for it *is* most holy: 13. And ye shall eat it in the holy

place, because it is thy due, and thy sons' due, of the sacrifices of the LORD made by fire: for so I am commanded.

14. And the wave breast
 and heave shoulder
 shall ye eat in a clean

place; thou, and thy sons, and thy

daughters with thee: for they be thy due, and thy sons' due, which are given out of the sacrifices of peace offerings of the children of Israel.

15. The heave shoulder and the wave breast shall they bring with the offerings made by fire of the fat, to wave it for a wave offering before the LORD; and it

shall be thine, and thy

sons' with thee, by a statute for ever; as the LORD hath commanded.

16. And Moses diligently
 sought the goat of the
 sin offering, and, behold,

it was burnt: and he was angry with Eleazar

and Ithamar, the sons of Aaron which were left alive,

saying,

17. Wherefore have ye not eaten the sin offering in the holy place, seeing it is most holy, and God hath given it you to bear the iniquity of the congregation.

to make atonement

for them before the LORD?

■ 18. Behold, the blood of it was not brought in within

the holy *place*: ye should indeed have

eaten it in the holy place,
as I commanded.
19. And Aaron said
unto Moses, Behold, this day have
they offered their sin
offering and their burnt
offering before the LORD; and such things have befallen me:
and if I had eaten the sin
offering to day, should
it have been accepted
in the sight of the LORD?
20. And when Moses

■ heard that, he was content.

CHAPTER 11

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron.

saying unto them.

2. Speak unto the

children of Israel, saying.

These are the beasts

which ye shall eat among all the beasts that are on the earth.

3. Whatsoever parteth the hoof, and is clovenfooted.

hoof, and is clovenfooted, and cheweth the cud,

among the beasts, that

■ shall ye eat.

4. Nevertheless these shallye not eat of them that chew the

cud, or of them that divide the hoof: as

■ the camel,

because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof;

he *is* unclean unto you.

5. And the coney, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.
 6. And the hore, because he

 And the hare, because he cheweth the cud, but divideth not the hoof; he is unclean unto you.

7. And the swine, though he divide the hoof.

and be clovenfooted,

yet he cheweth not the cud; he is unclean to you.

8. Of their flesh shall ye not eat, and their carcase shall ye not touch; they *are* unclean to you.

9. These shall ye eat of
all that are in the waters:
whatsoever hath fins and

scales in the waters, in the seas, and in the rivers, them shall ye eat.

10. And all that have

■ 10. And all that have not fins and scales

in the seas, and in the rivers, of all that move in the waters, and of any living thing which is in the waters, they shall be an abomination

shall be an abomination unto you:

11. They shall be even an abomination unto you; ye shall not eat of their flesh, but ye shall have their carcases in abomination.

12. Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that *shall be* an abomination unto you.

13. And these are they which ye shall have

in abomination among

the fowls; they shall not be eaten, they are an abomination:

the eagle, and the ossifrage, and

the ospiray,

14. And the vulture, and the kite after his kind;

15. Every raven after his kind;

16. And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckoo, and the hawk after his kind.

17. And the little owl, and

■ the cormorant, and the great owl,

18. And the swan, and the pelican, and

the pelican, and the gier eagle,

19. And the stork, the

■ the lapwing, and the bat.

20. All fowls that creep, going upon all four, shall be an

abomination unto you.

21. Yet these may ye eat
 of every flying creeping
 thing that goeth upon all four.

thing that goeth upon all four.
 which have legs above
 their feet, to leap

withal upon the earth:

22. **Even these** of them

ye may eat; the locust after his kind, and the bald locust after his kind, and

the beetle after his kind. and the grasshopper after his kind.

23. But all other flying creeping things, which have four feet. shall be an abomination unto you. 24. And for these ve shall be unclean: whosoever toucheth the carcase of them shall be unclean until the even. 25. And whosoever beareth

aught of the carcase of them shall wash his clothes, and be unclean until the even.

26. The carcases of every beast which divideth the hoof, and is not clovenfooted, nor cheweth the cud. are unclean unto you; every one that toucheth them shall be unclean.

27. And whatsoever goeth upon his paws, among all manner of beasts that go on all four. those are unclean unto vou: whose toucheth their carcase shall be unclean until the even. 28. And he that beareth the carcase. of them shall wash his clothes. and be unclean until the even:

they are unclean unto you. 29. These also shall be unclean unto you among the creeping things that creep upon the earth: the weasel, and

the mouse, and

■ the tortoise after his kind,

30. And the ferret, and the chameleon, and

the lizard, and the snail, and the mole.

31. These are unclean to you among all that creep:

whosoever doth touch ■ I them, when they be

dead, shall be unclean until the even.

> 32. And upon whatsoever any of them, when they are dead, doth fall, it shall be unclean; whether it be any vessel of wood, or raiment, or skin, or sack, whatsoever vessel it be. wherein any work is done, it must be put into water, and it shall be unclean until the even; so it shall be cleansed.

33. And every earthen vessel, whereinto any of them falleth, whatsoever is in it shall be unclean: and ve shall break it.

 Of all meat which may be eaten. that on which such water cometh shall be unclean; and all drink that may be drunk in every such vessel shall be unclean.

35. And every thina whereupon any part of their carcase falleth shall be unclean: whether it be oven.

or ranges for pots, they shall be broken down: for they are unclean and shall be unclean unto you.

36. Nevertheless a fountain or pit, wherein there is plenty of water, shall be clean; but that which toucheth their carcase shall be unclean.

37. And if any part of their carcase fall upon any sowing seed which is to be sown, it *shall be* clean.

38. But if any water be put upon the seed, and any part of their carcase fall thereon, it shall be unclean unto you.

And if any beast. of which ye may eat. die: he that toucheth the carcase thereof

shall be unclean until the even.

40. And he that eateth of the carcase of it shall wash his clothes. and be unclean until the even; he also that beareth the carcase of it shall wash his clothes. and be unclean until the even.

41. And every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth shall be an abomination; it shall not be eaten.

42. Whatsoever goeth upon the belly, and whatsoever goeth upon all four, or whatsoever hath more feet

among all creeping

■ things that creep upon the earth,

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■ I them ve shall not eat:

for they are an abomination.

43. Ye shall not make yourselves abominable with any creeping thing that creepeth, neither shall ye make yourselves unclean with them, that ye should be defiled thereby.

- 44. For I am the
- LORD your God:
- ye shall therefore sanctify yourselves, and ye shall
 - be holy; for I am holy:

neither shall ye defile yourselves with any manner of creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth.

- 45. For I am the LORD that bringeth you up
- out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: ye shall
 - therefore be holy, for I am holy.
 46. This is the law of the beasts, and of the fowl, and of every living creature that moveth in the waters, and of every creature that creepeth upon the earth:
 - 47. To make a difference between the unclean and the clean, and between the beast that may be eaten and the beast that may not be eaten.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. And the LORD
- spake unto Moses, saying,2. Speak unto the
 - children of Israel, saving.
- If a woman have
- conceived seed, and
- born a man child: then she shall be unclean
- seven days; according to the days of the separation for her infirmity shall she be unclean.
- 3 And in the eighth
- day the flesh of
- his foreskin shall
- be circumcised.
 - 4. And she shall then continue in the blood of
- continue in the blood of her purifying three and
 - thirty days; she shall touch no hallowed thing, nor come into the sanctuary, until the days of her purifying be fulfilled.

- 5. But if she bear a maid child, then she shall be unclean two weeks, as in her separation:
- and she shall
- **continue** in the blood of
- her purifying threescore and six days.
- 6. And when the days of her purifying are fulfilled.
 - for a son, or for a daughter,
- she shall bring a
- lamb of the first yearfor a burnt offering.
 - and a young pigeon,
- or a turtledove,
 for a sin offering.

unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest:

- 7. Who shall offer it before the LORD, and make an atonement for her;
- and she shall be cleansed from the issue of her
- **blood.** This *is* the law for her that hath borne a male or a female.
- 8. And if she be not able
 to bring a lamb, then she
 shall bring two turtles, or
- two young pigeons; the one for the burnt offering, and the other for a sin offering:
- and the priest shall
- make an atonement for her, and she shall be clean.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron, saving.
- 2. When a man shall
- have in the skin of his flesh
- a rising, a scab, orbright spot, and it be
- bright spot, and it be in the skin of his flesh
- *like* the plague
- of leprosy; then he shall be brought
 - he shall be brought unto Aaron the priest, or
- unto one of his sons
- the priests:
- 3. And the priest shall look on the plague in the skin of the flesh:
- and when the hair in the plague is turned white, and

the plaque in sight be deeper than ■ I the skin of his flesh. ■ it is a plaque of leprosy: and the priest shall look on him, and pronounce him unclean. 4. If the bright spot be white in the skin of his flesh. and in sight be not deeper than the skin, and the hair thereof be not turned white; then the priest shall shut up him that hath the plaque seven days: 5. And the priest shall look on him the seventh day: and, behold, if the plaque in his sight be at a stay, and the plaque spread not in the skin; then the priest shall shut him up seven days more: 6. And the priest shall look on him again the seventh day: and, behold, if the plague be somewhat dark, and the plaque spread not in the skin, the ■ priest shall pronounce him clean: it is but a scab; and he shall wash his clothes, and be clean. 7. But if the scab spread much abroad in the skin. after that he hath been seen of the priest for his cleansing. he shall be seen of the priest again: 8. And if the priest see that, behold. ■ the scab spreadeth in the skin, then ■ the priest shall pronounce ■ | him unclean: it is a leprosy. ■ 9. When the plaque of leprosy is in a man, then he shall be brought unto the priest; 10. And the priest shall see him: and, behold,

■ | if the rising be

white in the skin.

■ I and it have turned the hair

■ raw flesh in the rising;

white, and *there be* quick

11. It is an old leprosy in the skin of his flesh. and the priest shall pronounce him unclean, and shall not shut him up; for he is unclean. 12. And if a leprosy break out abroad in the skin. and the leprosy cover all the skin of him that hath the plaque from his head even to his foot. wheresoever the priest looketh; 13. Then the priest shall consider; and, behold, if the leprosy have covered all his flesh, he shall pronounce him clean that hath the plaque; it is all turned white: he is clean. 14. But when raw flesh appeareth in him. he shali be unclean. 15. And the priest 6 shall see the raw flesh, and pronounce him to be unclean: for the raw flesh is unclean: it is a leprosy. 16. Or if the raw flesh turn again, and be changed unto white, he shall come unto the priest; 17. And the priest shall see him: and, behold, if the plaque be turned into white; then the priest shall pronounce *him* clean that hath the plaque; he is clean. 18. The flesh also, in which, even in the skin thereof. was a boil, and is healed, 19. And in the place of the boil there be a white rising, or a bright spot, white, and somewhat reddish. and it be shewed to the priest: 20. And if, when the priest seeth it, behold. it be in sight lower than the skin. and the hair thereof be turned white; the priest shall pronounce **him unclean:** it is a plague of leprosy broken out of the boil.

21. But if the priest look on it and behold there be no white hairs therein. and if it be not lower than the skin, but be somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: 22. And if it spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean: it is a plaque. 23. But if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not, it is a burning boil; and the priest shall pronounce him clean. 24. Or if there be any flesh, in the skin whereof there is a hot burning, and the quick flesh that burneth have a white bright spot. somewhat reddish, or white: 25. Then the priest shall look upon it; and, behold. if the hair in the bright spot be turned white. and it be in sight deeper than the skin; it is a leprosy broken out of the burning: wherefore the priest shall pronounce him **unclean:** it is the plague of leprosy. . 26. But if the priest look on it. and, behold, there be no white hair in the bright spot, and it be no lower than the other skin, but be somewhat dark; then the priest shall shut him up seven days: 27. And the priest shall look upon him the seventh day: and if it be spread much abroad in the skin, then the priest shall pronounce him unclean:

it is the plaque of leprosy. 28. And if the bright spot stay in his place, and spread not in the skin. but it be somewhat dark: if is a rising of the burning. and the priest shall pronounce him clean: for it is an inflammation of the burning. 29. **If a man or woman** have a plague upon the head or the beard: 30. Then the priest shall see the plaque; and, behold, if it be in sight deeper than the skin: and there be in it a vellow thin hair: then the priest shall pronounce **him unclean:** it is a dry scall, even a leprosy upon the head or beard. 31. And if the priest look on the plaque of the scall. and, behold. it be not in sight deeper than the skin, and that there is no black hair in it: then the priest shall shut up **him** that hath the plague of the scall seven davs: 32. And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the plaque: and, behold, if the scall spread not, and there be in it no yellow hair, and the scall be not in sight deeper than the skin; He shall be shaven. but the scall shall he not shave; and the priest shall shut up him that hath the scall seven days more: 34. And in the seventh day the priest shall look on the scall; and, behold. if the scall be not spread in the skin, nor be in sight deeper than the skin;

then the priest shall

pronounce him clean: and he shall wash his clothes, and he clean

35. But if the scall

spread much in the skin

after his cleansing:

36. Then the priest shall look on him: and, behold, if the scall be spread in the skin.

the priest shall not seek for ■ | vellow hair: he is unclean.

37. But if the scall

be in his sight

at a stay, and that

there is black hair

grown up therein; the scall is healed, he is clean; and

the priest shall pronounce him clean.

38. If a man also

or a woman have in the skin. of their flesh bright spots, even white bright spots;

39. Then the priest shall

look: and, behold, if the bright spots

in the skin of their flesh be darkish white: it is a freckled spot

that groweth in the skin:

he is clean.

40. And the man

whose hair is fallen off his

head, he

is bald; yet

is he

clean.

41. And he that hath his hair fallen off from the part of his head toward his face, he is forehead bald: vet is he clean.

42. And if there be in the **5** |

bald head, or bald forehead.

■ a white reddish sore: it

is a leprosy sprung up in his bald head, or his bald forehead. 43. Then the priest shall look

upon it: and, behold. ■ | if the rising of the sore be

white reddish in his bald head, or in his bald forehead, as the leprosy appeareth in the skin of the flesh;

44. He is a leprous man,

■ he is unclean: the priest

shall pronounce him utterly unclean; his plaque is in his head.

45. And the leper in whom the plaque is.

his clothes shall be rent, and his head bare, and he

shall put a covering upon

his upper lip, and shall cry. Unclean, unclean.

46. All the days wherein the plague *shall be* in him

he shall be defiled; he is unclean:

he shall dwell alone: without the camp

shall his habitation be.

47. The aarment also that the plague of leprosy

is in, whether it be a woollen garment, or a linen garment:

48. Whether it be in the warp, or woof: of linen, or of woollen; whether in a skin, or in any thing made of skin:

49. And if the plague be greenish or reddish in the garment, or in the skin,

either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin:

if is a plague of leprosy, and

shall be shewed unto the priest:

> 50. And the priest shall look upon the plaque.

and shut up

it that hath the plaque

seven days:

51. **And** he shall look on the plague

on the seventh day: if the plaque be spread

in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in a skin. or in any work that is made of skin;

the plague is a fretting leprosy; it is unclean.

52. He shall therefore burn that garment, whether

warp or woof, in woollen or in linen. or any thing of skin, wherein the plague is: for it is a fretting leprosy; it shall be burnt in the fire.

53. **And if** the priest shall look, and, behold,

the plague be not spread in the garment, either in the warp, or in

171 the woof, or in any thing of skin; ■ 54. Then the priest shall ■ command that they wash **the thing** wherein the plague is. and he shall shut it up seven days more: 55. And the priest shall look on the plaque. after that it is washed: and, behold. if the plague have not changed his colour, and the plague be not spread; it is unclean; thou shalt burn it in the fire: it is fret inward, whether it be hare within or without 56. And if the priest look, and, behold, the plague be somewhat dark after the washing of it: then he shall rend it out of the garment, or out of the skin, or out of the warp, or out of the woof: 57. And if it appear still in the garment, either in the warp, or in the woof, or in any thing of skin; it is a spreading plaque: thou shalt burn that wherein the plague is with fire. 58. And the garment. either warp, or woof, or whatsoever thing of skin it be.

which thou shalt wash. ■ if the plague be departed from them.

■ then it shall be washed the second time, and shall be clean.

> 59. This is the law of the plaque of leprosy in a garment of woollen or linen, either in the warp, or woof, or any thing of skins, to pronounce it clean, or to pronounce it unclean.

CHAPTER 14

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, ■ 2. This shall be the law

of the leper in the day of his cleansing: He shall be ■ brought unto the priest:

3. And the priest shall go forth out of the camp; and the priest shall look, and, behold, if the plague of leprosy be healed in the leper: 4. Then shall the priest command to take for him that is to be cleansed two birds alive and clean, and cedar wood, and

scarlet, and hyssop:

And the priest shall command that

one of the birds **be killed** in an earthen. vessel over running water:

6. As for the living bird, he shall take it. and the cedar wood, and the scarlet, and the hyssop, and shall

dip them and the living bird in the blood of the bird that was killed over the running water:

7. And he shall

sprinkle upon him that is to be cleansed from the leprosy seven times, and shall pronounce him clean, and shall let the living bird loose into the open field.

8. And he that is to be cleansed shall wash his clothes, and

shave off all his hair. and wash himself

in water, that he may be clean: and after that he

shall come into the camp, and shall

tarry abroad

out of his tent seven days. 9. But it shall be

on the seventh day, that he shall shave all his hair off his head and his beard and his eyebrows, even

all his hair he shall shave off:

and he shall

wash his clothes, also he

shall wash his flesh in water and he shall be clean. 10. And on the eighth day he shall take two he lambs without blemish, and one ewe lamb of the first vear without blemish. and three tenth deals of fine flour for a meat offering, mingled with oil, and one log of oil. 11. And the priest

that maketh him clean shall present the man that is to be made clean.

and those things, before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

12. And the priest shall take one he lamb, and offer him for a trespass offering, and the log of oil, and wave them for a wave offering before the LORD: 13. And he shall slav the lamb in

the place where he shall kill the sin offering and the burnt offering, in the holy place; for as the sin offering is the priest's, so is the trespass offering: it is most holy:

■ 14. And the priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass offering, and the priest shall

put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right

hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot:

15. And the priest shall take some of the log of

oil, and pour it into the palm of his own left hand:

16. And the priest shall dip his right finger in

the oil that is in his left hand.

and shall sprinkle of

the oil with his finger

seven times

before the LORD:

17. And of the rest of the oil ■ that is in his hand shall the priest put upon

the tip of the right ear of

him that is

to be cleansed,

and upon the thumb of his right hand. and upon the great toe of his right foot.

upon the blood of the trespass offering:

18. And the remnant of the

oil that is in the priest's hand he shall pour upon the

head of him that is to be cleansed:

and the priest shall

make an atonement for him before the LORD.

19. And the priest shall offer the sin offering, and make an atonement for him that is to be cleansed from his uncleanness:

and afterward he shall kill

the burnt offering: 20. **And** the priest shall

offer the burnt offering and the meat offering upon the

altar: and the priest shall make an atonement for him.

and he shall be clean.

21. And if he be poor. and cannot get so much:

then he shall take one lamb *for* a trespass offering to be waved,

to make an atonement for him,

and one tenth deal of fine flour mingled

with oil for a meat

offering, and a log of oil;

22. And two turtledoves, or two young pigeons,

such as he is able to get; and the

one shall be a sin offering, and the

other a burnt offering.

23. And he shall bring them on the eighth

day for his cleansing

unto the priest.

> unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, before the LORD.

24. And the priest shall

■ I take the lamb of the

173 trespass offering. and the loa of oil. and the priest shall wave them for a wave offering before the LORD: 25. And he shall kill the lamb of the trespass offering, and the priest shall take some of the blood of the trespass offering, and put it upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot: 26. And the priest shall pour of the oil into the palm of his own left hand: 27. And the priest shall sprinkle with his right finger some of the oil that is in his left hand seven times before the LORD: 28. And the priest shall put of the oil that is in his hand upon the tip of the right ear of him that is to be cleansed. and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot, upon the place of the blood of the trespass offering: 29. And the rest of the oil that is in the priest's hand he shall out upon the head of him that is to be cleansed. to make an atonement for him before the LORD 30. And he shall offer the one of the turtledoves. Of of the young pigeons, such as he can get: 31. Even such as he is: able to get, the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering.

with the meat offering: and

the priest shall make an

atonement for him that is to

be cleansed before the LORD.

32. This is the law of him

in whom is the plaque of leprosy.

whose hand is not able to

get that which pertaineth

to his cleansing. 33. And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron. savina. 34. When ve be come into the land of Canaan. which I give to you for a possession, and I put the plague of leprosy in a house of the land of your possession: 35. And he that owneth the house shall come and tell the oriest. saving, it seemeth to me there is as it were a plaque in the house: 36. Then the priest shall command that they empty the house, before the priest go into it to see the plaque, that all that is in the house be not made unclean: and afterward the priest shall go in to see the house: 37 And he shall look on the plaque, and, behold. if the plaque be in the walls of the house with hollow strakes. greenish or reddish, which in sight are lower than the wall: 38. Then the priest shall go out of the house to the door of the house, and shut up the house seven davs: 39. And the priest shall come again the seventh day, and shall look: and, behold, if the plague be spread in the walls of the house; 40. Then the priest shall command that they take away the stones in which the plaque is, and they shall cast them into an unclean place without the city: 41. And he shall cause the house to be scraped within round about, and they shall pour out the dust that they scrape off without the city into an unclean place: 42. And they shall take

other stones, and put them in the place of those stones;
 and he shall take other

morter, and shall plaster the house.

43. And if the plague come again, and break out in

the house, after that he hath taken away the stones, and after he hath scraped the house, and after it is plastered;

44. Then the priest shall come and look, and, behold, *if* the plague be spread in the house,

it is a fretting leprosy
in the house: it is unclean.

45. And he shall break down the house, the

stones of it, and the

timber thereof,

morter of the house:

and he shall

carry them forth out of the city

into an unclean place.

46. Moreover he that goeth into the house all the while that it is shut up shall be unclean until the even.

47. And he that lieth in the house shall wash his clothes; and he that eateth in the house shall wash his clothes.

■ 48. **And if** the priest shall come in, and look *upon it*, and, behold,

the plague hath not spread in the house, after the house was plastered:

after the house was plastere then the priest shall

pronounce the house clean.

because the plague is healed.

49. And he shall take

■ to cleanse the house

■ two birds, and

cedar wood, and

scarlet, and hyssop:

■ 50. And he shall

■ | kill the

one of the birds in

an earthen vesselover running water:

51. And he shall take the

I | cedar wood, and the

■ hyssop, and the

scarlet, and the livingbird, and dip them in the

■ blood of the slain bird, and

■ in the running water,■ and sprinkle the

■ house seven times:

■ 52. And he shall cleanse

the house with the

blood of the bird,and with the running

and with the runningwater, and with the

■ living bird, and with

■ the cedar wood, and with the

■ hyssop, and with the

■ scarlet:

■ 53. But he shall let go

the living bird out

of the city into the open fields,

and make an atonement
 for the house: and

for the house: and it shall be clean.

■ 54. This is the law for

■ all manner of plague of

■ leprosy, and scall, 55. And for the leprosy of

> a garment, and of a house, 56. And for a rising, and for a scab, and for a bright spot:

■ 57. To teach when it is

unclean, and when it is

I Clean: this is the law of leprosy.

CHAPTER 15

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses and to Aaron,
 saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them.

When any man hath arunning issue out of his

■ flesh, because of his issue

he is unclean.

 And this shall be his uncleanness in his issue: whether his flesh run with his issue, or his flesh be stopped from his issue, it is his uncleanness.

■ 4. Every bed, whereon

■ he lieth that hath the issue,

is unclean: and every

■ thing, whereon he sitteth,

shall be unclean.

- 5. And whosoever toucheth his bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
- And he that sitteth on any thing whereon he sat that hath the issue shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 7. And he that
- toucheth the flesh of
- him that hath the issue
- shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water.
 - and be unclean
- until the even.
 - 8. And if he that hath the issue spit upon him that is clean; then he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
 - 9. And what saddle soever he rideth upon that hath the issue shall be unclean.
 - 10. And whosoever toucheth any thing that was under him shall be unclean until the even; and he that beareth *any of* those things shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
 - 11. And whomsoever he toucheth that hath the issue, and hath not rinsed his hands in water, he shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himsell* in water, and be unclean until the even.
 - 12. And the vessel of earth, that he toucheth which hath the issue, shall be broken: and every vessel of wood shall be rinsed in water.
- 13. And when he that hath an issue is cleansed of his issue;
- then he shall
- number to himself seven days for his
 - cleansing, and wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in running water, and shall be clean.
- 14. And on the eighth
 day he shall take to him
 two turtledoves, or two
 young pigeons, and
 - **come** before the LORD
 - unto the door of

the tabernacle

of the congregation, and give them unto the priest:

15. And the priest shall offer them, the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement

for him before the

- 16. And if any man's
- seed of copulation
 go out from him, then
 he shall wash
 - all his flesh in water,

and be unclean until the even.

- 17. And every garment, and every skin, whereon is the seed of copulation, shall be washed with water, and be unclean until the even.
- 18. The woman also
 with whom man shall
 lie with seed of
 copulation, they shall both
 - bathe themselves in water,
- and be unclean until the even.
- 19. And if a woman have an issue, and her issue in her flesh be blood.
- she shall be put apart
 seven days: and
 whosoever toucheth
 her shall be unclean

until the even.

- 20. And every thing that she lieth upon in her separation shall be unclean: every thing also that she sitteth upon shall be unclean.
- 21. And whosoever toucheth her bed shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
- 22. And whosoever toucheth any thing that she sat upon shall wash his clothes, and bathe *himself* in water, and be unclean until the even.
 23. And if it be on her bed, or on
- any thing whereon she sitteth, when he toucheth it, he shall be unclean until the even.
- 24. And if any man lie with her at all.

and her flowers be upon him, he shall be unclean seven days; and all the bed whereon

he lieth shall be unclean.

■ 25. And if a woman ■ have an issue of her blood

many days out of the time of her separation, or if it run beyond the time of her separation; all the days of the issue of her uncleanness shall be as the days of her separation:

she *shall be* unclean.

26. Every bed whereon she lieth all the days of her issue shall be unto her as the bed of her separation: and whatsoever she sitteth upon shall be unclean, as the uncleanness of her separation.

27. And whosoever toucheth those things shall be unclean, and shall wash his clothes, and bathe himself in water, and be unclean until the even.

■ 28. But if she be

cleansed of her issue, then

she shall number to herself seven days, and

after that she shall

■ be clean.

29. And on the eighth day she shall take unto her two turtles, or two young pigeons, and bring them unto the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

30. And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering, and the other for a burnt offering; and the priest shall make an atonement for her before the LORD for the issue of her uncleanness.

31. Thus shall ye separate the children of Israel from

their uncleanness; that

■ they die not in their ■ uncleanness, when they

defile my tabernacle that is among them.

32. This *is* the law of him that hath an issue, and *of him* whose seed goeth from him, and is defiled therewith; 33. And of her that is sick of her flowers, and of him that hath an issue, of the man, and of the woman, and of

him that lieth with her that is unclean.

CHAPTER 16

 And the LORD spake unto Moses after the death of the two sons of Aaron, when they offered before the LORD, and died;

2. And the LORD said

unto Moses, Speak unto Aaron thy brother,

that he come not at all times into the holv

place within the vail before the mercy seat, which is upon the ark;

that he die not: for I will appear in the cloud

upon the mercy seat.

3. Thus shall Agron

Come into the holy place:

with a young bullock
for a sin offering, and a
ram for a burnt offering.

4. He shall put on the holy linen coat, and he shall have the linen breeches upon his flesh, and shall be girded with a linen girdle, and with the linen mitre shall he be attired: these are holy garments; therefore shall he wash his flesh in water, and so out them on.

5. And he shall take
 of the congregation
 of the children of Israel

two kids of the goats for a sin offering, and one ram for a burnt offering.

■ 6. **And** Aaron shall

offer his bullock of

the sin offering, which is for himself, and make

an atonement for himself,

and for his house.

7. And he shall take the two goats, and present them before the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

8. And Aaron shall cast lots
 upon the two goats; one lot
 for the LORD, and the

other lot for the scapegoat.

9. And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the

■ LORD's lot fell, and offer

him for a sin offering.

10 But the goat, on

which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive

before the LORD. ■ to make an

gtonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat into the wilderness.

> 11. And Aaron shall bring the bullock of the sin offering, which is for himself, and shall make an atonement for himself, and for his house, and shall kill the bullock of the sinoffering which is for himself:

12 And he shall

take a censer full

of burning coals of fire from off the altar before the LORD.

and his hands full of sweet incense heaten small

and bring it within the veil:

13. And he shall put the incense upon the fire before the LORD, that the cloud of the incense may cover the mercy seat that is upon the testimony,

that he die not:

14. And he shall take of the blood of the bullock, and sprinkle it with his finger upon the mercy seat eastward; and before the mercy seat shall he sprinkle of the blood with his finger

seven times. 15. Then shall he kill the goat of the sin offering.

that is for the people. and bring his blood within the veil, and do with that blood

as he did with the blood of the bullock.

> and sprinkle it upon the mercy seat, and before the mercy seat:

16. And he shall make an atonement for the holv place, because of the uncleanness of the children of

Israel, and because of their transgressions in all their sins; and so shall he do for the tabernacle of the congregation, that remaineth among them in the midst of their uncleanness.

17 And there shall be no man in the tabernacle of the congregation

when he goeth in to make an atonement in the holy place, until he come out.

and have made an atonement for himself, and for his household, and for all the congregation of Israel.

18. And he shall go out unto the altar that is before the LORD, and make an atonement for it: and shall take of the blood of the bullock, and of the blood of the goat, and put it upon the horns of the altar round about.

19. And he shall sprinkle of the blood upon it with his finger seven times. and cleanse it, and hallow it from the uncleanness of the children of Israel.

20. And when he hath made an end of reconcilina the holy place, and

the tabernacle of the congregation,

and the altar, he shall bring the live goat:

21. And Aaron **shall lav both** his

hands upon the head of the live goat.

and confess over him all the iniquities of the children of

Israel, and all their

transgressions in all their sins. putting them upon the head of the goat, and shall send him away by the hand of a

fit man into the wilderness: 22. And the goat

shall bear upon him all their injauities

unto a land not inhabited; and he shall let go the goat in the wilderness. 23. And Aaron shall come into the tabernacle of the congregation, and shall put off the linen garments, which he put on when he went into the holy place, and shall leave them there: 24. And he shall wash his flesh with

water in the holy place, and put on his garments, and come forth, and offer his burnt offering, and the burnt offering of the people, and make an atonement for himself. and for the people. 25. And the fat of the sin offering shall he burn upon the altar. 26. And he that let go the goat for the scapegoat shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward come into the camp. 27. And the bullock for the sin offering, and the goat for the sin offering, whose blood was brought in to make atonement in the holy place, shall one carry forth without the camp; and they shall burn in the fire their skins, and their flesh, and their dung. 28. And he that burneth them shall wash his clothes, and bathe his flesh in water, and afterward he shall come into the camp.

29. And this shall be a statute for ever

unto you: that

in the seventh month, on the tenth day of the month,

ye shall afflict your souls, and do no work at all.

whether it be one of your own country.

or a stranger that sojourneth

amona vou:

30. For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean

from all your sins before the LORD.

31. It shall be a sabbath of rest unto you, and ye shall afflict your souls, by a statute for ever. 32. And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, even the holy garments: 33. And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the

altar, and he shall make an

atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation.

- 34. And this shall be an everlastina statute unto
- YOU, to make an alonement for the children of Israel for all their
 - sins once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAPTER 17

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

> 2. Speak unto Aaron, and unto his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them:

This is the thing which

the LORD hath

commanded, saying,

What man soever there be

of the house of

Israel, that killeth an ox, or

lamb, or aoat, in the camp, or that killeth it out of the camp,

4. And bringeth it

not unto the door of

the tabernacle of the congregation, to offer an offering

unto the LORD before the tabernacle of the LORD:

blood shall be imputed -

unto that man: he hath shed blood; and that man shall

be cut off from among his people:

5 To the end that the

children of Israel may bring their sacrifices.

which they offer in the open field, even that they may bring them unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, unto the priest, and offer them

for peace offerings unto the LORD.

> 6. And the priest shall sprinkle the blood upon the altar of the LORD at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, and burn the fat for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

7. And they shall no more offer their sacrifices unto

devils, after whom they have gone a-whoring.

This shall be a

statute for ever unto them throughout their generations.

8. And thou shalt say unto them,

■ Whatsoever man there be

of the house of

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■ Israel, or of the

strangers which sojourn

among you, that offereth a burnt offering or sacrifice,

9. And bringeth it not

■ unto the door of the

tabernacle of the congregation, to offer it unto the LORD; even that man shall be cut off

shall be cut off from among his people.

10. And whatsoever man there be of the house

of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn

among you, that

eateth any manner of blood: I will

even set my face against that soul that eateth blood, and will

cut him off from among his people.

■ 11 For the life of the flesh is in the blood; and I

have given it to you upon the altar

to make an atonement for
 your souls: for it is the blood that
 maketh an atonement for the soul

12. Therefore I said unto the children of Israel.

No soul of you

shall eat blood,

neither shall any stranger that solourneth among you eat blood.

13. And whatsoever man there be of the children of Israel, or of the strangers that sojourn among you.

which hunteth and catcheth
any beast or fowl that

any beast or fowl thatmay be eaten; he shall

even pour out the blood thereof, and cover it with dust.

14. **FOr** it is the life of all flesh:

■ the blood of it

■ is for

the life thereof:

therefore I said unto the children of Israel, Ye shall eat the blood of no manner of flesh; for the life of all flesh

is the blood thereof: whosoever eateth it shall be cut off.

■ 15. And every soul that eateth that which died

of itself, or that which
 was forn with beasts,
 whether it be one of your own

whether it be one of your own country, or a stranger, he

■ shall both

■ wash his clothes,

and bathe himself in water,

and be unclean until the

16. But if he wash them not, nor bathe his flesh; then he shall bear his iniquity.

CHAPTER 18

■ 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

2. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto

them, I am the LORD your God.

3. After the doings of the land of Egypt, wherein ve

dwelt, shall ye not do:

■ and after the doings of the land of

Canaan, whither I bring you,
 shall ye not do: neither
 shall ye walk in their ordinances.

4. Ye shall do my

judgments, and keep mine ordinances, to walk therein: I am the LORD your God.

5. Ye shall therefore keep my statutes, and my judgments: which if a man do, he shall live in them: I am the LORD.

■ 6. **None** of you

■ shall approach to any that is

near of kin to him.
to uncover their

■ nakedness: I am the LORD.

■ 7. The nakedness of

■ thy father, or

the nakedness of thy

mother, shalt thou not uncover: she is thy mother; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

8. The nakedness of

thy father's wife shalt thou not uncover: it is thy father's nakedness.

9. The nakedness of

thy sister, the daughter of thy father, or daughter of thy mother, whether she be born at home, or born abroad, even their nakedness thou shall not uncover.
 The nakedness of

thy son's daughter, or of thy daughter's daughter, even their nakedness that

shalt not uncover: for theirs is thine own nakedness.

11. The nakedness of

■ thy father's wife's

daughter, begotten of thy father, she is thy sister, thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

12. Thou shalt not

uncover the nakedness of thy father's sister:

she is thy father's near kinswoman.

13. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of

thy mother's sister: for she is thy mother's near kinswoman.

14. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of

thy father's brother, thou shalt not approach to

his wife: she is thine aunt.

15. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of

thy daughter in law: she is thy son's wife; thou shalt not

she is thy son's wife; thou shalt not uncover her nakedness.

16. Thou shalt not

uncover the nakedness of thy brother's wife:

thy brother's wife: it is thy brother's nakedness.

17. Thou shalt not uncover the nakedness of

a woman and herdaughter, neither

shalt thou take

her son's daughter, or her daughter's daughter,

to uncover her nakedness; for they are her near kinswomen:it is wickedness.

■ 18. **Neither** shalt thou

take a wife to her sister, to vex her, to

uncover her nakedness, beside the other in her life time.

19. **Also** thou shalt not approach unto

uncover her nakedness.

as long as she is put apart for her uncleanness.

20. Moreover thou

shalt not lie carnally with thy neighbour's

wife, to defile thyself with her.

21. And thou shalt not let
any of thy seed pass
through the fire to

■ Infough the life to
■ Molech, neither shalt

thou profane the name

of thy God: I am the LORD.

22. Thou shalt not lie

22. Thou shalt not liewith mankind, as

with womankind:

it is abomination.

23. **Neither** shalt thou

lie with any beast to defile thyself therewith:

neither shall any woman stand before a beast to

■ lie down thereto: it is confusion.

24. **Defile not** ye yourselves in *any* of

these things: for in all these the nations are defiled

which I cast out before you:

25. And the land is defiled:

therefore I do visit

■ the iniquity thereof

■ upon it, and

the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants.

■ 26. Ye shall therefore

keep my statutes and my judaments, and shall not commit

any of these abominations; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you: 27. (For all these abominations have the men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled;)

28. That the land spue not you out also,

when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that were before you.

29. For whosoever shall commit any of

these abominations,

shall be cut off
from among their people.
30. Therefore shall ye keep mine
ordinance, that *ye* commit not *any one*of these abominable customs, which

ordinance, that ye commit not any one of these abominable customs, which were committed before you, and that ye defile not yourselves therein: I am the LORD your God.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- Speak unto all the congregation of the children of Israel, and say unto them,
- Ye shall be holy:
 for I the LORD your
- God am holy.
- 3. Ye shall fear every man his mother, and his father, and keep my sabbaths:

I am the LORD your God.

- 4. **Turn ye not unto idols,** nor make to yourselves molten gods: I am the LORD your God.
 - 5. And if ye offer a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, ye shall offer it at your own will.
 - 6. It shall be eaten the same day ye offer it, and on the morrow: and if aught remain until the third day, it shall be burnt in the fire.
 - And if it be eaten at all on the third day, it is abominable; it shall not be accepted.
 - 8. Therefore every one that eateth it shall bear his iniquity, because he hath profaned the hallowed thing of the LORD: and that soul shall be cut off from among his people.
- 9. And when ye reap the harvest of your land.
- thou shalt not wholly reap the corners of thy
- field, neither shalt thou
 gather the gleanings
 of thy harvest.
- 10. And thou shalt not glean thy vineyard,
 neither shalt thou
- gather every grape

of thy vineyard;

thou shalt leave them for the poor and stranger:

I am the LORD your God.

- 11. Ye shall not steal,
 neither deal falsely,
 neither lie one to another.
 12. And ve shall
- 12. And ye shall
 not swear by my name
 falsely, neither shalt thou
- profane the name
 of thy God: I am the LORD.
- 13. Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob him: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning.
- 14. Thou shalt not curse the deaf, nor put a stumblingblock before
- the blind, but shalt fear thy God: I am the LORD.

 15. Ye shall do no
 - unrighteousness in judgment:
- thou shalt not respect the person of
- the poor, nor honor the person of
- the mighty: *but* in righteousness shalt thou iudge thy neighbour.
- judge thy neighbour.

 16. Thou shalt not
- go up and down
 as a talebearer
 among thy people:
- neither shall thou
- stand against the blood of thy neighbour; I am the LORD.
- 17. Thou shalt not hate thy brother in thine heart:
- thou shalt in any wise rebuke thy neighbour, and not suffer sin upon him.
- 18. Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge

against the children of thy people.

- **but** thou shall
- love thy neighbour
 as thyself: I am the LORD.
 - 19. Ye shall keep my statutes. Thou shalt not let thy cattle gender with

a diverse kind: thou shalt not sow thy field ■ | with mingled seed: neither shall a garment mingled of linen and woollen come upon thee. 20. And whosoever ■ lieth carnally with a woman, that is ■ a bondmaid, betrothed to an husband, and not at all redeemed, nor freedom given her; she shall be scourged; ■ they shall not be put to **death.** because she was not free. 21. And he shall bring his trespass offering unto the LORD, unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation, even a ram for a trespass offering. 22. And the priest shall make an atonement for him with the ram of the trespass offering before the LORD for his sin which he hath done; and the sin which he hath done shall be forgiven him. 23. And when ye shall come into the land, and shall have planted all manner of trees for food. then ye shall count the fruit thereof as uncircumcised: ■ three years shall it be as uncircumcised unto you: it shall not be eaten of. 24. But in the fourth year all the fruit thereof shall be holy to praise the LORD withal. 25. And in the fifth year shall ye eat of the fruit thereof, that it may yield unto you the increase thereof: I am the LORD your God. ■ 26. Ye shall not eat ■ | any thing with the ■ blood: neither shall ve ■ use enchantment.

nor observe times.

■ the corners of your

27. Ye shall not round

heads, neither shalt thou mar the corners of thy beard. 28. Ye shall not make any cuttings in your flesh for the dead, nor print any marks upon you: I am the LORD. 29. Do not prostitute thy daughter, to cause her to be a whore; lest the land fall to whoredom, and the land become full of wickedness. 30. Ye shall keep my sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD. 31. Reaard not them that have familiar spirits, neither seek after wizards, to be defiled by them: I am the LORD your God. 32. Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honour the face of the old man, and fear thy God: I am the LORD. **m** 1 33. And if a stranger solourn with thee in your land. ve shall not vex him. 34. But the stranger that dwelleth with you shall be unto you as one born among you, and thou shalt love him as thyself; for ye were strangers in the land of **Egypt:** I am the LORD your God. 35. **Ye shall do no** unrighteousness in judament, in meteyard, in weight, or in measure. Just balances. just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt. 37. Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: Lam the LORD.

CHAPTER 20

 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
 Again, thou shalt say to the children of Israel,

■ | Whosoever *he be*

- of the children of
- Israel, or of the
- **strangers** that sojourn
- in Israel,
- that giveth any of
- his seed unto Molech;
- he shall surely be put to death:
- the people of the land shall stone him with stones.
 - And I will set my face against that man, and will cut him off from among his people;
- because he hath given of his seed unto Molech, to defile my sanctuary, and
- to profane my holy name.

 And if the people
 - And if the people
 of the land do any ways hide their
 eyes from the man, when he giveth
 of his seed unto Molech, and
- kill him not:
- 5. Then I will set my face
- against that man, and against his family, and will cut him
- his family, and will cut hinoff, and all that go a-whoring after
 - him, to commit whoredom with Molech, from among their people.
- 6. And the soul that turneth
 after such as have
 familiar spirits, and after
- wizards,
 to go a-whoring after them,
 I will even set my face
- against that soul, and will **cut him off** from among his people.
- 7. Sanctify
- yourselves therefore,
- and be ye holy:

for I am the LORD your God.

8. And ye shall keep my statutes, and do them: I am the LORD which sanctify you.

- 9. For every one
- that curseth his
- father or his
 - mother shall be surely
 - put to death:

he hath cursed his father or his mother; his blood *shall be* upon him.

10. And the man that committeth adultery
 with another man's wife,

even he that committeth adultery with his neighbour's wile,

- the adulterer and the adulteress shall surely
- adulteress snall surelybe put to death.
- 11. And the man that lieth with his father's wife hath
 - both of them shall surely

■ be put to death;

their blood shall be upon them.

- 12. And if a man lie with his daughter
- in law, both of them
- **shall** surely
- be put to death:

they have wrought confusion; their blood shall be upon them.

- 13. **If a man also lie**
- with mankind, as he lieth
 with a woman, both of them
 have committed an abomination: they
- shall surelybe put to death;

their blood shall be upon them.

- their blood shall be upon them.

 14. And if a man take a
 - wife and her mother, it is wickedness: they shall be burnt with fire, both he and they; that there be no wickedness among you.
- 15. And if a man lie with a beast, he shall surely
- be put to death: and ye shall slay the beast.
- 16. And if a woman
- approach unto
- any beast, and lie down thereto.
- thou shalt kill the woman, and the beast:

they shall surely be put to death; their blood shall be upon them.

- 17. And if a man shall take his sister, his father's
- daughter, or his mother's
- daughter, and see her nakedness.
 - and she see his nakedness:

it is a wicked thing; and they shall be cut off in the sight of their people; he hath uncovered his sister's nakedness: he shall bear his iniquity.

18. And if a man shall lie with a woman havina her sickness.

> and shall uncover her nakedness: he hath discovered her fountain. and she hath uncovered the fountain of her blood; and

both of them shall be

cut off from among their people. 19. And thou shalt not

uncover the nakedness

of thy mother's sister, nor of thy father's sister: for he uncovereth his

near kin: they shall bear their iniquity.

20. And if a man shall lie with his uncle's wife.

he hath uncovered his uncle's nakedness: they shall bear their sin;

they shall die childless. 21. And if a man shall take

his brother's wife, it is an unclean thing: he hath

uncovered his brother's nakedness: they shall be childless.

22. Ye shall therefore keep all my statutes.

and all my judgments, and do them:

> that the land, whither I bring you to dwell therein, spue you not out.

23. And ye shall not walk in the manners of the nation, which I cast out

before you:

for they committed all these things, and therefore

I abhorred them.

24. But I have said unto you,

Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it,

a land that floweth with ■ milk and honey: I

am the LORD your God, which

have separated you from *other* people.

> 25. Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean.

and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from you as unclean. 26. And ve shall be holy unto me: for

I the LORD am holy. and have severed

YOU from *other* people.

that ye should be mine.

27 A man also

or woman that hath a familiar spirit, or that

is a wizard, shall surely

be put to death:

they shall stone them with stones: their blood shall be upon them.

CHAPTER 21

1. And the LORD said unto Moses, Speak unto the

Driests the sons of Aaron.

and say unto them,

There shall none be defiled for the dead among his people:

2. But for his kin, that is near unto him, that is, for his mother, and for his father, and for his son, and for his daughter, and for his brother.

3. And for his sister a virgin, that is nigh unto him, which hath had no husband; for her

may he be defiled.

4. But he shall not defile himself, being a chief man among his people, to profane himself.

5. They shall not make baldness upon their head,

neither shall they

shave off the corner of their beard, nor make any

cuttinas in their flesh.

6. They shall be holy unto their God, and not profane the name of their God: for the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and the bread of their God, they do offer:

therefore they shall be holy. 7. They shall not take a

wife that is a whore, or

profane; neither shall they take

a woman put away from her husband: for he is holy unto his God. 8. Thou shalt sanctify

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- him therefore; for he offereth the bread of thy God: he shall be holy unto thee; for I the LORD. which sanctify you, am holy.
- 9. And the daughter of any priest, if she profane herself by playing the whore,
- she profaneth her father; she shall be burnt with fire.
- 10. **And** he that is the high priest

among his brethren.

upon whose head the anointing oil was poured.

and that is consecrated to put on the garments.

shall not uncover his head. nor rend his clothes:

11. Neither shall he go in to any dead body. nor defile himself

for his father, or for his mother:

- 12. Neither shall he go out of the sanctuary, nor profane the sanctuary of his
- God; for the crown of the anointing oil of his God is upon him: Lam the LORD 13. And he shall take
- a wife in her virginity.
 - 14. A widow, or a divorced woman. or profane, or an harlot, these shall, he not take: but he shall take a virgin of his own people to wife.
- 15 Neither shall he profane his seed among his people:

for I the LORD do sanctify him. 16. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, saving.

17. Speak unto Aaron, saying, Whosoever he be of thy

seed in their generations

that hath any blemish, let ■ him not approach to offer the bread of his God.

> 18. For whatsoever man he be that hath a blemish, he shall not approach: a blind man, or a lame, or he that hath

- a flat nose, or any thing superfluous. 19. Or a man that is brokenfooted or brokenhanded. 20. Or crookbackt, or a dwarf, or that hath a blemish in his eve. or be scurvy, or scabbed, or hath his stones broken:
- 21 No man that hath a blemish of the seed of Aaron the priest
- shall come nigh to offer the offerings of the LORD made by fire: he hath a blemish: he shall not come nigh to offer the bread of his God.
- 22 He shall eat the bread of his God. both of the most holy, and of the holy. 23. Only he shall not
- go in unto the veil.
- **nor** come nigh unto the altar, because he hath a blemish: that he profane not my sanctuaries: for I the LORD do sanctify them. 24. And Moses told it unto

Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving,
- 2. Speak unto Aaron and to his sons, that they separate themselves from the holy things of the children of Israel.
- and that they profane not my holy name in those things which they hallow unto me: I am the LORD.
- Say unto them.
- Whosoever he be of all your seed among your generations, that
- goeth unto the holy things, which the children
- of Israel hallow unto the LORD. having his
- uncleanness upon him, that soul shall be cut off from my presence: I am the LORD.
 - 4. What man soever of the seed of Aaron is a leper, or hath a running issue; he shall not eat of the holy things, until he be clean. And whose toucheth any thing that

is unclean by the dead, or a man whose seed goeth from him;

- 5. Or whosoever toucheth any creeping thing, whereby he may be made unclean, or a man of whom he may take uncleanness. whatsoever uncleanness he hath:
- 6. The soul which hath touched any such shall be unclean until even. and shall not eat of the holy things. unless he wash his flesh with water.
- 7 And when the sun is down, he shall. be clean, and shall afterward eat of the holy things; because it is his food.
- 8. That which dieth of itself, or is torn with beasts, he shall not eat to defile himself therewith: Lam the LORD
- 9. They shall therefore keep mine ordinance, lest they bear sin for it, and die

therefore, if they profane it: I the LORD do sanctify them.

10. There shall no

stranger eat of the holy thing: a sojourner of the priest.

Of an

hired servant, shall not eat of the holy thing.

11. But if the priest buy any soul with his

money, he shall eat of it. and he that is born

in his house: they

shall eat of his meat.

12. If the priest's

daughter also

be *married* unto a stranger, she may

not eat of an offering

of the holy things. 13. But if the priest's

dauahter be a widow.

or divorced, and have no child, and is

returned unto her father's

house. as in her youth.

she shall eat of her father's meat: but there

shall be no stranger eat thereof. ■ 14. And if a man eat of the

holy thing unwittingly, then he shall put the fifth part

■ I thereof unto it.

and shall aive it unto the priest with the holy thing.

15. And they shall not profane the holy things of the children of Israel. which they offer unto the LORD;

16. Or suffer them to bear the iniquity of trespass, when they eat their holy things; for I the LORD do sanctify them.

17. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving,

18. Speak unto Aaron, and to his sons, and unto all the children of Israel, and say unto them.

Whatsoever he be of the house

of Israel, or of the stranaers in Israel, that will offer his oblation for

all his vows, and for all his freewill offerings, which

they will offer unto the LORD for a burnt offerina:

19. Ye shall offer at your own will a male without blemish. of the beeves, of the

sheep, or of the goats.

20. But whatsoever hath a blemish. that shall

ve not offer: for it shall not be acceptable for you.

21 And whosoever

offereth a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD to accomplish his vow, or a freewill offering in beeves or sheep, it shall be perfect to be accepted;

there shall be no blemish therein.

> Blind, or broken, or maimed, or having a wen, or scurvy, or scabbed, ve shall not offer these unto the LORD, nor make an offering by fire of them upon the altar unto the LORD.

23. Either a bullock or a lamb that hath any thing superfluous or lacking in his parts, that mayest thou offer for a freewill offering; but for a vow it shall not be accepted.

24. Ye shall not offer unto the LORD that which is

bruised, or crushed,

or broken, or cut:

neither shall ve make anv offering thereof in your land.

25. Neither from a

stranger's hand

shall ve offer the bread of your God of any of these:

because their

corruption is in them.

and blemishes be in them: they shall not be

accepted for you.

26. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

27. When a bullock, or a

sheep, or a goat, is brought forth, then

it shall be seven days

under the dam; and from the eighth day and thenceforth

it shall be accepted for an offerina

made by fire unto the LORD.

28. And whether it be cow or ewe, ye shall not kill it

and her young both

in one day.

29. And when ye will

offer a sacrifice of

thanksgiving unto the LORD. offer it at your own will.

30. On the same day it shall be eaten up; ye shall leave none of it until the morrow: I am the LORD.

31. Therefore shall ve

keep my commandments, and do them: I am the LORD.

■ 32. **Neither** shall ve

profane my holy name; but I will be hallowed among

the children of Israel:

I am the LORD which hallow you. 33. That brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your God: Lam the LORD.

CHAPTER 23

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

■ 2. **Speak unto** the children of

■ Israel, and say unto them. Concerning the feasts

■ of the LORD, which ve shall

proclaim to be holy convocations. even these are my feasts.

3. Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day

is the sabbath of rest. an holy convocation:

ye shall do no work

therein: it is the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings.

4. These are the feasts of the LORD, even holy convocations. which ye shall proclaim in their seasons.

5. In the fourteenth day of the first month at even is the LORD's passover.

And on the fifteenth day of the same month is . the feast of unleavened

bread unto the LORD: seven days ve must

eat unleavened bread.

In the first day ve shall have an holy convocation: ye shall do no servile work therein.

8. But ve shall offer an

offering made by fire unto the LORD

seven days: in the seventh day is an holy convocation:

ve shall do no servile work therein. 9. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving,

10. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

When ye be come into the land which I give unto you.

and shall

reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of

the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

11 And he shall wave the sheaf before the

LORD, to be accepted for you. on the morrow after the

sabbath the priest shall wave it.

12. And ye shall offer that day when ve wave the sheaf an he lamb without

blemish of the first year

for a burnt offering unto the LORD.

13. And the meat offering thereof

shall be two tenth deals of

fine flour mingled with oil, an offering made by fire unto the LORD for a sweet savour:

and the drink

■ offering thereof shall be

of wine, the fourth part of an hin. 14. And ve shall

eat neither bread, nor

parched corn, nor green ears, until the selfsame

day that ye have brought an offering unto your God: it shall

be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings.

■ 15. And ve shall

■ | count unto you

from the morrow after

■ the sabbath, from

■ the day that

■ | ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering:

seven sabbaths shall be complete:

16. Even unto

the morrow after the seventh sabbath shall

ye number fifty days:

and ve shall

■ offer a new meat

offering unto the LORD.

17. Ye shall bring out of your habitations

two wave loaves of two tenth deals: they shall be

of fine flour; they shall be

baken with leaven;

they are the firstfruits unto the LORD.

18. And ye shall

offer with the bread seven lambs without blemish

of the first year, and

one young bullock, and

two rams: they shall be for a burnt offering unto the LORD,

with their meat offering, and their drink offerings, even an offering made by fire, of sweet sayour unto the LORD.

19. **Then** ve shall

sacrifice one kid of the goats for a sin offerina.

and two lambs of the first year

for a sacrifice of

peace offerings.

20. And the priest shall wave them with the bread of the firstfruits for a wave offering before the LORD, with the two lambs:

they shall be holy to the LORD

for the priest. 21. And ye shall

proclaim on the

selfsame day, that it may be

an holv

convocation unto you:

ve shall do no

servile work therein:

it shall be a statute

for ever in all your dwellings throughout your generations.

22. And when ye reap

the harvest of your land.

thou shalt not make clean riddance of the corners

of thy field when thou reapest,

neither shalt thou

aather anv

gleaning of thy harvest: thou shalt

leave them unto the poor, and to the

stranger: I am the LORD your God.

23. And the LORD spake unto

Moses, saying,

24. Speak unto the children of Israel, saving, In

the seventh month, in

the first day of the month,

shall ye have a sabbath. a memorial of blowing of

trumpets, an holy convocation.

25. Ye shall do no servile work therein: but

ye shall offer an offering made by fire

unto the LORD.

26. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

27. Also on the tenth day

of this seventh month there shall be a day

of atonement: it shall be

6

an holy convocation unto you;
and ye shall afflict your
souls, and offer an
offering made by fire
unto the LORD.

28. And ye shall do no work in that same day: for it *is* a day of atonement, to make an atonement for you before the LORD your God.

29. For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be cut off from among his people.

30. And whatsoever

soul it be

that doeth any work in

■ | **that** same

day, the same soul will I destroy from

among his people.

31. Ye shall do no manner of work: it shall be a statute for ever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 32. It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest, and ye shall afflict your souls:

in the ninth day of
 the month at even,
 from even unto even, shall
 ye celebrate your sabbath.

33. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,34. Speak unto the children of Israel, saying,

The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven the LORD.

35. On the first day shall be an holy convocation:

ye shall do no

servile work therein.

36. Seven days ye shall offer an offering

made by fire

unto the LORD: on the eighth

day shall be an holy convocation unto you:

and ye shall offer

an offering made by fireunto the LORD: it is a

solemn assembly; and ye

shall do no servile work therein.

37. These are the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, to offer an offering made by fire unto the LORD. a burnt offering, and a meat offering, a sacrifice, and drink offerings. every thing upon his day: 38. Beside the sabbaths of the LORD, and beside your giffs, and beside all your

vows, and beside all your freewill offerings, which ye give unto the LORD.

39. Also in the fifteenth

39. Also in the fifteenth day of the seventh month,
when ye have gathered
in the fruit of the land.

in the fruit of the land, ve shall keep a

feast unto the LORD seven days: on the first day shall be a sabbath, and on the eighth day shall be a sabbath.

40. And ye shall take you on the first day the boughs of goodly trees.

branches of palm trees, and the boughs

of thick trees, and willows of the brook; and ye shall

rejoice before the LORD your God seven days.

41. And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. It shall be a statute for ever in your

generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month.

42. Ye shall dwell in

booths seven days;

all that are Israelites born shall dwell in booths:

43. That your

generations may know
that I made the children of
Israel to dwell in

booths, when I brought them out of the land of

Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

44. And Moses declared

unto the children of Israel the feasts of the LORD.

CHAPTER 24

- 1 1 And the LORD spake ■ 1 unto Moses, saying,
- 2. **Command** the children of
- Israel, that they
- **■ bring** unto thee
- pure oil olive beaten for the light,
- to cause the lamps to burn continually.
- to burn continually
 3. Without the
- **veil** of the testimony.
- in the tabernacle

of the congregation, shall Aaron order it

from the evening unto the morning before the LORD continually: it shall be a statute

for ever in your generations.

- 4. He shall order the lamps upon the pure candlestick before the LORD continually.
- 5. And thou shalt take
 fine flour, and bake
 twelve cakes thereof: two

tenth deals shall be in one cake.

6. **And** thou shalt

set them in two

FOWS, six on a row,

- upon the pure table before the LORD.
- 7. And thou shalt

■ **put** pure

- | frankincense upon *each*
- **fow**, that it may be on the bread
- for a memorial, even an offering made by fire unto the LORD.
- 8. Every sabbath he shall set it in order before

the LORD continually, being taken from the children of Israel

- by an everlasting covenant.
- 9. And it shall be
- Aaron's and his
- sons'; and they shall eat it in the holy place: for it

is most holy unto him of the offerings of the LORD made by fire by a perpetual statute.

- 10. And the son of an Israelitish woman, whose father was an Egyptian, went out among the children of Israel: and this son of the Israelitish woman
- and a man of Israelstrove together in the camp;
- 11. And the Israelitish
 woman's son blasphemed
 the name of the Lord, and
- the name of the Lord, and
 cursed. And they brought
 him unto Moses: (and his
 - mother's name was Shelomith, the daughter of Dibri, of the tribe of Dan:)

 12. And they put him in ward.
 - that the mind of the LORD might be shewed them.
- 13. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 14. Bring forth him that
 hath cursed without the camp:
 - and let all that heard him lay their hands upon his head,
- and let all the
 - congregation stone him.
 - 15. And thou shalt speak unto the children of Israel, saying,
- Whosoever curseth
- his God shall bear his sin.
- 16. And he that blasphemeth the
- name of the LORD, he
- be put to death, and all the congregation
- shall certainly
- stone him: as well
- the stranger, as he
- that is born in the land, when he
 blasphemeth the name of the Lord, shall be put to death.
- 17. And he that killeth
- any man shall surely be put to death.
- 18. And he that killeth a beast shall make
- it good; beast for beast.
- 19. And if a man cause
- a blemish in his
- neighbour; as he hath done,
 - so shall it be done to him; 20. Breach for breach,
 - eye for eye, tooth for tooth:

as he hath caused a blemish in a man. so shall it be done to him again.

21. And he that killeth a beast, he shall restore it: and he that killeth a man, he shall be put to death.

22. Ye shall have one manner of law, as well

for the stranger, as for one of vour own country: for I

am the LORD your God.

23. And Moses spake to the children of Israel, that they should bring forth him that had cursed out of the camp. and stone him with stones. And the children of Israel did as the LORD commanded Moses

CHAPTER 25

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses in mount Sinai, savina,

2. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

. When ye come into the

land which I give you,

then shall the land keep

a sabbath unto the LORD.

3. Six years thou shalt

SOW thy field.

and six years thou shalt

prune thy vineyard.

and aather in the fruit thereof:

4. But in

the seventh year shall be a sabbath of rest

unto the land, a sabbath

for the LORD: thou shalt

neither sow thy field,

nor prune thy vineyard. 5. That which groweth of

its own accord of thy harvest

thou shalt not reap. neither aather the

grapes of thy vine undressed: for it is a year of rest unto the land.

6 And the sabbath of the land shall be meat for you:

for thee, and for thy servant, and for thy maid, and for thy hired servant, and for thy stranger that sojourneth with thee.

7. And for thy

cattle, and for the

beast that are in thy land. shall all the increase

thereof be meat. And thou shalt

number seven sabbaths

of vears unto thee.

seven times seven vears: and the space

of the seven sabbaths of years

shall be unto thee

forty and

nine years.

Then shalt thou

cause the trumpet of the iubile to sound on the tenth day of the seventh

month, in the day of atonement shall ve make the trumpet sound throughout all your land.

10. And ye shall hallow the fiftieth year, and proclaim liberty throughout all the

land unto all the inhabitants

thereof: it shall be a jubile unto you:

and ye shall return every man unto his possession. and ve shall return

every man unto his family.

11. A jubile shall that fiftieth year be unto you:

ve shall not sow.

neither reap

that which groweth of itself in it,

nor gather the

grapes in it of thy vine undressed.

12. For it is the jubile; it

shall be holy unto you:

ve shall eat the

increase thereof out

of the field.

> 13. In the year of this jubile ye shall return every man unto his possession.

14. And if thou sell aught unto thy neighbour, or

buyest aught of thy neighbour's hand,

ye shall not oppress

one another:

> 15. According to the number of years after the jubile thou shalt buy of thy

- neighbour, and according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee:
- 16. According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for according to the number of the years of the fruits doth be sell unto thee
- 17. Ye shall not therefore oppress one another;
- but thou shalt fear thy

God: for I am the LORD your God.

18. Wherefore ye shall

- do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;
- and ye shall
- dwell in the land in safety.
 - 19. And the land shall yield her fruit, and ye shall eat your fill, and dwell therein in safety.
- 20. And if ye shall
- say, What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase:
- 21. Then I will command
 my blessing upon you
 in the sixth year, and
 it shall bring forth fruit

it shall bring forth fruit for three years.

22. And ye shall sow the
eighth year, and eat yet
of old fruit until the ninth
vear: until her fruits come in ve

YEAT; until her fruits come in ye shall eat of the old store.

23. The land shall

not be sold for ever:
for the land is mine; for

ye *are* strangers and sojourners with me.

■ 24. **And in** all the land of

your possession ye shall grant a redemption for the land.

25. If thy brother be waxen poor, and hath

sold away some of

his possession, and if any of his kin come to redeem it,

then shall he redeem that which his brother sold.

- 26. And if the man have none to redeem it, and himself be able to redeem it:
- 27. Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it; that he may return unto his possession.
- 28. But if he be not able to restore it to him.
- then that which is soldshall remain in the hand
- of him that hath bought it
 until the year of jubile: and
 in the jubile it shall go out, and
 - he shall return unto his possession.
- 29. And if a man sell a dwelling house in a walled city, then he may redeem it within a
- he may redeem it within a whole year after it is sold;

within a full year may he redeem it.

30. And if it be not

redeemed within the space of a full year, then the

■ house that is in the walled city

shall be established for ever to him that bought it

throughout his generations:

it shall not go out in the jubile.

- 31. But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the
- fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.
- 32. Notwithstanding the cities of the Levites, and the houses of the cities of their possession.
 - may the Levites
- redeem at any time.
- 33. And if a man purchase of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of
- his possession, shall ao out in the year of
- go out in the year of
 jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their possession
 - among the children of Israel. 34. **But the field of the**

193 suburbs of their cities may not be sold: for it is their perpetual possession. 35 And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee; then thou shalt relieve him: yea, **though** he be a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee. 36. Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee. 37. Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, nor lend him thy victuals for increase. 38. I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, and to be your God. 39. And if thy brother that dwelleth by thee be waxen poor, and be ■ | sold unto thee: thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant: 40. But as an hired servant, and as a sojourner, he shall be with thee, and shall serve thee unto the vear of jubile. 41. And then shall he depart from thee, both he and his children with him. and shall return unto his own family, and unto the possession of his fathers shall he return. ■ 42. For they *are* my ■ servants, which i brought forth **Out of** the land of Egypt: they shall not

■ be sold as bondmen.

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43. Thou shalt not rule

44. Both thy bondmen,

and thy bondmaids,

over him with rigour; but

shalt fear thy God.

which thou shalt have. shall be of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ve buy bondmen and bondmaids. 45. Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy. and of their families that are with you. which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession. 46. And ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit them for a possession; they shall be your hondmen for ever: but over your brethren the children of Israel, **ye shall not rule** one over another with rigour. 47. And if a solourner or stranger wax rich by thee, and thy **brother** that dwelleth by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger or sojourner by thee. or to the stock of the stranger's family: 48. After that he is sold he may be redeemed again: one of his brethren may redeem him: 49. Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is night of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able. he may redeem himself. 50. And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years. according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him. 51. If there be yet many years behind,

according unto them he shall give

again the price of his redemption out

of the money that he was bought for.

52. And if there remain but few years

■ I suburbs of their cities may not be sold; for it is their perpetual possession. 35. And if thy brother be waxen poor, and fallen in decay with thee: then thou shalt relieve him: yea. though he be a stranger, or a sojourner; that he may live with thee. 36. Take thou no usury of him, or increase: but fear thy God; that thy brother may live with thee. 37. Thou shalt not give him thy money upon usury, **nor** lend him thy victuals for increase. 38. I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, to give you the land of Canaan, and to be your God. 39. And if thy brother that dwelleth by thee be waxen poor, and be sold unto thee; thou shalt not compel him to serve as a bondservant: 40. But as an hired servant, and as a sojourner. he shall be with thee, and shall serve thee unto the year of jubile. 41 And then shall he depart from thee, both he and his children with him. and shall return unto his own family, and unto the **Dossession** of his fathers shall he return. 42. For they are my servants, which I **brought** forth out of the land of | Egypt: they shall not be sold as bondmen. ■ 43. Thou shalt not rule over him with rigour; but shalt fear thy God.

44. Both thy bondmen,

and thy bondmaids.

which thou shalt have. shall be of the heathen that are round about you; of them shall ve buy bondmen and bondmaids. 45. Moreover of the children of the strangers that do sojourn among you, of them shall ye buy. and of their families that are with you, which they begat in your land: and they shall be your possession. 46. And ye shall take them as an inheritance for your children after you, to inherit them for a possession; they shall be your bondmen for ever: but over your brethren the children of Israel. ve shall not rule one over another with rigour. 47. And if a sojourner or stranaer wax rich by thee, and thy **brother** that dwelleth by him wax poor, and sell himself unto the stranger or sojourner by thee, or to the stock of the stranger's family: 48. After that he is sold he may be redeemed again; one of his brethren may redeem him: 49. Either his uncle, or his uncle's son, may redeem him, or any that is night of kin unto him of his family may redeem him; or if he be able. he may redeem himself. 50. And he shall reckon with him that bought him from the year that he was sold to him unto the year of jubile: and the price of his sale shall be according unto the number of years, according to the time of an hired servant shall it be with him.

51. If there be yet many years behind,

of the money that he was bought for.

52. And if there remain but few years

according unto them he shall give again the price of his redemption out

neighbour, and according unto the number of years of the fruits he shall sell unto thee:

16. According to the multitude of years thou shalt increase the price thereof, and according to the fewness of years thou shalt diminish the price of it: for according to the number of the years of the fruits doth he sell unto thee.

17. Ye shall not therefore oppress one another:

but thou shalt fear thy God: for I am the LORD your God.

18. Wherefore ye shall

do my statutes, and keep my judgments, and do them;

and ve shall

dwell in the land in safety.

> 19. And the land shall yield her fruit, and ve shall eat your fill. and dwell therein in safety.

20. And if ye shall

say. What shall we eat the seventh year? behold, we shall not sow, nor gather in our increase:

21. Then I will command

my blessing upon you in the sixth year, and

it shall bring forth fruit for three years.

22. And ye shall sow the eighth year, and eat yet of old fruit until the ninth

year; until her fruits come in ve shall eat of the old store. 23. The land shall

not be sold for ever:

for the land is mine; for ye are strangers and

sojourners with me. 24. And in all the land of

your possession ye shall arant a redemption for the land.

25. If thy brother be waxen

poor, and hath sold away some of

his possession, and if any of his kin come to redeem it.

then shall be redeem that ■ which his brother sold.

26. And if the man have none. to redeem it, and himself be able to redeem it:

27. Then let him count the years of the sale thereof, and restore the overplus unto the man to whom he sold it: that he may return unto his possession.

28. But if he be not able to restore it to him.

then that which is sold shall remain in the hand

of him that hath bought it until the vear of jubile: and in the jubile it shall go out, and

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a full year, then the house that is in the walled city

shall be established for ever to him that bought it

throughout his generations:

it shall not go out in the jubile.

31. But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them

shall be counted as the fields of the country: they

may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubile.

32. Notwithstanding the cities of the Levites. and the houses of the cities

of their possession.

may the Levites redeem at any time.

33. And if a man purchase

of the Levites, then the house that was sold, and the city of

his possession, shall go out in the year of

> jubile: for the houses of the cities of the Levites are their possession among the children of Israel.

34. But the field of the

unto the year of jubile, then he shall count with him, and according unto his years shall he give him again the price of his redemption.

53. And as a yearly hired

53. And as a yearly hired servant shall he be with him: and the other shall not rule with rigour over him in thy sight.

54. And if he be not redeemed in these years,
 then he shall go out in the year of jubile, both he, and his children with him.

55. For unto me

■ the children of

Israel are servants; they are my servants whom I

brought forth out of the land of Egypt: I am the LORD your God.

CHAPTER 26

■ 1. Ye shall make you ■ no idols nor graven

image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God.

2. Ye shall keep my
 sabbaths, and reverence
 my sanctuary: I am the LORD.

3. If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my

commandments, and do them;

4. Then I will give

you rain in due season,

and the land shall yield her increase, and the

trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

And your threshing shall reach unto the vintage, and the vintage shall reach unto the sowing time:

and ye shall eat your
bread to the full, and
dwell in your land safely.

6. And I will give peace in the land.

■ and ye shall lie down, ■ and none shall make you

afraid: and I will rid evil beasts out of the land.

I | beasts out of the lana, I | neither shall the sword go through your land.

7. And ye shall chase your enemies, and they

shall fall before

YOU by the sword.

8. And five of you shall

chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall

put ten thousand to flight:

and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.

9. For I will have respect unto you, and make you fruitful, and

multiply you, and establishmy covenant with you.

10. And ye shall eat old store, and bring forth the old because of the new.

11. And I will set mytabernacle among you:

and my soul shall not abhor you.

12. **And I will**

walk among you, and will be your God, and ye shall be my people.

13. I am the LORD your God, which brought you forth out of the land of Egypt, that ye should not be their bondmen; and I have broken the bands of your yoke, and made you go upright.

14. But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments;

15. And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, *but* that ye break my covenant:

16. I also will do this unto you;

■ I will even

appoint over you terror,

consumption, and
 the burning ague, that
 shall consume the eyes.

and cause sorrow of heart:

and ye shall sow your

seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

17. And I will set my face against you,

and ye shall be slain

before your enemies: they that hate you shall reign over you;

and ye shall

and ve shall eat.

195 flee when none pursueth vou. 18 And if ve will not vet for all this hearken unto me, then ■ I will punish you seven times more for your sins. 19. And I will break the pride of your power: and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass: 20. And your strength shall be spent in vain: for vour land shall not vield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits. 21. And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me: I will bring seven times more plaques upon you according to your sins. 22 I will also send wild beasts among you. which shall rob you of your children, and destroy your cattle, and make you few in number: and your high ways shall be desolate. 23. And if ve will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me: 24. Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins. 25. And I will bring a sword upon you, that shall avenge the quarrel of my covenant: and when ye are gathered together within your cities, I will send the

pestilence among you;

bread again by weight:

and ye shall be delivered into the hand of the enemy. 26. And when I have broken the staff of your bread, ten women shall bake your bread in one oven, and they shall deliver you your

and not be satisfied. 27. And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me; 28. Then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise vou seven times for your sins. 29. And ye shall eat the flesh of your sons, and the flesh of your daughters shall ye eat. 30. And I will destroy your high places, and cut down your images. and cast your carcases **UDON** the carcases of your idols, and my soul shall abhor you. 31. And I will make your cities waste, and bring your sanctuaries unto desolation. and I will not smell the savour of your sweet odours. 32. And I will bring the land into desolation; and your enemies which dwell therein shall be astonished at it. 33. And I will scatter you among the heathen, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste. 34. Then shall the land enjoy her sabbaths, as long as it lieth desolate, and ye *be* in your enemies' land: even then shall the land rest, and enjoy her sabbaths. 35. As long as it lieth desolate it shall rest; because it did not rest in your sabbaths, when ve dwelt upon it. 36. And upon them that are left alive of you I will send a faintness into their hearts in the lands of their enemies: and the sound of a shaken leaf shall chase them; and they shall flee, as fleeing from a sword; and they shall fall when none pursueth.

- 37. And they shall fall one upon another, as it were before a sword. when none pursueth; and ve shall have no
- power to stand before vour enemies.
 - 38. And ye shall
- perish among the heathen,
- and the land of
- vour enemies
- shall eat you up. 39. And they that
- are left of you
- shall pine away in their iniquity in your enemies'
- lands; and also in the iniquities of their fathers shall they pine away with them.
- 40. If they shall confess their iniquity, and the iniquity of their fathers, with their trespass which they trespassed against me, and that also they have walked contrary unto me;
 - 41. And that I also have walked contrary unto them, and have brought them into the land of their enemies;
- if then
- their uncircumcised hearts be humbled, and they then accept of the punishment
- of their iniquity:
- 42. Then will I remember my covenant with Jacob,

and also my covenant with

- Isaac, and also my covenant with
- Abraham will I remember:
- and I will remember the land.
 - 43. The land also shall be left of them. and shall enjoy her sabbaths, while she lieth desolate without them; and they shall accept of the punishment of their iniquity: because, even because they despised my judgments, and because their soul abhorred my statutes.
- 44. And yet for all that,
- when they be in the land of their enemies,
- I will not cast them away.
- neither will I abhor them, to
- destroy them utterly, and to

- break my covenant with them: for I am the LORD their God.
- 45. But I will for their sakes remember the covenant of their ancestors. whom I brought forth out of the land of Egypt in the sight of the heathen, that I might be their God: I am the LORD. 46. These are the statutes and judgments and laws, which the LORD made between him and the children of Israel in mount Sinai by the hand of Moses.

CHAPTER 27

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 2. Speak unto the children of
- Israel, and say unto them,
- When a man shall make
- a singular vow, the
- persons shall be for the LORD by thy estimation.
- And thy estimation
- shall be of the male from
- twenty years old even
 - unto sixty years old.
- even thy estimation shall = 1 be fifty shekels of silver,
 - after the shekel of the sanctuary.
 - 4. And if it be

- a female, then
- thy estimation shall
- be thirty shekels.
- And if it be from five vears old even
- unto twenty years old, then
- thy estimation shall be of the male twenty
- shekels, and for the
- female ten shekels.
- 6. And if it be from
 - a month old even
- unto five years old, then
- thy estimation shall be of the male five shekels of silver.
- and for the female thy
- estimation shall be
- three shekels of silver. = 1
- 7. And if it be
- from sixty years old and
- above; if it be
- a male, then thy estimation
- |■| shall be fifteen shekels.

according to the seed

and for the female ten shekels. 8. But if he be poorer than thy estimation, then he shall present himself before the priest, and ■ the priest shall value him; ■ according to his ability that vowed shall the priest value him. And if it be a beast, whereof men bring an offering unto the LORD, all that any man giveth of such unto the LORD shall be holy. He shall not alter it, nor change if, a good for a bad, or a bad for a good: and if he shall at all change beast for beast, then it and the exchange thereof shall be holy. 11. And if it be any unclean beast, of which they do not offer a sacrifice unto the LORD. ■ I then he shall present the **beast** before the priest: 12. And the priest shall value it, whether it be good or bad: as thou valuest it. who art the priest, so shall it be. 13. But if he will at all redeem it, then he shall add a fifth part thereof unto thy estimation. 14. And when a man shall sanctify his house to be holy unto the LORD, then the priest shall estimate it. whether it be good or bad: as the priest shall estimate ■ if, so shall it stand. 15. And if he that sanctified it will redeem his house, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it. and it shall be his. ■ 16. And if a man shall sanctify unto the LORD some part of a field of

his possession, then

I thy estimation shall be

thereof: an homer of barley seed shall be valued at fifty shekels of silver. 17. If he sanctify his field from the year of jubile, according to thy estimation it shall stand. 18. But if he sanctify his field after the iubile, then the priest shall reckon unto him the money according to the years that remain, even unto the year of the jubile. and it shall be abated from thy estimation. And if he that sanctified the field will in any wise redeem it, then he shall add the fifth part of the money of thy estimation unto it, and it shall be assured to him. 20. And if he will not redeem the field, or if he have sold the field to another man, it shall not be redeemed any more. 21. But the field, when it aoeth out in the jubile, shall be holy unto the LORD. as a field devoted; the possession thereof shall be the priest's. 22. And if a man sanctify unto the LORD a field which he hath **bought**, which is not of the fields of his possession; 23. Then the priest shall reckon unto him the worth of thy estimation, even unto the year of the jubile: and he shall give thine estimation in that day. as a holy thing 8 unto the LORD. 24. In the year of the jubile the field shall return

unto him of whom it was

bought. even to him to whom the possession of the land did belona. 25 And all thy estimations shall be according to the shekel of the sanctuary: twenty gerahs shall be the shekel. 26. Only the firstling of the beasts, which should be the LORD's firstling. no man shall sanctify it; whether it be ox. or sheep: it is the LORD's. 27. And if it be of

27. And if it be of
 an unclean beast, then he
 shall redeem it according

to thine estimation, and shall add a fifth part of it thereto:

or if it be not redeemed,
then it shall be sold
according to thy estimation.

Notwithstanding no

28. Notwithstanding no devoted thing, that a man shall devote unto the LORD of all that he hath, both of man and beast, and of the field of his possession,

shall be sold or redeemed: every devoted thing is most holy unto the LORD.

■ 29. None devoted,

which shall be devoted
of men, shall be
redeemed; but shall surely
be put to death.
30. And all the tithe of
the land, whether of the seed
of the land, or of the fruit of the
tree, is the LORD's: it

is holy unto the LORD.

31. And if a man will at all

redeem aught of his tithes, he

shall add thereto
the fifth part thereof.

■ 32. **And** concerning

the tithe of the herd, or of the flock, even of whatsoever passeth under the rod, the tenth shall be holy

unto the LORD.

33. He shall not search whether it be good or bad, neither shall he change it: and if he change it at all, then both it and the change thereof shall be holy; it shall not be redeemed.

■ 34. These are the

commandments, which the LORD commanded

■ Moses for the children of

■ Israel in mount Sinai.

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CHAPTER 1

■ I 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses in

the wilderness of Sinai, in the tabernacle of the congregation.

on the first day of the second month, in the second year after they

were come out of the land of Egypt, saying,

2 Take ye the sum

of all the congregation

of the children of Israel, after their families, by the house of their fathers, with the number of their names, every male by their polls;

3. From twenty years old and upward, all that are able to ao forth

to war in Israel:

thou and Aaron shall

number them by **=**1 their armies.

> 4. And with you there shall be a man of every tribe; every one head of the house of his fathers.

5. And these are the names of the men that shall stand with you: of the tribe of Reuben: Elizur the son of Shedeur.

6. Of Simeon: Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

7. Of Judah: Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

8. Of Issachar: Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

9 Of Zebulun: Fliab the son of Helon

10. Of the children of Joseph: of Ephraim: Elishama the son of Ammihud: of Manasseh: Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

11. Of Benjamin; Abidan the son of Gideoni.

12. Of Dan: Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

13. Of Asher: Pagiel the son of Ocran.

14. Of Gad; Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

15. Of Naphtali: Ahira the son of Enan.

16. These were the

renowned of the congregation, princes of the tribes of their fathers. heads of thousands in Israel.

17. And Moses and Aaron took these men which are expressed by their names:

18. And they assembled all the congregation together on the first day of the second month, and they declared their pedigrees

after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, by their polls.

19. As the LORD

commanded Moses en he numbered

them in the wilderness of Sinai.

20. And the children of

Reuben, Israel's eldest son. by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward. all that were able to go forth to war: 21 Those that were

numbered of them, even of the tribe of Reuben, were

forty and

six thousand and five hundred.

22 Of the children of

Simeon, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, those that were numbered of them, according to the number of the names, by their polls, every male from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war:

23. Those that were numbered of them. even of the tribe of Simeon,

were fifty and

nine thousand and

three hundred.

24. Of the children of Gad,

by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were

able to go forth to war: 25. Those that were numbered of them even of the tribe of Gad.

were forty and

five thousand six hundred and fifty.

26. Of the children of

Judah. by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty vears old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

27 **Those** that were numbered of them even of the tribe of Judah

were threescore and fourteen thousand and

six hundred

28 Of the children of **Issachar**, by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty vears old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war:

29. **Those** that were numbered of them. even of the tribe of Issachar.

were fifty and

four thousand and

four hundred 30. Of the children of

Zebulun, by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war:

31. Those that were numbered of them. even of the tribe of Zebulun.

were fifty and

seven thousand and four hundred

32. Of the children of Joseph,

namely, of the children of **=** 1 **Ephraim**, by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty vears old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war: 33 Those that were

numbered of them, even of the tribe of Ephraim, were forty thousand and

five hundred

34 Of the children

of Manasseh, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

35 Those that were numbered of them

even of the tribe of Manasseh

were thirty and

two thousand and two hundred

36. Of the children of

Benjamin, by their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty vears old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war:

37 **Those** that were numbered of them. even of the tribe of Benjamin,

were thirty and five thousand and four hundred

38 Of the children

of Dan, by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war: 39. Those that were numbered of

them, even of the tribe of Dan, were threescore and

two thousand and seven hundred.

40. Of the children

of Asher, by their generations. after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

41 Those that were numbered of

them, even of the tribe of Asher, were

■ forty and

one thousand and five hundred.

42. Of the children

of Naphtali, throughout their generations, after their families, by the house of their fathers, according to the number of the names, from twenty years old and upward, all that were able to go forth to war;

43. Those that were numbered of them, even of the tribe of Naphtali, were

■ | fifty and

three thousand and four hundred.

44. These are

44. These are
 those that were numbered, which Moses and Aaron numbered, and the princes of Israel, being twelve men: each one was for the house of his fathers.
 45. So were all those that were numbered of the children of Israel, by the house of their fathers, from twenty years old and upward, all that were

■ able to go forth to war in Israel;

46. Even all they that were numbered were six hundred thousand and

■ three thousand and

five hundred and fifty.

47. **But the Levites** after the tribe of their fathers

were not numbered among them.

■ 48. For the LORD had spoken unto Moses, saving.

49. Only thou shalt not number the tribe of Levi, neither take the sum of them among the children of Israel: 50. But

thou shalt appoint the Levites over the

tabernacle of testimony, and over all the vessels thereof,

■ and over all things that belong to it:

they shall bear the tabernacle, and all the

vessels thereof; and they shall minister unto it, and shall encamp

round about the tabernacle

51. **And** when the tabernacle setteth forward, the Levites

shall take it down: and when the tabernacle is to be pitched, the Levites shall

set it up: and the stranger that cometh night shall

■ be put to death.

■ 52. And the children of Israel shall pitch

their tents, every man by his

own camp, and every man by his own standard, throughout their hosts.

■ 53. But the Levites

shall pitch round about

the tabernacle of testimony, that there be no wrath upon the congregation of the children of Israel;

■ and the Levites shall

■ keep the charge of the

tabernacle of testimony.

54. And the children of

54. And the children of Israel did according to

all that the LORD

commanded Moses, so did they.

CHAPTER 2

And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saying,

2. **Every man** of the children of Israel

shall pitch by his own

standard, with the ensign
of their father's house: far off
about the tabernacle of

the congregation shall they pitch.

3. And on the east side toward the rising of the sun shall

they of the

standard of the camp
of Judah pitch

throughout their armies:

and Nahshon the son of Amminadab

shall be captain

of the children of Judah.

4. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were threescore and fourteen thousand and six hundred.

5. And those that do pitch

next unto him shall be the tribe of Issachar: and ■ Nethaneel the son of Zuar shall be captain of the children of Issachar.

- 6. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and four thousand and four hundred.
- 7. Then the tribe of Zebulun: and Eliab the son of Helon shall be captain of
 - the children of Zebulun. 8. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were fifty and seven thousand and four hundred.
 - All that were numbered in the camp. of Judah were an hundred thousand. and fourscore thousand and six thousand and four hundred. throughout their armies.
- These shall first set forth. 10. On the south side shall
- be the standard of the camp of
- Reuben according to their armies:

and the captain of the children of Reuben

shall be Flizur

the son of Shedeur.

- 11. And his host, and those that were numbered thereof, were forty and six thousand and five hundred.
- 12. And those which pitch by him shall be the tribe of Simeon: and the captain of the children of Simeon
- shall be Shelumiel

the son of Zurishaddai

- 13. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and nine thousand and three hundred
- 14. Then the tribe of Gad: and the
- captain of the sons of Gad

shall be Eliasaph the son of Reuel

- 15. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were forty and five thousand and six hundred and fifty.
- 16. All that were numbered in the camp of Reuben were an hundred thousand and fifty and one thousand and four hundred and fifty, throughout their armies. And they shall set forth

in the second rank.

- 17. Then the tabernacle of the congregation shall set forward with the camp of the Levites in the midst of the camp; as they encamp, so shall they set forward, every man in his place by their standards.
- 18. On the west side shall be the standard of the camp of Ephraim according to their armies:
 - and the captain

of the sons of Ephraim

shall be Elishama

the son of Ammihud.

- 19 And his host, and those that were numbered of them were forty thousand and five hundred.
- 20. And by him shall be the tribe of
- Manasseh: and the captain of the

children of Manasseh shall be Gamaliel

the son of Pedahzur.

- 21. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were thirty and two thousand and two hundred.
- 22. Then the tribe of Benjamin: and the
- captain of the sons of Benjamin
 - shall be Abidan the son of Gideoni.

23. And his host, and those that were numbered of them. were thirty and five thousand and four hundred.

- All that were numbered. of the camp of Ephraim were an hundred thousand and eight thousand and an hundred. throughout their armies. And they shall go forward in the third rank.
- 25 The standard of the camp. of Dan shall be on the
- north side by their armies:
- and the captain of the children of Dan
- shall be Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.
 - 26. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were threescore and two thousand and seven hundred.

27. And those that encamp by him shall be the tribe of Asher: and the captain of the children of Asher

shall be Pagiel

the son of Ocran.

28. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, *were* forty and one thousand and five hundred.

29. **Then** the tribe of

Naphtali: and the captain of the children of Naphtali

shall be Ahira the son of Enan.

30. And his host, and those that were numbered of them, were fifty and three thousand and four hundred.

31. All they that were numbered in the camp of Dan were an hundred thousand and fifty and seven thousand and six hundred. They shall go hindmost with their standards.

32. These *are* those which were numbered of the children of Israel by the house of their fathers:

all those that were numbered of the camps

throughout their hosts were six hundred thousand and

three thousand and fifty.

■ 33. But the Levites were

not numbered among the children of Israel:

as the LORD commanded Moses.

34. And the children of Israel did according to all that the LORD commanded Moses:

so they pitched by their

standards, and so they set forward, every one after their families.

according to the house of their fathers.

CHAPTER 3

These also are the generations of Aaron and Moses in the day that the LORD spake with Moses in mount Sinai.

2. And these are

■ I the names of the

sons of Aaron; Nadab the firstborn, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

- 3. These are the names of the sons of Aaron, the priests which were anointed, whom he consecrated to minister in the priest's office.
- 4. And Nadab and Abihu died before the LORD, when they offered strange fire before the LORD, in the wilderness of Singi

in the wilderness of Sinai, and they had no children:

and Eleazar and Ithamar ministered in the priest's

Office in the sight of Aaron their father.

5. And the LORD spake
 unto Moses, saying,
 6. Bring the tribe of

6. Bring the tribe of Levi near, and present them before Aaron

them before Aaron the priest, that they

may minister unto him.

7. And they shall keep his

charge, and the charge

Of the whole congregation before the tabernacle of the congregation, to do the service of the tabernacle.

8. And they shall keep all the instruments of the tabernacle of the congregation, and the charge of the children of Israel. to

do the service of the tabernacle.

the tabernacle.
9. And thou shalt give
the Levites unto Aaron

the Levites unto and to his sons:

they *are* wholly given unto him out of the children of Israel.

10. And thou shalt appoint

and they shall wait on their priest's office:
 and the stranger that cometh

nigh shall be put to death.

■ 11. And the LORD spake unto Moses,

Aaron and his sons,

■| saying,

12. And I, behold,

I have taken the Levites from among the children of Israel

instead of all the firstborn

that openeth the matrix among the children of Israel:

therefore the Levites shall be mine:

13. Because all the firstborn are mine: for on

the day that

I smoté all the

firstborn in the land of

Egypt I hallowed unto me all the firstborn in

Israel, both man and beast: mine shall they be: I am the LORD.

14. And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, saving,

15. Number the children of Levi after the house of their fathers, by their families:

every male from a month old and upward shalt thou number them.

16. And Moses

numbered them according to the word of the LORD.

as he was commanded.

17. And these were the sons of Levi by their names: Gershon. and Kohath, and Merari.

18. And these are the names of the sons of Gershon by their families: Libni, and Shimei.

19. And the sons of Kohath by their families; Amram, and Izehar, Hebron, and Uzziel.

20. And the sons of Merari by their families: Mahli, and Mushi. These are the families of the Levites according to the house of their fathers.

21. Of Gershon was the family of the Libnites, and the family of the Shimites: these are the families of the Gershonites.

22. Those that were numbered of them, according to the number of all the males, from a month old and upward, even those that were numbered of them were seven thousand and five hundred

23. The families of the ■ Gershonites shall pitch behind the tabernacle westward.

24. And the chief of the house of

the father of the Gershonites shall be Eliasaph the son of Lael.

25. And the charge of the sons of Gershon in the

tabernacle of the congregation shall be the tabernacle, and

the tent, the covering thereof, and the

hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

26. And the hangings of the court, and the curtain

for the door of the court. which is by the tabernacle. and by the altar round about.

and the cords of it. for allthe service thereof

> 27. And of Kohath was the family of the Amramites, and the family of the Izeharites, and the family of the Hebronites, and the family of the Uzzielites: these are the families of

the Kohathites.

> 28. In the number of all the males. from a month old and upward, were eight thousand and six hundred. keeping the charge of the sanctuary. 29. The families of the sons of Kohath

shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle southward.

> 30. And the chief of the house of the father of the families of the Kohathites shall be Elizaphan the son of Uzziel.

31. And their charae shall be the ark, and the

table, and the candlestick, and

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the altars, and the vessels of the sanctuary wherewith

they minister, and the hanging. and all the service thereof.

32. And Eleazar the son of Aaron the priest

> shall be chief over the chief of the Levites, and have the oversight of

them that keep the charge of the sanctuary.

> 33. Of Merari was the family of the Mahlites, and the family of the Mushites: these are

the families of Merari.

34 And those that were numbered

of them, according to the number

of all the males, from a month

threescore and

51. And Moses

five shekels, after the

shekel of the sanctuary:

old and upward, were six thousand and two hundred 35. And the chief of the house of the father of the families of Merari was Zuriel the son of Abihail: these shall pitch on the side of the tabernacle northward. 36. And under the custody and charae of the sons of Merari shall be the boards of the tabernacle. and the bars thereof, and the **Dillars** thereof, and the sockets thereof. and all the vessels thereof. and all that serveth thereto. 37. And the pillars of the court round about, and their sockets, and their pins, and their cords. 38 But those that encamp before the tabernacle toward the east, even before the tabernacle of the congregation eastward, shall be Moses, and Aaron and his sons, keeping the charge of the sanctuary for the charge of the children of Israel: and the stranger that cometh nigh shall be put to death. 39. All that were numbered of the Levites, which Moses and Aaron numbered at the commandment of the LORD throughout their families, all the males from a month old and upward. were twenty and two thousand. 40. And the LORD said unto Moses, Number all the firstborn of the males of the children of Israel from a month old and upward. and take the number of their names. 41. And thou shalt take the **Levites for me** (I am the LORD) instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel; and the cattle of the

Levites instead of all the firstlings among the cattle of the children of Israel. 42. And Moses numbered, as the LORD commanded him, all the firstborn among the children of Israel. 43. And all the firstborn males by the number of names. from a month old and upward, of those that were numbered of them. were twenty and two thousand two hundred and threescore and thirteen. 44. And the LORD spake unto Moses. savina. 45. Take the Levites instead of all the firstborn among the children of Israel, and the cattle of the Levites instead of their cattle: and the Levites shall be mine: Lam the LOBD. 46 And for those that are to be redeemed of the two hundred and threescore and thirteen of the firstborn of the children of Israel, which are more than the Levites: 47. Thou shalt even take five shekels apiece by the poll, after the shekel of the sanctuary shalt thou take them: (the shekel is twenty gerahs:) 48. And thou shalt give the money. wherewith the odd number of them is to be redeemed. unto Aaron and to his sons. 49. And Moses took the redemption money of them that were over and above them that were redeemed by the Levites: 50. Of the firstborn of the children. of Israel took he the money: a thousand three hundred and

gave the money of them that were redeemed unto Aaron and to

his sons, according to the word of the LORD.

as the LORD

■ commanded Moses

CHAPTER 4

 And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Agron, saving, 2. Take the sum of the sons of Kohath from among the sons of Levi, after their families. by the house of their fathers.

From thirty years old and upward even

until fifty years old, all that enter into the host.

to do the work in the

tabernacle of the congregation. 4. This shall be the service of the sons of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation.

about the most holy things:

5. And when the camp setteth forward.

Agron shall come.

and his sons, and they shall take down the

covering vail, and cover

the ark of testimony with it:

6. And shall put

thereon the covering of

badgers skins, and shall

spread over it a cloth wholly of blue, and shall put

in the staves thereof.

And upon the table of shewbread they shall spread a cloth of blue, and put thereon the dishes, and the spoons. and the bowls, and covers

to cover withal; and the

continual bread shall be thereon:

8. And they shall spread upon them a cloth of scarlet, and cover the same

with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put in the staves thereof. 9. And they shall take a cloth of blue, and cover

the candlestick of the light. and his

lamps, and his

tonas, and his

snuffdishes, and all the oil vessels thereof

wherewith they minister unto it:

And they shall.

put it and all the vessels thereof within a covering of badgers' skins, and shall put it upon a bar.

11. And upon the golden altar they shall spread a cloth of blue, and cover it with a covering of badgers' skins, and shall

put to the staves thereof: 12. And they shall take

all the instruments of ministry, wherewith they minister in the sanctuary, and put

them in a cloth of blue, and cover them with a covering of

badgers' skins, and shall put them on a bar:

13. And they shall take away the ashes from the altar, and spread

a purple cloth thereon: 14. And they shall put

> upon if all the vessels thereof. wherewith they minister about it. even the censers, the fleshhooks, and the shovels, and the basons.

all the vessels of the altar: and they shall spread upon it a covering of badgers'

skins, and put to the staves of it. 15. And when Aaron and

his sons have made an end of covering the sanctuary, and all the

vessels of the sanctuary, as the camp is to set forward; after that, the sons of Kohath shall

come to bear it: but they shall not touch any holy thing, lest they die. These

things are the burden of the sons

of Kohath in the tabernacle of the congregation

16. And to the office of

Elegzar the son of Aaron the priest

pertaineth the oil for the ■ liaht, and the sweet

incense, and the

daily meat offering, and the anointing oil, and the **=** |

oversight of all the tabernacle.

and of all that therein is. in the sanctuary, and in

the vessels thereof

■ 17. And the LORD spake

■ unto Moses and unto Aaron sayina.

18. Cut ye not off the

tribe of the families of the Kohathites from

among the Levites:

19. **But** thus do unto them, that they may live, and not die.

when they approach unto

the most holy things: **=** 1

Agron and his sons shall go in, and appoint them every one to his

service and to his burden:

20. But they shall not go in to see when the holy things are covered, lest they die.

21. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving,

22. Take also the sum of the sons of Gershon.

> throughout the houses of their fathers, by their families:

23. From thirty

■ **years old** and upward

until fifty years old shalt thou number them: all that enter in to perform the service, to do the work in the tabernacle of the congregation. 24. This is the service of the families of the Gershonites.

to serve, and for burdens:

25. And they shall bear the curtains of the tabernacle. and the tabernacle of the

congregation, his covering, and the covering of the

badgers' skins that is above upon it, and

the hanging for the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

26. And the hangings of the court, and the

hanging for the door of

the gate of the court, which is by the tabernacle and by the altar round about, and

their cords, and all the instruments of their

Service, and all that is made for them; so shall they serve. 27. At the appointment of Aaron

> and his sons shall be all the service. of the sons of the Gershonites, in all their burdens, and in all their service: and ye shall appoint unto them in charge all their burdens.

28. This is the service of the families of

the sons of Gershon in the tabernacle of the

congregation; and their charge

shall be under the hand of Ithamar the son of Agron the priest.

29. As for the sons of Merari, thou shalt number them after their families, by the house of their fathers:

30. From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty vears old

shalf thou number them. every one that entereth into the service, to do the work of the tabernacle of the congregation.

31. And this is the charge of their burden, according to all their service in the tabernacle of the congregation;

the boards of the tabernacle, and

the bars thereof, and the

pillars thereof.

and sockets thereof. 32. And the pillars of

the court round about, and their sockets, and their

pins, and

their cords, with all their instruments, and with all

their service: and by name ye

shall reckon the instruments of the charge of their burden.

33. This is the service of the families of the sons of Merari, according to all their service, in the tabernacle of the congregation, under the hand of lithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

34. And Moses and Aaron and the

chief of the congregation numbered the sons of the Kohathites after their families, and after the house of their fathers, 35. From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation:

36. And those that were numbered of them by their families were

two thousand seven hundred and fifty.

37. These were they that were numbered of the families of the Kohathites, all that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, which Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

■ 38. **And** those that were numbered of

■ the sons of Gershon.

throughout their families, and by the house of their fathers, 39. From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the tabernacle of the congregation, 40. Even those that were

numbered of them,
throughout their families, by the
house of their fathers, were

two thousand and six hundred and thirty.

41. These are they that were numbered of the families of the sons of Gershon, of all that might do service in the tabernacle of the congregation, whom Moses and Aaron did number according to the commandment of the LORD.

42. **And** those that were

numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, throughout their families, by the house of their fathers, 43. From thirty years old and upward even unto fifty years old, every one that entereth into the service, for the work in the

tabernacle of the congregation.

44. Even those that were numbered of them after their families, were

three thousand and two hundred.

45. These *be* those that were numbered of the families of the sons of Merari, whom Moses and Aaron numbered according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

46. All those that were numbered of the Levites, whom Moses and Aaron and the chief of Israel numbered, after their families, and after the house of their fathers.

47. From thirty years old and upward even

unto fifty years old, every one that came to do the service

of the ministry, and the service of the burden in the tabernacle of the congregation.

48. Even those that were numbered of them.

were eight thousand and five hundred

and fourscore,

49. According to the commandment of the LORD they were numbered by the hand of Moses, every one according to his service, and according to his burden: thus were they numbered of him, as the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAPTER 5

1. And the LORD spakeunto Moses, saying,

Command the children of Israel,

that they put out of the camp every leper, and

every one that hath an

issue, and whosoever is defiled by the dead:

- 3. Both male and female shall ve put out, without the camp shall ve put them; that they defile not their camps, in the midst whereof I dwell.
- 4. And the children of Israel did so. and out them out without the camp: as the LORD spake unto Moses. so did the children of Israel.
- 5. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving.

6. Speak unto the children of Israel. When a man or woman

- shall commit any sin that men commit, to do a trespass against the LORD, and that person be quilty:
- 7. Then they shall confess their sin which they have done: and he shall recompense

his trespass with the principal thereof.

and add unto it

the fifth part thereof, and give if unto him against

whom he hath trespassed.

8. But if the man

have no kinsman to recompense the trespass unto.

let the trespass be

recompensed unto the

LORD. even to the priest; beside the ram of the

atonement, whereby an atonement

shall be made for him.

- 9. And every offering of all the holy things of the children of Israel, which they bring unto the priest, shall be his.
- 10. **And** every man's hallowed things shall be his:

whatsoever anv

man giveth the priest, it shall be his.

11. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

12. Speak unto the children of

■ Israel, and say unto them, If any man's wife go aside, and

commit a trespass against him,

13. And a man lie with her carnally,

and it be hid from the eyes of her husband, and be kept close. and she be defiled. and there be no witness.

against her, neither

she be taken with the manner; 14. And the spirit of jealousy come upon him, and he be lealous of his wife, and she be defiled; or if the spirit of jealousy come upon

him, and he be jealous of his wife, and she be not defiled: 15. Then shall the man bring

his wife unto the priest, and he shall bring her offering for her. the tenth *part* of an ephah of barley meal; he shall pour no oil upon it, nor put frankincense thereon; for it is an offering of iealousy, an offering of memorial.

bringing iniquity to remembrance. 16. And the priest

shall bring her near, and set her before the LORD:

17. And the priest shall take holy water in an earthen vessel: and of

the dust that is

in the floor of the

tabernacle the priest shall take, and put it into the water:

18. And the priest shall set the woman before the LORD, and uncover the woman's

head, and put the

offering of memorial in her hands, which is the jealousy offering:

and the priest

shall have in his hand the bitter water that

causeth the curse:

19. And the priest shall charge her by an oath, and say unto the woman,

If no man have lain with

thee, and if thou hast not gone aside to uncleanness with another instead of thy husband, be

thou free from this bitter

water that causeth the curse: 20. But if thou hast gone aside to another instead of thy husband, and

if thou be defiled, and some man have lain with thee beside thine husband:
21. Then the priest shall charge the woman with an oath of cursing, and the priest shall say unto the woman, The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy

The LORD make thee a curse and an oath among thy people, when the LORD doth make thy thigh to rot, and thy belly to swell;

22 And this water that causeth the curse shall go into thy bowels, to make thy

belly to swell, and thy thigh to rot:

And the woman shall
say, Amen, amen.

23. And the priest shall write these curses in a book, and he shall

blot them out withthe bitter water:

24. And he shall cause the woman to drink the bitter water that causeth the curse; and the water that causeth the curse shall enter into her, and become bitter.

25. Then the priest
 shall take the jealousy
 offering out of the woman's
 hand, and shall wave the
 offering before the LORD,

and offer it upon the altar: 26. And the priest shall take an handful of the offering,

even the memorial thereof,
and burn if upon the
altar, and afterward

shall cause the woman to drink the water.

27. **And** when he hath made her to drink the water, then it shall come to pass, *that*,

if she be defiled, and have done trespass against her husband, that
 the water that causeth the curse

■ shall enter into

her, and become bitter,

and her belly shall swell, and her thigh

shall rot: and the woman shall be a curse among her people.

28. And if the woman be

not defiled, but be clean; then she shall be free.

and shall conceive seed.
29. This is the law of jealousies, when a wife goeth aside to another instead of her husband, and is defiled:

30. Or when the spirit of jealousy cometh upon him, and he be jealous over his wife, and shall set the woman before the LORD, and the priest shall execute upon her all this law.

31. Then shall the man be guiltless from iniquity, and this woman shall bear her iniquity.

CHAPTER 6

1. And the LORD spakei unto Moses, saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

When either man or woman shall separate themselves to you a you

of a Nazarite, to separate themselves

unto the LORD:
3. He shall separate himself
from wine and strong drink,

trom wine and strong arink
and shall
drink no vinegar of wine, or vinegar
of strong drink, neither shall he

drink any liquor of grapes, nor eat moist grapes, or dried.

4. All the days of his separation

4. All the days of his separation shall he

eat nothing that is made
 of the vine tree, from the
 kernels even to the husk.

All the days of the yow of his separation

there shall no razor come

upon his head: until the days be fulfilled, in the which he separateth *himself* unto the LORD,

he shall be holy, andshall let the locks of

the hair of his head grow.

6. All the days that he separateth himself unto the LORD

he shall come at no dead body.

7. He shall not make himself unclean for his father, or for

his mother, for his brother, or for his sister, when they die: because the consecration of his God is upon his head. ■ 8 All the days of his separation he is holy unto the LORD. 9. And if any man die very suddenly by him, and he hath defiled the head of his consecration: then he shall shave his **head** in the day of his cleansing. on the seventh day shall be shave it. 10. And on the eighth day he shall bring two turtles, or two young pigeons, to the priest, to the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: 11. And the priest shall offer the one for a sin offering. and the other for a burnt offering, and make an atonement for him, for that he sinned by the dead, and shall hallow his head that same day. ■ 12. And he shall consecrate unto the LORD the days of his separation, and shall bring a lamb of the first year for a trespass offering: but the days that were before shall be lost, because his separation was defiled. 13. And this is the law of the Nazarite. when the days of his separation are fulfilled: he shall be brought unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation: 14. And he shall offer his offering unto the LORD. one he lamb of the first year without blemish for a burnt offering, and one ewe lamb of the

first year without blemish

■ | for a sin offering, and

one ram without blemish for peace offerings. 15. And a basket of unleavened bread, cakes of fine flour minaled with oil. and wafers of unleavened bread anointed with oil. and their meat offering. and their drink offerings. 16. And the priest shall bring them before the LORD, and shall offer his sin offering, and his burnt offering: 17. And he shall offer the ram for a sacrifice of peace offerings unto the LORD, with the basket of unleavened bread: the priest shall offer also his meat offering, and his drink offering. 18. And the Nazarite shall shave the head of his separation at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. and shall take the hair of the head of his separation. and put it in the fire which is under the sacrifice of the peace offerings. 19. And the priest shall take the sodden shoulder of the ram, and one unleavened cake out of the basket and one unleavened wafer, and shall put *them* upon the hands of the Nazarite, after the hair of his separation is shaven: 20. And the priest shall wave them *for* a wave offering before the LORD: this is holy for the priest, with the wave breast and heave shoulder: and after that the Nazarite may drink wine. 21. This is the law of the Nazarite who hath vowed. and of his offering unto the LORD for his separation, beside that that his hand shall get: according to the vow which he vowed, so he must do after the law of his separation. 22. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, saying, 23. Speak unto Aaron and unto his sons, saying. On this wise ye shall bless the children of

bless the children of Israel, saying unto them.

24. The LORD blessthee, and keep thee:

inee, and keep thee:
25. The LORD make his

face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: 26. The LORD lift up his

countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

27. And they shall put my name upon the children of Israel, and I will bless them.

CHAPTER 7

1. And it came to pass onthe day that Moses had

fully set up the tabernacle,

and had anointed it, and sanctified it, and all the

instruments thereof, both the altar and all the vessels thereof, and had anointed them, and sanctified them;

2. That the princes of Israel, heads of the house of their fathers, who were

the princes of the tribes, and were over them that were numbered,
 offered:

3. And they brought

their offering before the LORD, six covered wagons, and twelve oxen; a wagon for two of the princes.

and for each one an ox: and they brought them before the tabernacle.

4. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

5. Take it of them, that they may be to do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation; and thou shalt

give them unto the Levites, to every man

according to his service.

6. And Moses took the

wagons and the oxen, and gave them unto the Levites.

7. Two wagons and four oxen he gave unto the sons of Gershon,

according to their service:

8. And four wagons and eight oxen he gave unto the sons of Merari, according unto their service, under the hand of Ithamar the son of Aaron the priest.

9. But unto the sons of Kohath he gave none:

because the service of the sanctuary belonging unto them was that they should bear upon their shoulders.

10. And the princes offered for dedicating of the altar in the day that it was anointed.

even the princes offered their offering before the altar.

■ 11. And the LORD

said unto Moses,They shall offer

They shall offer their offering, each prince on his day, for the dedicating of the altar.

12. And he that offered his offering the first day was Nahshon the son of Amminadab, of the tribe of Judah:

13. And his offering was one silver charger, the weight thereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them were full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

14. One spoon of ten shekels of gold, full of incense:

15. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:

16. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

17. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

18. On the second day
Nethaneel the son of Zuar, prince of
Issachar, did offer:

19. He offered for his offering one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after

the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
20. One spoon of gold of ten shekels, full of incense:
21. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
22. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
23. And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first ear: this was the offering of Nethaneel the son of Zuar.

24. On the third day Eliab the son of Helon, prince of the children of
 Zebulun, did offer:

25. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 26. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 27. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first

year, for a burnt offering: 28. One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 29. And for a sacrifice of peace

29. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Eliab the son of Helon.

30. On the fourth day Elizur the son of Shedeur, prince of the children of

■ Reuben, did offer:

31. His offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:
32. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense:
33. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first

year, for a burnt offering:

34. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

35. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Elizur the son of Shedeur.

■ 36. On the lifth day
Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai,
prince of the children of

■ Simeon, did offer:

37. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

38. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense:

39. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 40. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

41. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai.

42. On the sixth day
Eliasaph the son of Deuel,
prince of the children of

prince of the children **Gad**, offered:

43. His offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, a silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

44. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense:45. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first

year, for a burnt offering: 46. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:

47. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this *was* the offering of Eliasaph the son of Deuel.

48. On the seventh day

Flishama the son of Ammihud. prince of the children of

Ephraim, offered: 49. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

- 50. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense:
- 51. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
- 52. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
- 53. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, live he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Elishama the son of Ammihud.

54. On the eighth day offered Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur, prince of the children of

Manasseh:

55. His offering was one silver charger of the weight of an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full offine flour minaled with oil for a meat offering: 56. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 57. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering: 58. One kid of the goats

for a sin offering: 59. And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur.

60. On the ninth day Abidan the son of Gideoni. prince of the children of

Benjamin, offered:

61. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one

silver bowl of seventy shekels. after the shekel of the sanctuary: both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 62. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 63. One vouna bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first vear, for a burnt offering: 64. One kid of the goats

for a sin offering: 65. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first vear: this was the offering of Abidan the son of Gideoni.

66. On the tenth day Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai.

prince of the children of

Dan, offered:

67. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels. after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 68. One golden spoon of ten shekels, full of incense: 69. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first vear, for a burnt offering: 70. One kid of the goats for a sin offering: 71. And for a sacrifice of peace

offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first vear: this was the offering of Abjezer the son of Ammishaddai.

72. On the eleventh

day Pagiel the son of Ocran,

prince of the children of Asher, offered:

73. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering: 74. One golden spoon of ten

- shekels, full of incense:
- 75. One young bullock, one

ram, one lamb of the first year, for a burnt offering:
76. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
77. And for a sacrifice of peace

77. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Pagiel the son of Ocran.

78. On the tweifth day
 Ahira the son of Enan,
 prince of the children of

 Naphtali, offered:

79. His offering was one silver charger, the weight whereof was an hundred and thirty shekels, one silver bowl of seventy shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary; both of them full of fine flour mingled with oil for a meat offering:

80. One golden spoon of ten shekels, tull of incense:

81. One young bullock, one ram, one lamb of the first ear, for a burnt offering:

82. One kid of the goats for a sin offering:
83. And for a sacrifice of peace offerings, two oxen, five rams, five he goats, five lambs of the first year: this was the offering of Ahira the son of Enan.

84. This was the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed.

by the princes of Israel:
 twelve chargers of silver,
 twelve silver bowls.

twelve spoons of gold:

85. Each charger of silver weighing an hundred and thirty shekels, each bowl seventy:

all the silver vessels
 weighed two thousand and
 four hundred shekels.

four hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary:

■ 86. The golden spoons were twelve, full of incense,

■ **Weighing** ten shekels apiece, after the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons was

■ an hundred and twenty shekels.

87. All the oxen for the burnt offering were twelve bullocks, the rams twelve. the lambs of the first year twelve, with their meat offering: and the kids of the goats for sin offering twelve. 88 And all the oxen for the sacrifice of the peace offerings were twenty and four bullocks, the rams sixty, the he goats sixty. the lambs of the first year sixty. This was the dedication of the altar, after that it was anointed. 89. And when Moses was gone into the tabernacle of the congregation to speak with him, then he heard the voice **.** I of one speaking unto him from off the mercy seat that was upon the ark of testimony. from between the two cherubims:

CHAPTER 8

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying.

saying,
Speak unto Aaron

and he spake unto him.

and say unto him, When thou lightest the lamps.

the seven lamps shall give light over against the

candlestick.

And Aaron did so; he lighted the lamps thereof over against the candlestick, as the LORD commanded Moses.

4. **And** this work of

the candlestick was of beaten gold, unto

■ the shaft thereof, unto

the flowers thereof.

was beaten work:

■ according unto the

pattern which the LORD had shewed Moses, so he

made the candlestick.

5. And the LORD

- spake unto Moses. sayina.
- 6 Take the Levites from among the children of Israel.

and cleanse them.

7 And thus shalt thou do unto them, to cleanse them:

Sprinkle water of purifying upon them, and

let them shave all their flesh, and let them

wash their clothes, and so make themselves clean.

8 Then let them

take a young bullock with his meat offering, even fine flour mingled with oil, and another young bullock

shalt thou take

for a sin offerina.

9 And thou shalt

bring the Levites before the

■ tabernacle of the congregation:

and thou shalt gather the whole assembly

of the children of

Israel together:

10. And thou shalt bring the Levites before the LORD: and the children of Israel shall put their hands upon the Levites:

11. And Agron shall offer the Levites before the LORD for an offering of the children of Israel that they may execute the

service of the LORD.

12. And the Levites shall lay their hands upon the heads of the bullocks: and thou shalt offer the

one for a sin offering.

and the other for a

burnt offering, unto the LORD,

to make an atonement for the Levites.

13. And thou shalt set the Levites before Aaron, and before his sons, and offer them for an offering unto the LORD.

14. Thus shalt thou separate the Levites from among the children of Israel:

and the Levites

shall be mine.

15. And after that shall the Levites go in to do the service of the tabernacle

of the congregation; and thou shalt cleanse them, and offer them for an offering.

16. For they are wholly given unto me from among the children of Israel: instead of such as open every womb, even instead of the firsthorn of all the children of Israel, have I taken them unto me.

For all the firstborn of the children. of Israel are mine, both man and beast: on the day that I smote every firstborn in the land of Egypt I sanctified them for myself.

18. And I have taken the Levites for all the firstborn of the children of Israel.

19. And I have given

the Levites as a gift to Agron and to his sons

from among the children of Israel. to do the service of the

children of Israel in the tabernacle of the congregation, and to make an atonement for

the children of Israel:

that there be no plague among the children of Israel, when the children of Israel come nigh unto the sanctuary.

> 20. And Moses, and Aaron, and all the congregation of the children of Israel, did to the Levites according unto all that the LORD commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did the children of Israel unto them.

21 And the Levites were purified, and they washed their clothes: and Aaron offered them. as an offering before the LORD: and Aaron made an atonement for them to cleanse them

22. And after that

went the Levites in

to do their service in the tabernacle of the

congregation before Aaron, and before his sons; as the LORD had

commanded Moses concerning the Levites, so did they unto them.

23. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 24. This is it that belongeth unto the Levites:

■ from twenty and

five years old and upward

■ | they shall go in to wait upon the

■ service of

■ the tabernacle

of the congregation:

■ 25. And from the

■ age of fifty years

they shall cease waiting upon the service thereof, and

shall serve no more:

with their brethren in the tabernacle of the congregation.

■ to keep the charge, ■ and shall do no service.

Thus shalt thou do unto the Levites touching their charge.

CHAPTER 9

 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses in the wilderness of Sinai, in the first month of the second year after they were come out of the land of Egypt,

saying,

2. Let the children of Israelalso keep the passover

at his appointed season.

3. In the fourteenth day of this month, at even, ye shall keep it in his appointed season:

■ according to all

the rites of it,

and according to all the ceremonies thereof,

shall ye keep it.

 And Moses spake unto the children of Israel, that they should keep the passover.

5. And they kept the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month at even in the wilderness of Sinai:

according to all that theLORD commanded Moses,

so did the children of Israel.

I 6. And there were

certain men, who were defiled by the dead

body of a man, that they could not keep the

Dassover on that day:

and they came before Moses a

before Moses and before

Aaron on that day:

7. And those men

said unto him,

We are defiled by the dead body of a man:

wherefore are we kept back, that

we may not offer an offering of the LORD in his appointed season among the children of Israel?

8. And Moses said unto them,

Stand still, and I will hear what the LORD will

command concerning you.

9. And the LORD

spake unto Moses,

10. Speak unto the children of Israel, saying.

■ If any man of you or of your posterity shall

be unclean by reason of a dead body, or be in

a dead body, or be in a journey afar off, yet

he shall keep the passover unto the LORD.

11. The fourteenth day of the second month at even they
 shall keep it, and eat it with

unleavened bread and bitter herbs.

12. They shall leave none of it unto

12. They shall leave none of it unto the morning, nor break any bone of it:

according to all the ordinances of the

passover they shall keep it.

13. But the man that is
clean, and is not in a
journey, and forbeareth

to keep the passover,

even the same soul

shall be cut off from among

his people: because he brought not the offering of the LORD in his appointed season, that man shall bear his sin.

14. And if a stranger shall sojourn among you, and will

keep the passover unto the LORD:

according to the

ordinance of the passover.

and according to the

manner thereof, so shall

he do: ye shall have one ordinance, both for the stranger, and for him that was born in the land.

15. And on the day that the

tabernacle was reared up the cloud covered

the tabernacle, namely, the tent of the testimony:

and at even there was upon the tabernacle as it were

the appearance of fire, until the morning.

16. So it was alway: the cloud covered it by day, and the appearance of fire by night.

17. And when the cloud was taken up from the tabernacle, then after that

the children of Israel iourneved: and in

the place where the cloud abode. there the children of

Israel pitched their tents. 18. At the commandment of the

LORD the children of Israel journeyed, and at the commandment of the LORD they pitched: as long as the cloud abode upon the tabernacle they rested in their tents.

19. And when the cloud tarried long upon the tabernacle many days, then the children of Israel kept the charge of the LORD, and journeyed not.

20. And so it was, when the cloud was a few days upon the tabernacle; according to the commandment of the LORD they abode in their lents, and according to the commandment of the LORD they journeyed.

21. And so it was, when the cloud abode from even unto the morning, and that the cloud was taken up in the morning, then they journeyed:

whether it was

by day or by night that

the cloud was taken up, they journeyed. 22. Or whether it were two days, or a month, or a year, that the cloud tarried upon the tabernacle, remaining thereon. the children of Israel abode in their tents, and

journeyed not: but when it was taken up, they journeyed. 23. At the commandment of the LORD they rested in the tents, and at the commandment of the LORD they journeyed: they kept the charge of the LORD, at the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses.

CHAPTER 10

 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saving.

2 Make thee

two trumpets of silver; of a whole piece shalt thou

make them: that thou mayest use them for the calling

of the assembly, and for the journeying of the camps.

3. And when they shall blow with

them, all the assembly

shall assemble themselves to thee

at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

4. And if they blow but with one *trumpet*, then the

8 Drinces, which are heads of the thousands of Israel.

shall aather themselves

unto thee.

When ye blow an alarm,

then the camps that lie on the east parts

shall go forward.

6. When ye blow an alarm

the second time.

then the camps that lie

on the south side shall take their journey: they shall

blow an alarm for their journeys.

But when the

congregation is to be

aathered together. ve shall blow, but ve shall not sound an alarm. 8. And the sons of Aaron. ■ the priests, shall blow with the trumpets: and they shall be to you for an ordinance for ever throughout your generations. 9. And if ye go to war in your land against the enemy that oppresseth you, then ve shall blow an **alarm** with the trumpets: ■ | and ye shall be ■ remembered before ■ I the LORD your God. and ve shall be saved from vour enemies. 10. Also in the day of your gladness, and in your solemn days, and in the beginnings of your months, ye shall blow with the trumpets over your burnt offerings, and over the sacrifices of your peace offerings; that they may be to you for a memorial before your God: I am the LORD your God. 11. And it came to pass on the twentieth day of the second month, in the second year, that او the cloud was taken up from off the tabernacle of the testimony. 12. And the children of Israel took their journeys out of the wilderness of Singi: and the cloud rested in the wilderness of Paran. 13. And they first took their journey according to the commandment of the LORD by the hand of Moses. 14. In the first place went the standard of the camp of the children of Judah according to their armies: and over his host was Nahshon the son of Amminadab.

15. And over the host of the tribe of the children. of Issachar was Nethaneel the son of Zuar. 16. And over the host of • 1 the tribe of the children. of Zebulun was Eliab the son of Helon. 17. And the tabernacle was taken down; and the sons of Gershon and the sons of Merari set forward, bearing the tabernacle. 18. And the standard of the camp of Reuben set forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elizur the son of Shedeur. 19. And over the host of the tribe of the children. of Simeon was Shelumiel the son of Zurishaddai. 20 And over the host of the tribe of the children of Gad was Eliasaph the son of Deuel. 21. And the Kohathites set forward, bearing the sanctuary: and the other did set up the tabernacle against they came. 22. And the standard of the camp of the children of Ephraim set forward according to their armies: and over his host was Elishama the son of Ammihud. 23. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Manasseh was Gamaliel the son of Pedahzur. 24. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Benjamin was Abidan the son of Gideoni. 25. And the standard of the camp of the children of Dan set forward, which was the rereward of all the camps throughout their hosts: and over his host was Ahiezer the son of Ammishaddai. 26. **And** over the host of the tribe of the children

221 of Asher was Pagiel the son of Ocran. 27. And over the host of the tribe of the children of Naphtali was Ahira the son of Enan. 28. Thus were the iournevings of the children Israel. of Israel according to their armies, when they set forward. 29. And Moses said unto Hobab, the son of Raquel the Midianite. Moses' father in law. We are journeying unto the place of which the LORD said. I will give if you: come thou with us, and we will do thee good; for the LORD hath spoken good concerning Israel. 30. And he said unto him. I will not go; but I will depart to mine own land, and to my kindred. 31 And he said, Leave us not, I pray thee; forasmuch as thou knowest how we are to encamp in the wilderness. and thou mayest be to us instead of eves. 32. And it shall be, if thou go with us, yea, it shall be, that what goodness the LORD shall do

unto us, the same will we do unto thee. 33. And they departed

from the mount of the LORD three days' journey:

and the ark of the covenant of the LORD went before them in

the three days' journey.

to search out a resting place for them.

34. And the cloud of the LORD was upon them by day, when

they went out of the camp. 35. And it came to pass.

when the ark

■ set forward, that

Moses said, Rise up, LORD, and let thine enemies be scattered: and let them that hate thee flee before thee. 36. And when it rested. he said, Return, O LORD. unto the many thousands of

CHAPTER 11 1. And when the people complained. it displeased the LORD: and the LORD heard it: and his anger was kindled: and the fire of the LORD burnt among them, and consumed them that were in the uttermost parts of the camp. And the people cried unto Moses; and when Moses prayed unto the LORD. the fire was auenched. 3. And he called the name of the place Taberah; because the fire of the LORD burnt among them. 4. And the mixed multitude that was among them fell alusting: and the children of Israel also wept again, and said. Who shall give us flesh to eat? We remember the fish. which we did eat in Eavot freely: the cucumbers, and the melons, and the leeks, and the onions, and the garlick: 6. But now our soul is dried away: there is nothing at all, beside this manna, before our eves. 7. And the manna was as coriander seed, and the colour thereof as the colour of bdellium. 8. And the

people went about, and

gathered it, and ground

if in mills, or beat if in a mortar,

- and baked it in pans. and made cakes of it:
- and the taste of it WQS as the taste
 - of fresh oil. 9 And when the dew fell
 - upon the camp in the night. the manna fell upon it.
- 10. Then Moses heard the people weep throughout their families, every man in the door of his tent:
- and the anger of the ■ LORD was kindled greatly; Moses also was displeased.
- 11. And Moses said unto the LORD.

Wherefore hast thou afflicted thy servant? and wherefore

- have I not found favour in thy sight, that thou layest the burden of all this people upon me?
 - 12. Have I conceived all this people? have I begotten them, that thou shouldest say unto me, Carry them in thy bosom, as a nursing father beareth the sucking child, unto the land which thou swarest unto their fathers?
- 13. Whence should I have flesh to give unto all this people? for they weep unto me, saying, Give us flesh, that we may eat. 14. I am not able to bear all this people alone.

because it is too heavy for me. 15. And if thou deal thus with me, kill me, I pray thee, out of hand, if I have found favour in thy sight; and let me not see my wretchedness.

- 16. And the LORD said ■ unto Moses. Gather unto me seventy men of the elders of Israel, whom thou knowest to be the elders of the people, and officers over them:
- and bring them unto the tabernacle of the congregation. ■ that they may stand there

with thee.

- 17. And I will come down and talk with thee there; and I will
- take of the spirit which is upon thee, and will
- put it upon them; and they shall bear the burden
 - of the people with thee. that thou bear it not thyself alone.
 - 18. And say thou
- 1 unto the people, Sanctify vourselves against to
- morrow, and ve shall eat flesh: for ye have wept in the ears of the LORD, saving, Who shall give us flesh to eat? for it was well with us in Egypt; therefore
- the LORD will give you flesh, and ye shall eat.
 - 19. Ye shall not eat one day. nor two days, nor five days, neither ten days, nor twenty days: 20. But even
- a whole month, until it come out at your nostrils, and
 - it be loathsome unto
- you: because that ye have despised the

- LORD which is among you, and have wept before him,
- saying, Why came we forth out of Egypt?
- 21. And Moses said, The
- people, among whom I am, are six hundred thousand

footmen: and thou hast said. I will give them flesh, that they may eat a whole month.

- 22 Shall the flocks and the
- herds be slain for them. to suffice them?
- or shall all the
- fish of the sea
- be gathered together
- for them, to suffice them? 23. And the LORD
- said unto Moses.
- Is the LORD'S hand waxed short?
 - thou shalt see now whether my word shall come to pass unto thee or not.
- 24. And Moses went out, and told the people

the words of the LORD, and gathered the seventy men of the elders of the people, and set them round about

the tabernacle.

■ 25. And the LORD came

down in a cloud,

and spake unto him.

spirit that was upon him,

and gave it unto the

seventy elders: and it came to pass, that.

when the spirit rested upon them, they

prophesied, and did not cease.

■ 26. **But** there remained

■ two *of the* men

in the camp, the name of the one was **Eldad**, and the name of the other

Medad: and the spirit rested upon them; and they *were* of them that were written, but

went not out

unto the tabernacle: and they prophesied in the camp.

27. **And** there ran

a young man, and

said, Eldad and Medad
do prophesy in the camp.

28. And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of Moses, *one* of his young men, answered and said. My lord Moses, forbid them.

29. And Moses said unto him,
Enviest thou for my

sake? would God that all the LORD'S people

Were prophets, and that the LORD would put his spirit upon them!

30. And Moses gat him into the camp, he and the elders of Israel.

31. **And** there went forth

a wind from the LORD, and brought quails from the

sea, and let *them* fall by the camp, as it were a day's

journey on this side, and as it were a day's journey on

the other side, round about the camp, and as it were

■ two cubits high

upon the face of the earth.

32. And the people stood up all that day, and all

up all that day, and a that night, and all

the next day, and they agthered the augils: h

gathered the quails: he that gathered least gathered ten homers: and they spread them all abroad for themselves round about the camp.

■ 33. And while the flesh was yet between their

teeth, ere it was chewed,

the wrath of the LORD waskindled against the

people, and the LORD
 smote the people with a very great

■ plague.

34. And he called the name of that place Kibrothhattaavah: because there

they buried the

people that lusted.

35. And the people journeyed from Kibrothhattaavah unto Hazeroth; and abode at Hazeroth.

CHAPTER 12

1. And Miriam and Aaron spake against Moses

because of the Ethiopian woman whom he had married; for

he had married an Ethiopian woman.

2. And they said, Hath the LORD indeed spoken only by Moses? hath he not spoken also by us?

■ And the LORD heard it.

■ 3. (Now the man

Moses was very meek, above all the men which were upon the face of the earth.)

4. And the LORD spake suddenly

■ unto Moses, and unto

Aaron, and unto

Miriam, Come out ye three unto the tabernacle

of the congregation. And

they three came out.

■ 5. And the LORD came down

in the pillar of

■ the cloud, and stood

NUMBERS 13 in the door of the tabernacle and called Aaron and Miriam: and they both came forth. 6. And he said. Hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the LORD will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream. 7. My servant Moses is not SO, who is faithful in all mine house. 8. With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches; and the similitude of the LORD shall be behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid to speak ■ against my servant Moses? 9. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against them; and he departed. 10. And the cloud **departed** from off the tabernacle; and, behold, Miriam became leprous, white as snow: and Aaron looked upon Minam, and. behold, she was leprous. 11. And Agron said unto Moses, Alas, my lord, I beseech thee, say not the sin upon us, wherein we have done foolishly, and wherein we have sinned. 12. Let her not be as one dead, of whom the flesh is half consumed when he cometh out of his mother's womb. 13. And Moses cried unto the LORD, saving. Heal her now, O God. I beseech thee. 14. And the LORD said unto Moses. If her father had but spit in her face, should she

not be ashamed seven days?

let her be shut out from the

camp seven days, and after

that let her be received in again.

15. And Miriam was shut out

from the camp seven days:

and the people journeyed not till Miriam was brought in again. 16. And afterward the people removed from Hazeroth, and pitched in ■ the wilderness of Paran CHAPTER 13 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, savina. 2. Send thou men, that they may search the land of Canaan, which I give unto the children of Israel: of every tribe of their fathers shall ve send a man. every one a ruler among them. 3. And Moses by the commandment of the LORD sent them from the wilderness of Paranall those men were heads. of the children of Israel 4 And these were their names: of the tribe of Reuben. Shammua the son of Zaccur. Of the tribe of Simeon. **Shaphat** the son of Hori. Of the tribe of Judah. Caleb the son of Jephunneh. Of the tribe of Issachar. **igal** the son of Joseph. Of the tribe of Ephraim. Oshea the son of Nun. Of the tribe of Benjamin. Palti the son of Raphu. 10. Of the tribe of Zebulun. Gaddiel the son of Sodi. 11. Of the tribe of Joseph. namely, of the tribe of Manasseh, Gaddi the son of Susi. 12. Of the tribe of Dan. Ammiel the son of Gemalli. Of the tribe of Asher. Sethur the son of Michael. 14. Of the tribe of Naphtali, Nahbi the son of Vophsi. 15. Of the tribe of Gad. Geuel the son of Machi. 16. These are the names of the men

which Moses sent to spy out

the land. And Moses called Oshea. the son of Nun Jehoshua. 17. And Moses sent them to spy out the land of Canaan, and said unto them. Get you up this way southward, and

GO up

into the mountain:

18 And see the land, what it is. and the people

that dwelleth therein.

whether they be strong

or weak, few or many:

19. And what the land is that they dwell in.

whether it be

good or bad; and what cities they be that they dwell in, whether in tents, or in strong holds;

20. And what the land is, whether it be fat or lean.

whether there be wood therein, or not. And be ye of good courage,

and bring of the fruit of the land. Now the time was the time of the firstripe grapes.

21. So they went up, and searched the land from the wilderness of Zin unto

Rehob, as men come to Hamath. 22. And they ascended by the south, and came unto Hebron: where Ahiman, Sheshai, and Talmai, the children of Anak. were. (Now Hebron was built seven vears before Zoan in Equot.)

23. And they came unto the brook of Eshcol, and cut down from thence a branch with

one cluster of

grapes, and they

bare if between two upon a staff; and

they brought of the pomegranates, and of the figs.

24. The place was called the brook Eshcol, because of the cluster of grapes which the children of Israel cut down from thence.

25. And they returned from searching of the land

after forty days.

26. And they went and

came to Moses, and to Aaron.

and to all the congregation of the children of Israel, unto

the wilderness of Paran, to Kadesh:

and brought back

word unto them.

and unto all the congregation,

and shewed them the fruit of the land

27. And they told him,

and said. We came unto the land whither thou sentest us.

and surely

it floweth with milk and

honey; and this is the fruit of it.

28. Nevertheless the people be strong that dwell in the land,

and the cities are walled.

and very great; and moreover we saw the children of Anak there.

29 The Amalekites dwell in the land of the south; and the Hittites, and the Jebusites, and the Amorites, dwell in the mountains: and the Canaanites dwell by

the sea, and by the coast of Jordan.

30. And Caleb

stilled the people before Moses, and

said. Let us go up at once, and possess it:

for we are well able to overcome it. 31. But the men that

went up with him said. We be not able to go up against

the people; for they

are stronger than we. 32. And they brought up

an evil report of the land which they had searched unto the children of Israel, saying, The land, through which we have gone to search it, is a land that eateth up the inhabitants

> thereof; and all the people that we saw in it are men of a great stature. 33. And there we saw the

giants, the sons of Anak. which come of the giants:

and we were in our own sight as grasshoppers.

and so we were

in their sight.

CHAPTER 14

1. And all the congregation

lifted up their voice, and cried; and the people

wept that night.

2. And all the children of

Israel murmured against

Moses and against Aaron: and the whole congregation

said unto them.

Would God that we

had died in the land of

Equat! or would God we had died in this wilderness!

3 And wherefore

hath the LORD brought us unto this land, to fall by the

sword, that our wives and our children should be a prey? were it not better for us to return into Egypt?

4. And they said one to another. Let us make a captain, and let us return into Egypt. 5. Then Moses and Aaron

fell on their faces before all the assembly of the

congregation of the children of Israel. 6. And Joshua the son of Nun.

and Caleb the son of Jephunneh, which were of them that searched the land.

rent their clothes:

7. And they spake unto all the company of the children of Israel, saying, The land, which we passed through to search it,

is an exceeding good land.

8. If the LORD

delight in us, then

he will bring us into this

land, and give it us; a land which floweth with milk and honey.

9. Only rebel not ve

against the LORD, neither fear ve the people of the land; for they are bread for us: their defence is departed from them, and the LORD is with us: fear them not.

■ 10. But all the

■ congregation bade

stone them with stones.

And the glory of the ■ LORD appeared in the

tabernacle of the congregation before all the children of Israel

11 And the LORD

said unto Moses.

How long will this people provoke me?

and how long will it be ere they believe me, for all the signs which I have shewed among them?

12 I will smite

them with the pestilence.

and disinherit them, and will make of thee a greater

nation and mightier than they.

13 And Moses

said unto the LORD.

Then the Egyptians shall

this land: for they have heard

hear if, (for thou broughtest up this people in thy might from among them;)

14. And they will tell it to the inhabitants of

that thou LORD art among this people, that thou LORD art seen face to face, and that thy cloud standeth over them, and that thou goest before them, by day time in a pillar of a

15. Now if thou shalt kill all this people as one man, then the nations which have heard the fame of thee will speak, saving.

cloud, and in a pillar of fire by night.

16. Because

the LORD was not able to bring this people into the land which he sware

unto them, therefore

he hath slain them in the wilderness.

> 17. And now, I beseech thee, let the power of my LORD be great, according as thou hast spoken, saving.

18. The LORD is

longsuffering, and of great

mercy, forgiving iniquity and transgression, and by no means clearing the guilty, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation.

19. Pardon, I beseech thee,

the iniquity of this

people according

unto the greatness of thy mercy, and as thou hast forgiven this people, from Eavat even until now. 20. And the LORD

said. I have pardoned according to thy word:

21. **But** as

truly as I live, all

the earth shall be filled with the glory of the LORD.

22. Because all those men which have seen my glory.

and my miracles, which I did in Egypt and in the wilderness.

and have tempted me now these ten times.

and have not hearkened to my voice: 23. Surely they

shall not see the land which I sware unto

their fathers, neither shall any of them that provoked me see it: 24. But my servant Caleb.

because he had another spirit with him, and

hath followed me fully. him will I bring into the

land whereinto he went; and his seed shall possess it. 25. (Now the Amalekites and the Canaanites dwelt in the valley.) Tomorrow turn you, and

get you

into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea.

26. And the LORD spake unto Moses

and unto Aaron,

saying,

27. How long shall I bear with this evil

congregation, which murmur against me? I have heard the murmurings of the children of Israel. which they murmur against me.

28. Say unto them. As truly as I live, saith the

LORD, as ye have spoken in mine ears, so will I do to you:

29. Your carcases shall fall in this wilderness; and all that were numbered of you, according to your whole number, from

twenty years old and upward which have murmured against me.

30. Doubtless ye

shall not come into

the land, concerning which I sware to make you dwell therein.

save Caleb

the son of Jephunneh.

and Joshua the son of Nun. 31. But your little ones,

which ye said should

be a prey, them will I bring in, and they shall know the land which ve have despised.

32. But as for you.

your carcases, they

shall fall in this wilderness. 33. And your children shall

wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your

whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness.

34. After the number of the days in which

ye searched the land, even forty days, each day

> for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise. 35. I the LORD have said, I will surely do it unto all this evil congregation. that are gathered together against me: in this wilderness they shall be

consumed, and there they shall die. And the men, which

Moses sent to search the land, who returned, and made all

the congregation

to murmur against him, by bringing up a slander upon the land, 37. Even those men that did bring up the evil report upon the land.

died by the plaque before the LORD.

38. But Joshua the son of Nun, and Caleb the son of

Jephunneh, which were of the men that went to search the land,

lived still

39. And Moses told these sayings

unto all the children of Israel: and the people mourned greatly. ■ 40. And they rose up early in the morning, and gat them up into the top of the mountain, saying, Lo. We be here, and ■ | will ao up unto the place which the ■ LORD hath promised: for we have sinned. 41. And Moses said. Wherefore now do ye transgress the commandment of the LORD?

but it shall not prosper. 42. Go not up, for the LORD is not among you; that ye be not smitten before your enemies. 43. For the Amalekites and the Canaanites are there before you.

and ve shall fall by ■ I the sword: because ve are turned away from the LORD, therefore

the LORD will not be with you. 44. But they presumed to go up unto the hill top:

nevertheless the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

and Moses, departed not out of the camp.

45 Then the

Amalekites came down. and the Canaanites which dwelt in that hill, and

smote them, and

discomfited them.

■ | even unto Horman.

CHAPTER 15

 And the LORD spake unto Moses.

saying,

> 2. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

When ye be

come into the land of your habitations, which I give unto you,

3. And will make an offering by fire unto the LORD,

a burnt offering, or a sacrifice in performing

a vow, or in a

freewill offering.

or in your solemn feasts, to make a sweet savour

unto the LORD.

of the herd or of the flock:

4 Then shall be that offereth. his offering unto the LORD

brina a meat

offering of a tenth deal of flour minaled with the fourth part of an hin of

oil.

5. And the fourth part of an hin of

wine for a drink offering shalt thou prepare

with the burnt offering or sacrifice, for one lamb.

> 6. Or for a ram, thou shalt prepare for a meat offering two tenth deals of flour mingled with the third part of an hin of oil.

7. And for a drink offering thou shalt offer the third part of an hin of wine, for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

8. And when thou preparest a bullock for a burnt offering, or for a sacrifice in performing a yow, or peace offerings unto the LORD:

9. Then shall he bring with a bullock a meat offering of three tenth deals of flour mingled with half an hin of oil.

10. And thou shalt bring for a drink offering half an hin of wine, for an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

11. Thus shall it be done for one bullock, or for one ram, or for a lamb, or a kid.

> 12. According to the number that ye shall prepare, so shall ye do to every one according to their number.

13. All that are

born of the country shall do these things

after this manner, in offering an offering made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.

14. **And** if

a stranger sojourn with you, or whosoever be among you in your generations, and

will offer an offering

made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD; as ye do,

so he shall do.

15. One ordinance shall be both for you of the congregation, and also for the stranger that sojourneth with you, an ordinance for ever in your generations: as ye are, so shall the stranger be before the LORD.

16. One law and
one manner shall
be for you, and for
the stranger that
sojourneth with you.

17. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

18. Speak unto the children of
 Israel, and say unto them.
 When ye come into the

I and whither I bring you,

when ye eat of the bread

of the land, ye shall offer up an heave offering unto the LORD.

20. Ye shall offer up a cake of the first of your dough for an heave offering: as

ye do the heave offering of the threshingfloor, so shall ye heave it. 21. Of the first of your dough ye shall give unto the LORD an heave offering in your generations.

22. And if ye have erred,
 and not observed all
 these commandments, which

the LORD hath spoken unto Moses, 23. Even all that the LORD hath commanded you by the hand of Moses, from the day that the LORD commanded Moses, and henceforward among your generations:

among your generations: 24. Then it shall be.

if aught be committed
 by ignorance without
 the knowledge of the
 congregation, that all

the congregation shall
 offer one young bullock
 for a burnt offering.

for a sweet savour unto the LORD, with his meat offering,

■ and his drink offering,

according to the manner,

and one kid of thegoats for a sin offering.

25. And the priest shall make an atonement for all the congregation of the children of Israel, and it shall be forgiven them; for it is ignorance: and they shall bring their offering, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD, and their sin offering before the LORD, for their ignorance:

26. And it shall be forgiven
 all the congregation
 of the children of Israel, and the

stranger that sojourneth among them;

■ seeing all

the people were in ignorance.

27. And if any soul

ignorance, then he shall

bring a she goat of the first year for a sin offering.

28. And the priest shall make an atonement

for the soul that sinneth ignorantly, when he sinneth by ignorance **before the LORD**.

to make an atonement for him:

and it shall be forgiven him.

29. Ye shall have one law for him that sinneth through ignorance, both for him that is born among the children of Israel, and for the stranger that sojourneth among them.

30. But the soul that doeth
 aught presumptuously,
 whether he be born in the land, or

a stranger, the same reproacheth the LORD; and that soul

shall be cut off from among his people.

31. Because he hath despised the word of

the LORD, and hath broken his commandment, that soul shall utterly be cut off; his iniquity shall be upon him. 32. And while

32. And while the children of Israel were

in the wilderness, they
lound a man that

gathered sticks upon the sabbath day.

■ 33. And they

that found him gathering sticks

brought him unto Moses and Aaron, and unto all the congregation. 34. And they put him in ward,

because it was not

declared what should be done to him.

35. And the LORD said unto Moses.

The man shall be surely put to death:

all the congregation shall stone him with stones without the camp.

36. **And** all

the congregation

brought him without the camp, and stoned him with stones, and he died; as

the LORD commanded Moses.

■ 37. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

38. Speak unto the children of Israel, and bid them that they

make them
fringes in t

fringes in the borders of their garments

throughout their generations,

and that theyput upon the

fringe of the borders

a ribband of blue:

39. **And** it shall be unto you for a fringe, that ye may

look upon it, and remember all the

commandments

of the LORD, and do them; and that ye

seek not after your

own heart and your own

■ eyes, after

which ye use to go a-whoring:

 That ye may remember, and do all my commandments, and be holy unto your God.
 I am the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt, to be your

God: I am the LORD your God.

CHAPTER 16

1. Now Korah, the son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, and Dathan and

■ Abiram, the sons of Eliab,

and On, the son of Peleth, sons of Reuben,

took men:

2. And they rose up before Moses, with certain of the children of Israel,

two hundred and fifty princes of the assembly.

famous in the congregation,

men of renown:

3. And they gathered themselves together

against Moses and againstAaron, and said unto them,

Ye take too much upon you, seeing all the

congregation are holy, every one of them,

and the LORD is among

them: wherefore then lift ye up yourselves above the congregation of the LORD?

■ 4. And when

■ Moses heard it, he
■ fell upon his face:

■ 5. And he spake unto

■ Korch and unto all his company,

saying, Even

to-morrow the LORD will shew who *are* his, and *who* is holy; and will cause

him to come near unto him: even

■ *him* whom he hath

chosen will he cause to come near unto him.

6. This do; Take you censers.

Korah, and all his company;

■ 7. And put fire therein,

and put incense in them

before the LORD to-morrow: and it

shall be that the man

■ whom the LORD

doth choose, he

shall be holy: ye take too much upon you, ye sons of Levi.

8 And Moses said unto

Korah, Hear, I pray you, ve sons of Levi:

9 Seemeth it but

a small thing unto you.

that the

God of Israel

hath separated you from the congregation of Israel,

to bring you near to himself

to do the service of the

■ tabernacle of the LOBD, and to stand before the congregation to minister unto them?

> 10. And he hath brought thee near to him, and all thy brethren the sons of Levi with thee:

and seek ve the priesthood also?

11. FOI which cause both thou and all thy company

are aathered together

against the LORD: and what is Aaron, that ye

murmur against him? 12 And Moses sent to

call Dathan and Abiram.

the sons of Eliab:

which said. We will not come up:

13. Is it a small thing that thou hast brought

US UD out of a land that floweth with milk and honey

to kill us in the wilderness. except thou make thyself altogether a prince over us?

14. Moreover thou hast

not brought us into a land that floweth with milk and honey, or

given us inheritance of fields and vineyards: wilt

thou put out the eyes of these men?

we will not come up.

15 And Moses was very wroth, and said unto the LORD.

Respect not thou their offering: I have not taken one ass from them. neither have I hurt one of them.

16. And Moses said

unto Korah, Be thou and all thy company before the

LORD, thou, and they, and Aaron,

to-morrow:

17. And take every man his censer, and put incense in them. and bring ve before the LORD every man his censer, two hundred and fifty censers; thou also, and Aaron, each of you his censer.

18. And they took every man his censer, and

put fire in them, and laid incense thereon, and stood in the door of

the tabernacle of the

congregation with Moses and Aaron.

19. And Korah gathered all the congregation against them unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation:

and the glory of the LORD appeared unto

all the congregation.

20. And the LORD spake

unto Moses and unto

Aaron, saying, 21. **Separate**

vourselves from among this congregation.

that I may consume

them in a moment

22. And they fell upon their faces, and said, O God,

the God of the spirits of all flesh. shall one man sin, and

wilt thou be wroth with all the congregation? 23. And the LORD

spake unto Moses.

sayina,

24. Speak unto the congregation, saving,

Get you up from about the tabernacle of Korah,

Dathan, and Abiram. And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram: and the elders of Israel followed him.

26. And he

В spake unto the congregation, saying,

Depart, I pray you.

from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye

be consumed in all their sins

commanded him, so did he.
 12. And the children
 of Israel spake unto
 Moses, saying, Behold, we die, we perish, we all perish.

13. Whosoever cometh any thing

■ near unto

■ the tabernacle of the LORD

shall die: shall we be consumed with dying?

CHAPTER 18

1. And the LORD said unto Aaron, Thou and thy sons and thy father's house with thee
 shall bear the iniquity of the sanctuary: and thou and thy sons with thee

shall bear the iniquity of your priesthood.

2. And thy brethren also of the tribe of Levi, the tribe of thy father,
 bring thou

bring thou with thee, that they

may be joined unto thee, and

minister unto thee: but thou and thy sons with thee

shall minister before

■ the tabernacle of witness.

3. And they shall keepthy charge, and the charge

of all the tabernacle:
only they shall not come

nigh the vessels of the sanctuary and the altar,

that neither they, nor ye also, die.

4. And they shall be joined unto thee, and keep the charge of the tabernacle of the congregation, for all the service of the tabernacle:

and a stranger shall not come night unto you.

come nigh unto you.

5. And ye shall keep

the charge of the

■ sanctuary, and the charge of

the altar: that there be no wrath any

more upon the children of

Israel.

6. And I, behold,

■ I have taken your brethren

■ the Levites from among the

children of Israel: to you they are given as a gift for the LORD,

to do the service of the
 tabernacle of the congregation.

7. Therefore thou and thy sons with thee

shall keep your priest'soffice for everything of

the altar, and within the veil; and ve shall serve:

■ veil; and ye shall serve:
■ I have given your!

I have given your priest's office unto you as a service of

gift: and the stranger
 that cometh nigh shall
 be put to death.

8. And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Behold.

■ I also

■ have given thee the

charge of mine heave offerings of all the

hallowed things of the children of Israel; unto thee have I given them by reason of the

anointing, and to thy sons, by an ordinance for ever.

9. This shall be thine of the most holy things, reserved from the fire:

every oblation of theirs,

every meat offering of theirs, and every

sin offering of theirs,

■ and every

trespass offering of theirs
 which they shall render
 unto me, shall be most holy
 for thee and for thy sons.

■ 10. In the most holy place shalt thou eat it;

every male shall eat

it: it shall be holy unto thee.
11. And this is thine; the heave offering of their gift, with all the wave offerings of the children of Israel: I have given them unto thee, and to thy sons and to thy daughters with thee, by a statute for ever: every one that is clean in thy house shall eat of it.

12. All the best of the

■ Oil, and all the best of

the wine, and of

the wheat, the firstfruits of them

which they shall
offer unto the LORD, them
have I given thee.

13. And whatsoever
is first ripe in the land, which

they shall
 bring unto the LORD, shall
 be thine; every one that is

clean in thine house shall eat of

∣ it.

14. Every thing devoted in Israel shall be thine.

15. Every thing that openeth the matrix in all flesh, which they bring unto the LORD, whether it be of men or beasts, shall be thine: nevertheless the firstborn

of man shalt thou surely redeem.
and the firstling of unclean
beasts shalt thou redeem.

 And those that are to be redeemed from a month old shall thou redeem, according to thine estimation,

for the money of

five shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary, which is twenty gerahs.

which is twenty gerahs.

17. **But the** firstling of a

COW, Of the firstling of a

sheep, or the firstling of a

goat, thou shalt not redeem; they are holy: thou shalt

sprinkle their blood

upon the altar, and shalt
 burn their fat for an offering made by fire.

for a sweet savour unto the LORD.

I unto the LORD.

of them shall be thine, as the wave breast and as the right shoulder are thine.

19. All the heave offerings of the holy things, which the children of Israel offer unto the LORD.

have I given thee, and thy sons and thy

■ daughters

with thee, by a statute for ever:

it is a covenant

of salt for ever
 before the LORD
 unto thee and to
 thy seed with thee.

20. And the LORD spake unto Aaron, Thou shalt

have no inheritance in their land, neither shalt thou have

any part among them: I am thy part and thine inheritance among the children of Israel.

21. And, behold,

I have given the children of Levi all the tenth in Israel for an inheritance, for their service which

they serve, even the service

of the tabernacle of the congregation.

■ 22. **Neither must** the children of

Israel henceforth
 come nigh the tabernacle of the congregation,

■ lest they bear sin, and die.

23. But the Levites shall do the service of the tabernacle of the congregation, and they shall bear their iniquity: *it shall be* a statute for ever throughout your generations, that among the children of Israel they have no inheritance.

24. But the tithes of the children of Israel, which they offer as an heave offering unto the LORD,

■ I have given to the Levites to inherit: therefore I have said unto them.

Among the children of Israel they shall have no inheritance.

25. And the LORD spakeunto Moses, saying,

■ 26. Thus speak unto the Levites, and say unto them.

When ye take
of the children of Israel

the tithes which I have given you from them for your inheritance, then ye shall

offer up an heaveoffering of it for the LORD,

even a tenth part

of the tithe.

27. And this your heave offering ■ shall be reckoned unto ■ VOU. QS though it were

■ I the corn of the threshingfloor,

■ | and as

the fulness of the winepress.

28. Thus ye also shall offer an heave offering unto the LORD

of all

your tithes, which ye receive of the children of Israel;

■ and ve

shall give thereof the LORD's heave offering

■ to Aaron the priest.

29. Out of all your gifts ye shall offer every heave offering of the LORD.

> of all the best thereof, even the hallowed part thereof out of it.

30. Therefore thou shalt say unto them. When ve have heaved the best thereof from it, then it shall be counted unto the Levites as the increase of the threshingfloor, and as the increase of the winepress.

31. And ye shall eat it in every place, ye and your households:

for it is your reward for your service in the tabernacle of the congregation.

■ 32. And ye shall bear

no sin by reason of it.

■ when ye have heaved from it

■ | the best of it: neither shall ■ | ye pollute the holy things of

the children of Israel. ■ lest ye die.

CHAPTER 19

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses and unto Aaron, saving,

2. This is the

■ ordinance of the law

which the LORD hath

commanded, saying,

Speak unto the children of ■ Israel, that they bring thee

a red heifer

without spot, wherein is no

■ blemish, and upon

which never came voke:

3. And ve shall

give her unto Eleazar the priest,

that he may bring her forth

without the camp.

and one shall

slav her before his face:

4. And Eleazar the priest

shall take of

her blood with his finger. and sprinkle of her blood directly

before the tabernacle

of the congregation seven times:

5. And one shall

burn the heifer in his sight;

her skin, and her

flesh, and her

blood, with her

dung, hall he burn: And the priest shall

take cedar wood, and

hyssop, and scarlet,

and cast it into the midst of the burning of the heifer.

7. Then the priest shall wash his

clothes, and he shall

bathe his flesh in water.

and afterward he shall come into the

camp, and the priest

shall be unclean until the even.

8 And he that burneth her shall wash his

clothes in water.

and bathe his flesh in water.

and shall

be unclean until the even.

And a man that is clean shall gather up the ashes

of the heifer, and lay them up

without the camp

in a clean place,

and it shall be kept

for the congregation of the children of Israel for a

water of separation: it

is a purification for sin. 10. And he that gathereth the ashes of the heifer shall wash his clothes,

and be unclean until the even: and it shall be unto the children of Israel, and unto the stranger that sojourneth among them, for a statule for ever.

11. He that toucheth

■ the dead body of any man

shall be unclean seven days.

12. He shall purify himself

with it on the third day, and on the seventh day

he shall be clean: but if he purify not himself the

he purify not himself the third day, then the seventh day

he shall not be clean.

13. Whosoever toucheth the dead body of any man that is dead,

and purifieth not himself.

defileth the tabernacle

of the LORD; and that soul shall be cut off from Israel:

because the water of separation was not

sprinkled upon him, he shall be unclean; his

uncleanness is yet upon him.

14. **This** is the law, when

a man dieth in a tent:

all that come into the tent, and all that is in the tent.

shall be unclean seven days.

15. And every open vessel, which hath no covering bound upon it,

■ is unclean.

16. And whosoever toucheth one that is slain with a sword in the open fields, or

a dead body, or a bone of
a man, or a grave, shall
be unclean seven days.

17. And for an unclean person

■ they shall take of the

■ ashes of the burnt

■ heifer of purification for sin,

and running water

shall be put thereto in a vessel:

18. And a clean person
 shall take hyssop, and
 dip it in the water, and

sprinkle it upon

■ the tent, and upon all the

■ vessels, and upon

the persons that were

■ there, and upon him that

touched a bone, or one slain, or one dead, or a grave:

19. And the clean *person* shall sprinkle upon the unclean

on the third day, and

on the seventh day:

and on the seventh day he

shall purify himself, and wash his clothes,

and bathe himself in water,

and shall be clean at even.

But the man that

20. **But the man that** shall be unclean, and

shall not purify

■ himself, that soul

shall be cut off

from among the congregation,

because he hath defiled
 the sanctuary of the LORD:

the water of separation hath not been sprinkled upon him; he is unclean.

■ 21. And it shall be

■ a perpetual

statute unto them,

that he that sprinkleth the water of separation shall wash his clothes; and he that

toucheth the water of separation shall be

unclean until even.

22. And whatsoever the unclean *person* toucheth shall be unclean; and the soul that toucheth *it* shall be unclean until even.

CHAPTER 20

1. Then came the children of Israel, even

the whole congregation,

into the desert of Zin in the first month: and the people abode
 in Kadesh: and

■ Miriam died there,

and was buried there.

2. And there was no water for the congregation

water for the congregation:
 and they gathered themselves

■ together against

■ Moses and against

Aaron.

 And the people chode with Moses, and spake, saying, Would God NUMBERS 20 that we had died when our brethren died ■ before the LORD! ■ 4. And why have ■ ye brought up ■ the congregation of the LORD into this wilderness, that we and our cattle should die there? 5. And wherefore have ye made us to come up out of Egypt, to bring us in unto this evil place? it is no place of seed, or of figs, or of vines, or of pomegranates; neither is there any water to drink. 6 And Moses and Agron went from the presence of the assembly unto the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. and they ■ fell upon their ■ faces: and the glory of the LORD appeared unto them. 7. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 8. Take the rod, and gather thou the assembly together. thou, and Aaron thy brother, and speak ye unto the rock before their eyes; and it shall give forth his water, and thou shalt bring forth to them water out of the rock: so thou shalt give the congregation and their beasts drink. 9. And Moses took the rod from before the LORD. as he commanded him. 10. And Moses and Aaron gathered the congregation together before the rock, and he said unto them. Hear now, ye rebels; must

> we fetch you water out of this rock?

came out abundantly.

with his rod he smote the

rock twice: and the water

11. And Moses

lifted up his hand, and

and the congregation drank, and their beasts also. 12. And the LORD spake unto Moses and Aaron. Because ye believed me not, to sanctify me in the eves of the children of Israel, therefore ve shall not bring this congregation into the land which I have given them. 13. This is the water of Meribah: because the children of Israel strove with the LORD. and he was sanctified in them. 14 And Moses sent messengers from Kadesh unto the king of Edom, Thus saith thy brother Israel, Thou knowest all the travail that hath befallen us: How our fathers went down into Egypt, and we have dwelt in Egypt a long time; and the Egyptians vexed us, and our fathers: 16. And when we cried unto the LORD, he heard our voice, and sent an angel, and hath brought us forth out of Egypt: and, behold, we are in Kadesh, a city in the uttermost of thy border: 17. **Let us pass,** I pray thee, through thy country: we will not pass through the fields, or through the vineyards, neither will we drink of the water of the wells: we will go by the king's high way, we will not turn to the right hand nor to the left, until we have passed thy borders. And Edom said unto him. Thou shalt not pass by me, lest I come out against thee with the sword. And the children of Israel said unto him. We will go by the high way: and if I and my cattle drink of thy water, then I will pay for it: I will

only, without doing anything else, go through on my feet. 20. And he said. Thou shall not go through.

And Edom came out against him with much

people, and with a strong hand.

21. Thus Edom

refused to give Israel passage through his border: wherefore Israel

turned away from him.

22. And the children of Israel, even the whole congregation,

iourneved from Kadesh, and came

unto mount Hor.

23. And the LORD

spake unto Moses and Aaron in mount Hor.

by the coast of the land of Edom.

saying,

24. Agron shall be gathered unto his people: for he

shall not enter into the

land which I have given unto the children of Israel.

■ because ye rebelled ■ against my word at the

water of Meribah. 25. Take Aaron and Eleazar

his son, and bring them up

unto mount Hor: 26. And strip Agron of his garments, and put them

upon Eleazar his son: and Aaron shall be gathered unto

his people, and shall die there. 27. And Moses did as the

LORD commanded: and they went up into mount Hor in the sight of all the congregation.

28. And Moses

■ stripped Aaron of his garments, and put them

upon Eleazar his son:

and Aaron died

there in the top of the

mount: and Moses and Eleazar came down from the mount.

29. And when all

the congregation saw that Aaron was dead, they

mourned for Aaron thirty days, even all the house of Israel.

CHAPTER 21

 And when king Arad the Canaanite. which dwelt in the south.

heard tell

that Israel came by the way of the spies; then

he fought against Israel.

and took some of them prisoners.

2. And Israel vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said. If thou wilt indeed

deliver this people into my hand, then I will utterly destroy their cities.

3 And the LORD

hearkened to the voice of Israel.

and delivered up

the Canaanites: and they utterly

destroyed them and their cities:

and he called the name of the place Horman.

And they

journeyed from mount Hor

by the way of

the Red sea, to compass

the land of Edom:

and the soul of

the people was much discouraged because

of the way.

And the people

spake against God, and against

Moses, Wherefore have

ye brought us up out of Egypt to die

in the wilderness? for

there is no bread.

neither is there any

water; and our soul loatheth this light bread.

And the LORD sent fierv serpents among the people.

and they bit the

people: and much

people of Israel died.

- 7. Therefore the people came to Moses, and said. We have sinned. for we have spoken against the LORD, and against thee;
- pray unto the LORD, that he take away the serpents
- And Moses prayed for the people.
- 8. And the LORD
- said unto Moses. Make thee a fiery serpent,
- and set it upon a pole: **and** it shall come to pass, that
- | every one that is bitten. when he looketh upon
- it. shall live.
- And Moses made a serpent of brass,
- and put it upon a pole.
- **and** it came to pass, that if a serpent had bitten
- any man, when he beheld the serpent of brass, he lived.
- 10. And the children of
- Israel set forward. and pitched in Oboth.
- 11. And they journeyed from Oboth, and pitched at
- lieabarim, in the wilderness which is before Moab.
- toward the sunrising. 12. From thence they removed, and pitched in the valley of

Zared.

- 13. From thence they removed, and pitched on the other side of Arnon. which is in the wilderness that cometh out of the coasts of the Amorites: for Arnon is the border of Moab. between Moab and the Amorites. 14. Wherefore it is said in the book of the wars of the LORD. What he did in the Red sea. and in the brooks of Arnon. 15. And at the stream of the brooks that goeth down to the dwelling of Ar.
- and lieth upon the border of Moab.
- 16. And from thence
- they went to Beer: that is the well whereof the LORD

- spake unto Moses, Gather the people together, and I will give them water.
- 17. Then Israel sana this song, Spring up,
- O well: sing ve unto it:
- 18. The princes digged the well, the nobles of the people digged it.
- by the direction of the
- lawgiver, with their staves. And from the wilderness
- they went to Mattanah:
- 19. And from Mattanah to
- Nahaliel: and from Nahaliel to Bamoth:
- 20. And from Barnoth in the valley, that is
- in the country of Moab, to
- the top of Pisaah, which looketh toward Jeshimon.
- 21 And Israel sent
 - messengers unto Sihon king of the
- Amorites, savina.
- 22. Let me pass through
- thy land: we will not turn into the fields, or into the vinevards; we will not
 - drink of
- the waters of the well:
- but we will go along
- by the king s high way, until we be past thy borders.
 - 23. And Sihon would
 - not suffer Israel to pass through his border:
- **but** Sihon
- aathered all
- his people together, and went out against Israel into the wilderness; and he came to Jahaz,
- and fought against Israel.
- 24. And Israel smote him with the edge of
- the sword, and possessed
- his land from Arnon unto Jabbok, even unto the children of Ammon: for the border of the children of Ammon was strong.
- 25. And Israel took all these cities; and Israel
 - dwelt in all the cities

of the Amorites, in Heshbon. and in all the villages thereof. 26. For Heshbon was the city of Sihon the king of the Amorites, who had fought against the former king of Moab, and taken all his land out of his hand.

even unto Arnon.

27. Wherefore they that speak in proverbs say, Come into Heshbon, let the city of Sihon be built and prepared:

28. For there is a fire gone out of Heshbon, a flame from the city of Sihon: it hath consumed Ar of Moab, and the lords of the high places of Arnon.

29. Woe to thee, Moab! thou art undone. O people of Chemosh; he hath given his sons that escaped, and his daughters, into captivity unto Sihon king of the Amorites.

30. We have shot at them: Heshbon is perished even unto Dibon, and we have laid them waste even unto Nophah, which reacheth unto Medeba.

31. Thus Israel dwelt in the land of the Amorites.

32. And Moses sent to spy out Jaazer, and they took the villages thereof, and

drove out the

Amorites that were there.

33. And they turned and

went up

by the way of

Bashan: and Og the king of Bashan went out against

them, he, and all his people.

to the battle at Edrei.

34. And the LORD

said unto Moses.

Fear him not: for I have delivered him into thy

hand, and all his people, and his land; and thou shalt do to him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites. which dwelt at Heshbon.

35. So they smote him, and his sons, and all his people, until there was none left him alive: and they possessed his land.

CHAPTER 22

1. And the children of

Israel set

forward, and pitched

in the plains of Moab on this side Jordan

by Jericho.

And Balak the son of Zippor. saw all that Israel had

done to the Amorites.

3 And Moah

Was sore

afraid of the people, because they were many: and Moab was distressed because of the children of Israel.

4. And Moab said unto the elders of Midian. Now shall this company lick up all that are round about us, as the ox licketh up the grass of the field. And

Balak the son of Zippor

was king of the

Mogbites at that time.

He sent

messengers therefore

unto Balaam the son of Beor to Pethor, which is by the river of the land of the children. of his people, to call him,

saying, Behold, there is a people come out from Egypt: behold, they cover the face of the earth.

and they abide over against me:

6. Come now therefore, I pray thee,

curse me

this people; for they are too mighty for me: peradventure I shall prevail, that we may smite them.

and that I may

drive them out of

the land: for I wot that he whom thou blessest is blessed, and he

whom thou cursest

is cursed.

And the elders of Moab and the elders of Midian departed with the

rewards of divination in their hand; and they came

unto Balaam, and

spake unto him

the words of Balak. 8 And he said unto them ■ Lodge here this night, and I will bring you word again, ■ as the LORD shall speak unto me: and the princes

> of Moab abode with Balaam. 9. And God came unto Balaam, and said. What men are these with thee? And Balaam said unto God, Balak.

the son of Zippor, king of Moab, hath sent unto me. savina.

11. Behold, there is a people come

out of Egypt, which covereth the face of the earth; come now, curse me them; peradventure I shall be able to overcome them, and drive them out.

12. And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for ■ they are blessed.

> 13 And Balgam rose up in the morning, and

said unto the princes of ■ Balak, Get you into your land: for

■ the LORD refuseth to give 81 me leave to go with you.

■ 14. And the princes of Moab rose up, and they went unto Balak, and

said. Balaam refuseth to come with us.

■ 15. And Balak sent yet again

princes, more, and more honourable

than they.

16. And they came to Balaam, and

said to him. Thus saith Balak the son of Zippor.

Let nothing, I pray thee,

■ I hinder thee from ■ | coming unto me:

17. For I will promote

thee unto very great

honour, and I will do

whatsoever thou savest unto me:

come therefore, I pray thee,

■ | Curse me

this people.

18. And Balaam answered and said unto the servants of Balak.

If Balak would

aive me his house full of silver and gold. I cannot go beyond the word of the

LORD my God, to do less or more.

19. Now therefore, I pray you,

tarry ye also here this night, that I may know what the LORD will

SQY unto me more.

20 And God came unto Balaam at night, and said unto him, if the men come to call thee.

rise up. and ao with them; but yet

the word which I shall SQY unto thee.

that shalt thou do.

21 And Balaam rose

up in the morning, and saddled his ass. and

went with the princes of Moab.

22 And God's anger was kindled because he went:

and the angel of the LORD stood in the way for an

adversary against him. Now he was riding upon his ass, and his two servants were with him.

23. And the ass saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand: and the ass

turned aside out of the way, and went

into the field: and Balaam smote the ass, to turn

her into the way.

24. But the angel of the LORD stood in a path

of the vineyards,

a wall *being* on this side, and a wall on

that side.

25. And when

the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she

thrust herself unto the

wall, and crushed

Balaam's foot against the wall: and he smote her again.

26. And the angel of the LORD

went further, and stood in

a narrow place, where was no way to turn either to the right hand or to the left.

27. **And** when

the ass saw the angel of the LORD, she

fell down under Balgam:

and Balaam's anger

was kindled, and he smote the ass with a staff.

28. And the LORD opened

the mouth of the ass. and she said unto Balaam.

What have I done unto thee, that thou hast smitten

me these three times?

29 And Balgam said unto the ass. Because

thou hast macked me: I would there were a sword in mine hand, for now would I kill thee.

30 And the ass

said unto Balaam,

Am not I thine ass, upon which thou hast ridden ever since I was thine unto this day?

was I ever wont to do so unto thee?

And he said, Nav.

31. Then the LORD opened the eves of Balaam, and

he saw the angel of the LORD standing in the way, and his sword drawn in his hand:

and he bowed down his head, and

fell flat on his face.

32. And the angel of the LORD

said unto him,

Wherefore hast thou smitten thine ass these

three times? behold. I went out to

withstand thee,

because thy way is

perverse before me:

33. And the ass saw me, and turned from me these three times:

unless she had turned from me

surely now also

I had slain thee. and saved her alive.

34. And Balaam said

unto the angel of the LORD.

I have sinned: for I knew not that thou stoodest in

the way against me: now therefore,

if it displease thee, I will get me back again.

35. And the angel of the LORD

said unto Balaam.

Go with the men: but only the word that I shall

speak unto thee, that

thou shalt speak. So Balaam went with the princes of Balak.

36. And when

Balak heard that

Balaam was come, he

went out to meet him unto a city of Moab, which is in the border of Arnon, which is in the utmost coast.

37. **And** Balak

said unto Balaam, Did I not

earnestly send unto thee to call thee?

wherefore camest thou not unto me?

am I not able indeed

to promote thee to honour?

38. And Balaam

said unto Balak, Lo.

I am come unto thee: have I now any power at all to say any thing?

the word that God putteth in my mouth. that shall I speak.

> And Balaam went with Balak. and they came unto Kiriathhuzoth. 40 And Balak offered oxen and sheep, and sent to Balaam, and to the princes that were with him.

41. And it came to pass on the morrow, that

Balak took Balaam, and brought

him up into the

high places of Baal.

that thence

he might see the utmost part of

the people.

CHAPTER 23

And Balgam

said unto Balak.

Build me here

seven altars, and

prepare me here

NUMBERS 23 seven oxen and seven rams. 2. And Balak did as Balaam had spoken; and Balak and Balaam offered on every attar a bullock and a ram. ■ 3. And Balgam said unto Balak ■ Stand by thy burnt offerina. and I will go: peradventure the LORD will come to meet me: and whatsoever he sheweth me I will tell thee. And he went to an high place. And God met Balaam: and he said unto him. I have prepared seven altars, and I have offered upon every altar a bullock and a ram. 5. **And** the LORD put a word in Balaam's mouth, and said, Return unto Balak and thus thou shalt speak. And he returned unto him. and, lo, he stood by his burnt sacrifice, he, and all the princes of Moab. 7. **And** he took up his parable, and said, Balak the king of Moab hath brought me from Aram, out of the mountains of the east. savina. Come, curse me Jacob, and come. defy Israel. 8 How shall I curse. whom God hath not cursed? or how shall I defy. whom the LORD hath not defied? 9. For from the top of the rocks I see him. and from the hills I behold him: lo. the

be reckoned among the nations.

the number of the fourth part

10. Who can count

the dust of Jacob, and

of israel? Let me

die the death of the

righteous, and let

my last end be like his! 11 And Balak said unto Balaam What hast thou done unto me? I took thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold. thou hast blessed them altogether. And he answered and said. Must I not take heed to speak that which the LORD hath put in my mouth? 13. And Balak said unto him. Come, I pray thee, with me unto another place, from whence thou mayest see them; thou shalt see but the utmost part of them, and shalt not see them all: and curse me them from thence 14. And he brought him into the field of Zophim. to the top of Pisgah, and built seven altars, and offered a bullock and a ram on every altar. And he said unto Balak. Stand here by thy burnt offering. while I meet the LORD vonder. 16. And the LORD met Balaam, and out a word in his mouth. and said. Go again unto Balak, and say thus. 17. And when he came to him, behold. he stood by his burnt offering, and the princes of Moab with him. And Balak said unto him. What hath the LORD spoken? 18. And he took up his parable, and said, Rise up. Balak, and hear: hearken unto me. thou son of Zippor: 19. God is not a man, that people shall dwell alone, and shall not

he should lie: neither the

repent: hath he said, and shall

received commandment

he not do it? or hath he spoken.

and shall be not make it good?

20. Behold, I have

son of man, that he should

to bless and he hath blessed: and I cannot reverse it. = | 21. **He hath not** beheld iniquity in Jacob, neither hath he

seen perverseness in

Israel: the LORD his

God is with him, and the shout of a king is among them.

22. God brought them out of Egypt; he hath as it

were the strength of an unicorn. 23. Surely there is no

> enchantment against Jacob, neither is there any divination against Israel; according to this time it shall be said of Jacob and of Israel. What hath God wrought!

24. Behold, the people shall rise up as a great lion, and

lift up himself as a young lion: he shall not lie down until

he eat of the prey, and drink the blood of the slain.

25. And Balak

said unto Balaam.

Neither curse them at all. nor bless them at all

26 But Balaam

answered and said unto Balak, Told not I thee, saving,

All that the LORD speaketh, that

I must do? 27. And Balak said

unto Balaam, Come, I pray thee, I will bring thee unto another place:

peradventure it will please God that thou mayest curse

me them from thence. 28. And Balak brought

Balaam unto the top of Peof, that looketh toward Jeshimon

29. And Balaam said unto Balak.

Build me here

seven altars, and

prepare me here seven bullocks

and seven rams.

30. And Balak did

as Balaam had

I Said, and offered a bullock and a ram on every altar.

CHAPTER 24

 And when

Balaam saw that

it pleased the LORD to bless Israel, he went

not, as at other times.

to seek for

enchantments, but he

set his face

toward the wilderness.

> And Balaam lifted up. his eyes, and he saw

Israel abiding in his tents according to their tribes:

and the spirit of God came upon him.

3. And he took up his parable, and said. Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said:

> 4. He hath said, which heard the words of God, which saw the vision. of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but having his eyes open:

5. How goodly are thy tents, O Jacob,

and the

tabernacies, O israel!

6. As the valleys are they spread forth, as gardens by the river's side, as the trees of ligh aloes which the LORD hath planted, and as cedar trees beside the waters.

7. He shall pour the water out of his buckets, and his seed shall be in many waters, and

his king shall be higher than Agag.

and his kingdom shall be exalted.

8. God brought him forth out of Egypt; he hath as it

were the strength of an unicorn:

he shall eat up the nations his enemies, and

shall break their bones.

and pierce them through with his arrows.

> 9. He couched, he lay down as a lion, and as a great lion: who shall stir him up?

NUMBERS 25 Blessed is he that blesseth thee, and cursed is he that curseth thee. 10. And Balak's anger was kindled against Balaam, and he smote his hands together; and Balak said unto Balaam. I called thee to curse mine enemies, and, behold, thou hast altogether blessed them these three times. 11. Therefore now flee thou to thy place: I thought to promote thee unto great honour; but. lo. the LORD hath kept thee back from honour. 12. And Balaam said unto Balak. Spake I not also to thy messengers which thou sentest unto me. saying, ■ 13. If Balak would give

me his house full of silver and aold. I cannot go beyond the commandment of the LORD, to do either good or bad of mine own mind: but what the LORD saith.

that will I speak? 14. And now, behold, I go unto

my people; come therefore, and I will advertise thee what this people shall do to thy

people in the latter days. 15. And he took up his parable. and said. Balaam the son of Beor hath said, and the man whose eyes are open hath said: 16. He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but having his eyes open: 17. I shall see him, but not now: I shall behold him, but not nigh:

there shall come a Star out

of Jacob, and a Sceptre shall rise out of Israel, and shall smite the corners of Moab, and destroy all the children of Sheth 18 And Edom shall be a possession. Seir also shall be a possession for his enemies: and Israel shall do valiantly. 19. Out of Jacob shall come he that shall have dominion, and shall destroy him that remaineth of the city. 20. And when he looked on Amalek he took up his parable, and said Amalek was the first of the nations: but his latter end shall be that he perish for ever. 21. And he looked on the Kenites, and took up his parable, and said, Strong is thy dwellingplace, and thou puttest thy nest in a rock. 22. Nevertheless the Kenite shall be wasted, until Asshur shall carry thee away captive. 23. And he took up his

parable, and said, Alas, who shall live when

God doeth this! 24. And ships shall

come from the coast of Chittim, and shall afflict

Asshur, and shall afflict

Eber, and he also shall perish for ever.

25. And Balaam rose up, and went and returned to his place: and Balak also went his way.

CHAPTER 25

1. And Israel abode in Shittim, and the people began

to commit whoredom

with the daughters of

Moab.

2. And they called the people unto the sacrifices of their gods: and the people

■ I did eat, and bowed

down to their gods.

3 And Israel

ioined himself unto

Baal-peor: and the anger of the LORD was

kindled against Israel.

4 And the LORD said unto Moses

Take all the heads of the people, and hang them up

before the LORD against the sun,

that the tierce

anger of the LORD may be turned away from Israel.

5. And Moses said unto the judges of Israel.

Slay ye

every one his men that were joined unto Baal-peor.

6. And, behold.

one of the children

of Israel came and

brought unto his brethren a Midianitish woman in

the sight of Moses, and in the sight of all the congregation of the children of Israel, who were weeping

before the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

7. **And** when

Phinehas, the son of

Eleazar, the son of Aaron

the priest, saw it, he rose up from among the congregation, and

took a javelin in his hand:

8 And he

went after the

man of Israel into the tent. and thrust both

of them through.

the man of Israel,

and the

woman through her belly.

So the plague was

staved from the children of Israel.

9. And those that

died in the plague

were twenty and four thousand.

10. And the LORD

spake unto Moses.

saying,

11. Phinehas, the son of

Eleazar, the son of Aaron the priest.

. hath turned my wrath

away from the children of Israel, while he was zealous for my sake among them, that I consumed not the children of Israel in my jealousy.

12. Wherefore say, Behold,

I give unto him my covenant of peace:

13. And he shall have it. and his seed after him. even the covenant of

an everlasting priesthood; because he was zealous for his God, and made an

atonement for the children of Israel.

14 Now the name of

the Israelite that was slain.

even that was slain with the Midianitish woman

was Zimri, the son of Salu.

a prince of a chief house among the Simeonites.

And the name of the

Midianitish

woman that was slain

was Cozbi. the daughter of Zur; he was head over a people.

and of a chief house in Midian.

16. And the LORD spake unto Moses.

saying,

17. Vex the Midianites. and smite them:

18. For they yex you with

their wiles, wherewith

they have bequiled you in the matter of Peor. and

in the matter of

Cozbi, the daughter of a prince of Midian, their sister,

which was slain in the

day of the plague for Peor's sake.

CHAPTER 26

1. And it came to pass

after the plague, that the LORD spake

unto Moses and unto

Eleazar the son of Aaron

the priest, saving,

2 Take the sum of all ■ the congregation of the children of Israel.

from twenty years old

- and upward, throughout their fathers' house, all
- that are able to go to war in Israel.
 - 3. And Moses and Eleazar the priest spake with them in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho, saying,
 - 4. Take the sum of the people, from twenty years old and upward; as the LORD commanded Moses and the children of Israel, which went forth out of the land of Egypt.
 - Reuben, the eldest son of Israel:

the children of

- Reuben: Hanoch, of whom cometh the family of the Hanochites: of Pallu, the family of the Palluites:
 - 6. Of Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Carmi, the family of the Carmites.
 - 7. These are the families of the Reubenites; and they that were **numbered** of them were
- forty and

three thousand and seven hundred and thirty.

- And the sons of Pallu: Eliab.
- 9. And the sons of Eliab; Nemuel, and Dathan, and Abiram. This is that Dathan and Abiram, which were famous in the congregation, who strove against Moses and against Aaron in the company of Korah, when they strove against the LORD:
- 10. And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up together with Korah, when that company died, what timethe fire devoured two hundred and fifty men; and they became a sign.
- 11. Notwithstanding the children of Korah died not.
- 12. The sons of Simeon after their families: of Nemuel, the family of the Nemuelites: of Jamin, the family of the Jaminites: of Jachin, the family of the Jachinites:
- 13. Of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites: of Shaul, the

family of the Shaulites

- 14. These are the families of اس the Simeonites, twenty and
- two thousand and two hundred.
 - The children of Gad after their. families: of Zephon, the family of the Zephonites: of Haggi, the family of the Haggites: of Shuni, the family of the Shunites:
 - 16. Of Ozni, the family of the Oznites: of Eri, the family of the Erites:
 - 17. Of Arod, the family of the Arodites: of Areli, the family of the Arelites.
 - 18. These are the families of the children of Gad according to those that were
 - numbered of them.
- forty thousand and five hundred.
 - 19. The sons of Judah were Er and Onan: and Er and Onan died in the land of Canaan.
 - 20. And the sons of Judah after their families were: of Shelah. the family of the Shelanites: of Pharez, the family of the Pharzites: of Zerah, the family of the Zarhites. 21. And the sons of Pharez were: of
 - Hezron, the family of the Hezronites: of Hamul, the family of the Hamulites. 22. These are
- the families of Judah according to those that were
- numbered of them. threescore and
- sixteen thousand and
- five hundred.
 - 23. Of the sons of Issachar after their families: of Tola, the family of the Tolaites: of Pua, the family of the Punites:
 - 24. Of Jashub, the family of the Jashubites: of Shimron, the family of the Shimronites. 25. These are
- the families of Issachar according to those that were
- numbered of them.
- threescore and
- four thousand and

I three hundred.

26. Of the sons of Zebulun after their lamilies: of Sered, the family of the Sardites: of Elon, the family of the Elonites: of Jahleel, the family of the Jahleelites.

27. These are

the families of the Zebulunites

according to those that were

- **numbered** of them.
- threescore thousand and
- five hundred.
- 28. The sons of
 - Joseph after their families

were Manasseh and Ephraim.

29. Of the sons of Manasseh; of Machir, the family of the Machirites: and Machir begat Gilead: of Gilead come the family of the Gileadites. 30. These are the sons of Gilead: of Jeezer, the family of the Jeezerites: of Helek, the family of the Helekites: 31. And of Asriel, the family of the Asrielites: and of Shechem, the family of the Shechemites: 32. And of Shemida, the family of the Shemidaites; and of Hepher. the family of the Hepherites. 33. And Zelophehad the son of Hepher had no sons, but daughters: and the names of the daughters of Zelophehad were Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.

■ the families of Manasseh, and those that were

numbered of them,

34. These are

- | fifty and
- two thousand and

seven hundred.

35. These are the sons of Ephraim after their families: of Shuthelah, the family of the Shuthalhites: of Becher, the family of the Bachrites: of Tahan, the family of the Tahanites.

36. And these *are* the sons of Shuthelah: of Eran, the family of the Eranites.

37. These are

the families of the sons of

■ | Ephraim according to

those that were

- numbered of them,
- thirty and
- two thousand and
- five hundred. These are the sons of Joseph after their families.

38. The sons of Benjamin after their families: of Bela, the family of the Belaites: of Ashbel, the family of the Ashbelites: of Ahiram, the family of the Ahiramites:

39. Of Shupham, the family of the Shuphamites: of Hupham, the family of the Huphamites.
40. And the sons of Bela were Ard and Naaman: of Ard, the

family of the Ardites: and of Naaman, the family of the Naamites.

41. These are the sons of

- **Benjamin** after their families: and they that were
- numbered of them were
- forty and

five thousand and six hundred.

42. These *are* the sons of Dan after their families: of Shuham, the family of the Shuhamites. These *are*

■ | the families of Dan

after their families.

43. All the families of the Shuhamites, according to those that were

numbered of them, were

■ threescore and

four thousand and

four hundred.

44. Of the children of Asher after their families: of Jimna, the family of the Jimnites: of Jesui, the family of the Jesuites: of Beriah, the family of the Beriites.

45. Of the sons of Beriah: of Heber, the family of the Heberites: of Malchiel, the family of the Malchielites.

46. And the name of the daughter of Asher was Sarah.

47. These *are* the families of the sons of

Asher according to those that were numbered of them; who were

fiffy and

I three thousand and

four hundred.

48. Of the sons of Naphtali after their families: of Jahzeel, the family of the Jahzeelites: of Guni, the family of the Gunites:

49. Of Jezer, the family of the Jezerites: of Shillem, the family of the Shillemites.

50. These are the families of

Naphtali according to their families: and they that were numbered of them were

forty and

five thousand and four hundred.

51 These were the

numbered of the children

of Israel, six hundred thousand and a thousand

seven hundred and thirty.

52. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

> 53. Unto these the land shall be divided for an inheritance according to the number of names.

54. To many thou shalt give the more inheritance, and to few thou shalt give the less inheritance: to every one shall his inheritance be given according to those that were numbered of him.

55. Notwithstanding

■ the land shall be divided by lot: according to the names of the tribes of their

fathers they shall inherit. 56. According to the lot shall the possession thereof be divided between many and few.

57. And these are they that

■ Were numbered of

the Levites after their

families: of

Gershon, the family of the Gershonites: of

■ Kohath, the family of the Kohathites: of

Merari, the family of the Merarites. 58. These are the families of the Levites: the family of the Libnites, the family of the Hebronites, the family of the Mahlites, the family of the Mushites, the family of the Korathites. And Kohath begat Amram.

59 And the name of

Amram's wife was

Jochebed, the daughter

of Levi, whom her mother bare to Levi in Egypt:

and she bare unto Amram Aaron and Moses.

and Miriam their sister.

60. And unto Aaron was born Nadab. and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar,

61. And Nadab and Abihu died. when they offered strange fire before the LOBD.

62 And those that were

numbered of them

were twenty and

three thousand, all males from a month old and upward:

for they were not numbered among the children of Israel, because there was no inheritance given them among the children of Israel.

63. **These** are they that were numbered by

Moses and

Eleazar the priest, who

numbered the children of Israel

in the plains of Moah by Jordan near Jericho.

64. But among these there

was not a man of them whom Moses and Aaron the priest

numbered, when they numbered the children

of Israel in the wilderness

of Singi.

65. For the LORD had

said of them.

They shall surely

die in the wilderness. And there was not

left a man of them.

• save Caleb the

son of Jephunneh,

and Joshua the son of Nun.

CHAPTER 27

I■I 1. Then came the daughters of Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the

families of Manasseh the son of

Joseph: and these are the names of his daughters; Mahlah, Noah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Tirzah. 2. And they stood before

Moses, and before Eleazar the priest, and before the princes and all the congregation.

by the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

saying,

3. Our father died in the

wilderness, and he was

not in the company of them that gathered themselves together against the LORD in the company

of Korah: but died in his own sin. and had no sons.

> 4. Why should the name of our father be done away from among his family, because he hath no son?

Give unto

us therefore

a possession among the brethren of our father.

5. And Moses brought their cause before the LORD.

6. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying.

7. The daughters of

Zelophehad speak

right: thou shalt surely give them a possession of an inheritance among their father's brethren; and

thou shalt cause the inheritance of their father **a** (to pass unto them.

8. And thou shalt

speak unto the children of

Israel, saying, If a man die.

and have no son, then ye

shall cause

his inheritance to

pass unto his daughter.

9. And if he have no

daughter, then ye shall give his inheritance unto his brethren. 10. And if he have no brethren.

then ye shall give his inheritance unto his father's brethren.

11. And if his father have no brethren,

then ye shall give his

inheritance unto his

kinsman that is next to him of his family, and he shall possess it: and it shall be unto the

children of Israel

a statute of iudament, as the LORD commanded Moses.

12. And the LORD said unto Moses. Get thee

up into this

mount Abarim, and see the land which I have given unto the children of Īsrael.

13 And when

thou hast seen it thou also

shalt be gathered unto thy people.

as Aaron thy brother

WQS gathered.

14. For ye rebelled against my commandment

in the desert of Zin, in the

strife of the congregation. to sanctify me at the water

before their eyes: that is the water

of Meriboh in Kadesh in the wilderness of Zin.

15. And Moses spake unto the LORD, saving.

16. Let the LORD, the God of the spirits of all flesh.

set a man over the congregation,

17. Which may go out before them, and which may go in before them, and which may lead them out. and which may bring them in: that the congregation of

the LORD be not as sheep which have no shepherd.

18. And the LORD

said unto Moses.

Take thee

Joshua the son of Nun. a man in whom is the spirit,

and lay thine

hand upon him;

19. And set him

before Eleazar the priest,

and before all

the congregation; and give

him a charge in their sight.

20 And thou shalt

put some of thine honour upon him, that all the

congregation of the children of Israel may be obedient.

21. And he shall stand before

Eleazar the priest, who

shall ask counsel for him after the judgment of Urim

before the LORD: at his word shall they go out,

and at his word they shall

come in, both he, and all the children of Israel with him, even

all the congregation. 22. And Moses did as the

LORD commanded him: and he took Joshua, and set him.

before Eleazar the priest, and before all the congregation: 23. And he laid his hands upon him,

and gave him a charge, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.

CHAPTER 28

- And the LORD spake
- unto Moses, saving.
- 2. Command the children of
- Israel, and say unto them, ■ My offering, and

my bread for my

sacrifices made by fire, for a sweet savour unto me.

shall ve observe

to offer unto me

in their due season.

3. And thou shalt say unto them,

This is the offering made by fire which

ve shall offer unto the LORD: two lambs

of the first year without spot day by day, for a

continual burnt offering.

4. The one lamb shalt thou offer

in the morning, and the

■ other lamb shall thou offer

I at even:

■ 5. And a tenth part of an ephah of flour for a meat offering,

mingled with the fourth

part of an hin of beaten

oil.

6. It is a continual burnt

offering, which was

ordained in mount Singi for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

- 7. And the drink offering thereof shall be the fourth part of an hin for the one lamb: in the holy place shalt thou cause the strong wine to be poured unto the LORD for a drink offering.
- 8. And the other lamb shalt thou offer at even; as the meat offering of the morning, and as the drink offering thereof, thou shalt offer it, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD.
- 9. And on the sabbath day two lambs of the first year without spot, and two tenth deals of flour

for a meat offering. minaled with oil.

and the drink

offering thereof:

10. This is the burnt offering of every sabbath, beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

11. And in the beginnings of your months ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD;

two young bullocks, and one ram, seven lambs of the first year without spot;

12. And three tenth deals of

flour for a meat offering. mingled with oil, for one

bullock; and two tenth deals of flour for a meat offerina.

minaled with oil, for one ram:

13. And a several tenth deal of flour mingled with oil for a meat offering unto one lamb: for a burnt offering of a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

14. And their drink offerings shall be half an hin of wine unto a bullock, and the third part of an hin unto a ram, and a fourth

part of an hin unto a lamb: this is the burnt offering of

every month

throughout the months of

the year.

15. And one kid of the goats for a sin offering unto the LORD shall be offered.

beside the continual burnt

offering, and his drink offering.

16. **And** in

of the first month is the passover of the LORD.

17. **And** in

the fifteenth day of this month

is the feast: seven days

bread be eaten.

18. In the first day shall be an holy convocation:

ye shall do no manner of servile

work therein:

■ 19. **But** ye

shall offer a sacrifice made by fire for a burnt offering

unto the LORD; two young bullocks, and

one ram, and seven lambs

of the first year: they shall be unto you without blemish:

20. And their meat offering shall be of flour mingled

with oil: three tenth deals shall ye offer for a bullock, and two tenth deals for a ram; 21. A several tenth deal shalt thou offer for every lamb, throughout the seven lambs:

22. Ånd one goat for a
sin offering, to make
an atonement for you.
23. Ye shall offer these

23. Ye shall offer thesebeside the burnt offering

in the morning, which is for a continual burnt offering.

24. After this manner ye shall offer daily,

throughout the seven days, the meat of the sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD: it shall be offered beside the continual burnt offering, and his drink offering.

25. And on the seventh day ye shall have an holy convocation; ye shall

do no servile work.

26. Also in the day of the firstfruits, when ye bring a new meat offering unto the LORD,
 after your weeks be out,

ye shall have an holy

convocation;
ye shall do no servile work:
27. But ye shall offer the burnt
offering for a sweet savour unto
the LORD; two young bullocks, one
ram, seven lambs of the first year;
28. And their meat offering of
flour mingled with oil, three tenth
deals unto one bullock, two
tenth deals unto one ram,
29. A several tenth deal unto one
lamb, throughout the seven lambs;
30. And one kid of the goats, to
make an atonement for you.
31. Ye shall offer them beside

31. Ye shall offer them beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, (they shall be unto you without blemish) and their drink offerings.

CHAPTER 29

1. And in the seventh month, on the first day of the month, ye shall have an holy convocation;

ye shall do no servile
work: it is a day of b

work: it is a day of blowing

the trumpets unto you.2. And ye shall offer

a burnt offering for a sweet savour unto the LORD;

one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs
 of the first year without blemish:

3. And their meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals for a bullock. and two tenth

deals for a ram.

4. And one tenth deal for one lamb.

throughout the seven lambs:

5. And one kid of the goats

for a sin offering, to make
an atonement for you:

 Beside the burnt offering of the month, and his meat offering, and the daily burnt offering, and his meat offering, and their drink offerings, according unto their manner, for a sweet savour, a sacrifice made by fire unto the LORD.

7. And ye shall have
 on the tenth day of
 this seventh month

- ye shall afflict your
- souls: ye shall not do any work therein:
 - 8. But ye shall offer a burnt offering unto the LORD

for a sweet savour; one young bullock, one ram, and seven lambs of the first year; they shall be unto you without blemish:

- And their meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals to a bullock, and two tenth deals to one ram,
- 10. A several tenth deal for one lamb, throughout the seven lambs:
- 11. One kid of the goats *for* a sin offering; beside the sin offering of atonement, and the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering of it, and their drink offerings.
- And on the fifteenth day of the seventh month ye shall have an holy convocation;

ye shall do no servile work, and ye shall keep a feast unto the LORD seven days:

- 13. And ye shall offer a burnt offering, a sacrifice made by fire, of a sweet savour unto the LORD;
- a sweet savour unite tie LOAD, thirteen young bullocks, two rams, and fourteen

lambs of the first year; they shall be without blemish:

- 14. And their meat offering shall be of flour mingled with oil, three tenth deals unto every bullock of the thirteen bullocks, two tenth deals to each ram of the two rams.
- 15. And a several tenth deal to each lamb of the fourteen lambs:
- 16. And one kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.
 - 17. And on the second

day ye shall offer

- twelve young bullocks,
 two rams, fourteen lambs
 of the first year without spot;
- 18. And their meat offering
- drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs,
- shall be according to their number, after the manner:
- 19. And one kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside

the continual burnt offering, and the meat offering thereof, and their drink offerings.

- 20. And on the third day eleven bullocks, two
 rams, fourteen lambs
- of the first year without blemish;
 21. And their meat offering
- 21. And their meat offeringand their
- drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:
 22. And one goat for
- Q sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.
- 23. And on the fourth day ten bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of
- the first year without blemish:
- 24. **Their meat** offering and their
- drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:
- 25. And one kid of the goats for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.
- 26. And on the fifth day
 nine bullocks, two rams,
 and fourteen lambs

of the first year without spot:

- 27. And their meat offering and their
 - drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:

- 28. And one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.
- 29. And on the sixth day eight bullocks, two rams,
 - and fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:
- 30. And their meat offering
- and their
- drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:
- 31. And one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.
- 32. And on the seventh day seven bullocks, two rams, and fourteen lambs of the first year without blemish:
- 33. And their meat offering .
- and their

- drink offerings for the bullocks, for the rams, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:
- 34. And one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, his meat offering, and his drink offering.
- 35. On the eighth day ye shall have a solemn assembly:
- ye shall do no servile
- WORK therein:
- 36. But ye shall offer a burnt
- offering, a sacrifice made by fire.
- of a sweet savour unto the LORD: one bullock,
- one ram, seven lambs of the first year without blemish:
- 37. Their meat offering
- and their
- drink offerings for the bullock, for the ram, and for the lambs, shall be according to their number, after the manner:
- 38. And one goat for a sin offering; beside the continual burnt offering, and his meat offering, and his drink offering.

- 39. These things ye shall do unto the
- **LORD** in your set feasts.
- beside your vows, and your freewill offerings.

for your burnt offerings, and for your meat offerings, and for your drink offerings, and for your peace offerings.

- 40 And Moses
- told the children of
 - Israel according to
- all that the LORD commanded Moses.

CHAPTER 30

- 1. And Moses spake unto the heads of the
 - tribes concerning the children of Israel.
- saying, This is the thing which
- the LORD hath
- commanded.
 - If a man vow a yow unto the LORD.
 - or swear an oath to
 - bind his soul with a bond: he shall not break his
- word, he shall do according to all that proceedeth out of his mouth.
- 8 If a woman also yow a vow unto the LORD, and bind
- herself by a bond. being in her father's
- house in her youth:
- 4 And her father hear
- her yow, and her bond wherewith she hath bound her soul.
 - and her lather

- shall hold his peace at her;
- then all her vows shall
- stand, and every bond wherewith she hath bound her soul shall stand.
- But if her father disallow
- her in the day that he heareth: not any of her vows.
 - or of her bonds wherewith she hath bound her soul.
- shall stand: and the
- LORD shall forgive her, because her father disallowed her.
- And if she had at all.
 - an husband, when she

- vowed, or uttered aught out of her lins, wherewith she bound her soul:
- 7. And her husband heard it, and held his peace
- at her in the day that he heard it:
 - then her vows shall stand. and her bonds wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.
- 8 But if her husband disallowed her on the day that he heard it:
- then he shall make her
- VOW which she vowed, and that which she uttered with her lips. wherewith she bound her soul.
- of none effect: and the LORD shall forgive her.
- 9. But every vow of a widow, and of her that
- is divorced, wherewith they have bound their souls.
- shall stand against her. 10. And if she vowed in her
 - husband's house, or bound her soul by a bond with an oath:
 - 11. And her husband heard it. and held his peace at her, and disallowed her not: then all her vows shall stand, and every bond wherewith she bound her soul shall stand.
 - 12. But if her husband hath utterly made them void on the day he heard them: then whatsoever proceeded out of her lips concerning her vows, or concerning the bond of her soul, shall not stand: her husband hath made them void: and the LORD shall forgive her.
- 13. Every vow, and every binding oath
- to afflict the soul, her husband may establish
- it. Or her husband may
- make it void.
- 14. But if her
- husband altogether
- hold his peace at her from day to day; then he establisheth all her yows, or all her bonds. which are upon her:
- he confirmeth them. because he held his peace at

her in the day that he heard them.

- 15. But if he shall any ways
- make them void after that he hath heard them:
- then he shall bear
 - her iniquity.
- 16. These are the statutes. which the LOBD commanded Moses.
- between a man and his
- wife, between the father and his daughter, being
 - yet in her youth
- in her father's house.

CHAPTER 31

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, savina,
- Avenge the children of
- Israel of the Midianites: afterward shalt thou be
- gathered unto thy people.
- 3. And Moses spake unto the people, saying, Arm some of
- vourselves unto the war.
- and let them
- go against the
- Midianites, and
- avenge the LORD of Midian.
- 4. Of every tribe a
- thousand, throughout all the tribes of Israel.
- shall ye send to the war.
 - So there were delivered. out of the thousands of Israel, a thousand of every tribe.
- twelve thousand armed for war.
- 6. And Moses sent
- them to the war, a
- thousand of every tribe, them
- and Phinehas the son of Eleazar
- the priest, to the war.
- with the holy instruments,
- and the trumpets to
- blow in his hand.
- 7. And they warred against the Midianites.
 - as the LORD commanded Moses;
- and they slew
- all the males.
 - 8. And they slew
 - the kings of Midian, beside the

rest of them that were slain; namely. Evi, and Rekem, and Zur, and Hur, and Reba, five kings of Midian: Balaam also the son of Beor they slew with the sword.

9. And the children of

ı İ Israel took *all* the

women of Midian

■ captives, and their

little ones, and took

the spoil of all their

cattle, and all their

flocks, and all their acods.

goods.

10. And they burnt all their

cities wherein they dwelt.

■ and all their goodly

castles, with fire.

11. And they took all the spoil, and all the prey, *both* of men and of beasts.

12 And they brought the captives, and the prey,

and the spoil, unto Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and

unto the congregation of the children of Israel, unto the camp at the plains of Moab, which are by Jordan near Jericho.

13. And Moses, and Eleazar the priest, and all the princes of the congregation, went forth to meet them without the camp.

14. And Moses was wroth with the officers of the host, with the captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, which came from the battle.

■ 15. And Moses

said unto them.

■ | Have ye saved all

■ the women alive?

■ 16. **Behold, these caused** the children of

■ Israel, through the counsel of Balaam.

to commit trespass
 against the LORD in the
 matter of Peor, and there

■ was a plague among the congregation of the LORD.

17. Now therefore

kill every male among the little ones, and kill

every woman that hath known man by Iving with him.

by lying with him.

18. But all the women

children, that have not known a man by lying with him,

keep alive for yourselves.

■ 19. And do ye ■ abide witho

abide without the camp seven days: whosoever hath killed any person, and whosoever hath touched any slain,

purify both yourselvesand your captives

on the third day,

and on the

seventh day.

20. And purify all your raiment, and

all that is made

of skins, and all work

of goats' *hair*, and all **things made of wood**.

things made of wood.
 21. And Eleazar the priest
 said unto the men of war which

went to the battle. This is the ordinance of the law which the LORD commanded Moses:

1 22. Only the gold, and the

silver, the

brass, theiron, the

■ tin, and the lead.

23. Every thing that may abide the fire, ye

■ shall make it

go through the fire, and it shall be clean:

nevertheless it shall be purified with the water

purified with the water of separation; and all

that abideth not the fire ye shall make go through the water.

■ 24. **And** ye shall

wash your clothes on the seventh day, and ye shall

be clean, and afterward ye shall

come into the camp.

■ 25. And the LORD spake

unto Moses, saying,

26. Take the sum of the

prey that was taken, both of man and of beast, thou, and Eleazar the priest, and the chief fathers of the congregation:

27. And divide the preyinto two parts; between

■ them that took the war upon them,

■ who went out to

battle, and between all the congregation:

■ 28. And levy a tribute unto the Lord of the men of war

I | The Lord of the men of war

which went out to

of five hundred, both of the persons, and of the beeves, and of the asses, and of the sheep:

29. **Take** if of their half, and give if unto

■ Eleazar the priest,

for an heave offering of the LORD.

30. And of the children

of Israel's half, thou shalt take one portion of fifty,

of the persons, of the beeves, of the asses, and of the flocks, of all manner of beasts,

■ and give them

■ unto the Levites, which keep the charge of the tabernacle of the LORD.

■ 31. And Moses and

■ Eleazar the priest

did as the LORD commanded Moses.

■ 32. And the booty,

being the rest of the prey which the men of war had caught,

was six hundred thousand and seventy thousand and

five thousand sheep,

33. And threescore and twelve thousand beeves,

34. And threescore andone thousand asses,

■ 35. And thirty and

two thousand persons in all, of
 women that had not known
 man by lying with him.

36. And the half, which was the portion of them that went out to war, was in number three hundred thousand and seven and thirty

thousand and five hundred sheep:

■ 37. And the LORD'S tribute of the sheep

was six hundred and

threescore and fifteen.

38. **And the beeves** *were* thirty and six thousand; of which the LORD'S tribute *was*

threescore and twelve.

39. **And the asses** were thirty thousand and five hundred; of which the LORD'S tribute was

threescore and one.

40. **And** the persons *were* sixteen thousand; of which the LORD'S tribute *was*

■ thirty and

two persons.41. And Moses

41. And Moses gave the tribute, which was the LORD'S

heave offering, unto

■ Eleazar the priest,
■ as the LORD

■ commanded Moses.

42. And of the children of Israel's half, which Moses divided from the men that warred,

■ 43. (Now the half that pertained unto the

congregation was three hundred thousand and thirty thousand and seven

thousand and five hundred sheep, 44. And thirty and six thousand beeves,

45. And thirty thousand asses and five hundred,

46. And sixteen thousand persons;)

47. Even of the children of Israel's half.

■ Moses took one portion

of fiffy, both of man and of beast, and gave them

and gave themunto the Levites.

■ which kept the charge of

■ the tabernacle of the LORD; as the LORD commanded Moses.

48. And the officers which were over thousands of the host, the captains of thousands,

and captains of hundreds,

unto Moses:

49. And they said unto Moses. Thy servants have taken the sum of the

men of war which are under our charge.

and there lacketh not one man of us.

50. We have therefore brought an oblation for

the LORD, what every man hath gotten, of jewels of gold, chains, and bracelets, rings, earrings, and tablets.

to make an atonement for our souls before the LORD.

51 And Moses and Eleazar the priest took

the gold of them, even all wrought jewels. 52. And all the gold of the offering that

they offered up to the LORD, of the captains of thousands, and of the captains of hundreds.

was sixteen thousand seven hundred and

fifty shekels.

53. (For the men of war had taken spoil, every man for himself.) 54. And Moses and Eleazar the

priest took the gold of the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and

■ brought it into the

■ tabernacle of the congregation,

for a memorial for the children of Israel

■ before the LORD.

CHAPTER 32

1. Now the children of Reuben and the children of Gad had a very great

multitude of cattle: and when

they saw the land of Jazer, and the land of

Gilead, that, behold, the place

was a place for cattle; 2. The children of Gad

and the children of

Reuben came and

spake unto Moses, and to

Elegzar the priest, and unto the princes of the congregation. savina.

3. Ataroth, and Dibon, and Jazer, and Nimrah, and Heshbon, and Elealeh. and Shebam, and Nebo, and Beon.

4. Even the country which the LORD smote before the congregation of Israel, is a land for cattle, and thy servants have cattle:

Wherefore, said they.

if we have found grace in thy sight, let this land be given unto thy servants for a possession, and bring us not over Jordan.

And Moses said unto the children of Gad and to the children of Reuben.

Shall your brethren go to war, and shall ve sit here?

discourage ve the heart of the children of Israel from aoina over into the land which the LORD hath given them?

7. And wherefore

8. Thus did your fathers, when I sent them

from Kadesh-barnea to see the land.

9. For when they went up unto the valley of Eshcol, and saw the land. they discouraged the

heart of the children of Israel, that they should not go into the land which the LORD had given them.

10. And the LORD'S anger was kindled the same time. and he sware, saying,

11. Surely none of the men that came up out of Egypt, from twenty years old and upward.

shall see the land which I sware unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob; because they have not wholly followed me:

12. Save Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite.

and Joshua the son of Nun: for they have wholly followed the LORD.

- 13. And the LORD'S anger
 was kindled against Israel,
 and he made them
 wander in the wilderness
- forty years, until all the generation, that had done
 - evil in the sight of the LORD,

was consumed.

- 14. And, behold, ye are risen up in your fathers' stead, an increase of sinful men, to augment yet the fierce anger of the LORD toward Israel.
- 15. For if ye turn away from after him,
- he will yet again
- leave them in the wilderness; and ye shall
- destroy all this people.

 16. **And they** came near unto him, and
- said, We will build sheepfolds here for our cattle, and cities
- our cattle, and cities for our little ones:
- 17. But we ourselveswill go ready armedbefore the children of
- Israel, until we have
- brought them unto their
 place: and our little ones shall dwell in the fenced cities because of the inhabitants of the land
- 18. We will not
- return unto our houses,
- until the children of Israel
 have inherited every man
 his inheritance.
 - 19. For we will not inherit with them on yonder side Jordan, or forward; because our inheritance is fallen to us on this side Jordan eastward.
- 20. And Moses said unto them,
 If ye will do this thing, if ye will go armed before the LORD to war,
 - 21. And will go all of you armed over Jordan before the LORD, until he hath driven out his enemies from before him,
 - 22. And the land be subdued before the LORD: then afterward ye shall return, and be guiltless before the LORD, and before Israel; and
 - this land shall be

your possession before the LORD.

- 23. But if ye will not
- do so, behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and
- be sure your sinwill find you out.
- 24. Build you cities for your little ones.
- and folds for your sheep;
- and do
- that which hath
- proceeded out of your mouth.
 - 25. And the children of Gad and the children of Reuben spake unto Moses, saying, Thy servants will do as my lord commandeth.
 - 26. Our little ones, our wives, our flocks, and all our cattle, shall be there in the cities of Gilead:
 - 27. But thy servants will pass over, every man armed for war, before the LORD to battle, as my lord saith.
 - 28. So concerning them
- Moses commanded
 Elegzar the priest, and
- Eleazar the priest, and
 Joshua the son of Nun.
- and the chief fathers of the tribes of the children
- of Israel:
- 29. And Moses said unto them,
- I If the children of Gad
- and the children of
- Reuben will pass with you over Jordan, every man
- armed to battle,
 - before the LORD,
- and the land shall be
- subdued before you; then ye shall give them the land
- of Gilead for a possession:
- 30. But if they will
- **not** pass over with you armed,
- they shall have
- possessions
- among you in the land of
- Canaan.
- 31. And the children of
- Gad and the children of
- Reuben answered, saying,

As the LORD hath said unto thy servants, so will we do.

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32. We will pass over armed before the LORD

into the land of

Canaan, that the possession of our inheritance on

this side Jordan may be ours.

33. And Moses gave unto

them, even to the children of Gad, and to the children of Reuben, and unto half the tribe of Manasseh the son of Joseph, the kingdom of Sihon king

the kingdom of Sihon kingof the Amorites,

and the kingdom of Og king of

Bashan, the land, with the cities thereof in the coasts, even the cities of the country round about.
 And the children of Gad

34. And the children of Gad built Dibon, and Ataroth, and Aroer, 35. And Atroth, Shophan, and Jaazer, and Jogbehah, 36. And Beth-nimrah, and Beth-haran, fenced cities:

Beth-haran, fenced cities: and folds for sheep.

37. And the children of

Reuben built Heshbon, and Elealeh, and Kirjathaim, 38. And Nebo, and Baal-meon, (their names being changed,) and Shibmah: and gave other names unto the cities which they builded.

■ 39. **And** the children of

Machir the son of Manasseh went to Gilead, and

took it, and dispossessed the Amorite which was in it.

40. And Moses gave Gilead unto Machir the son of Manasseh; and he dwell therein

41. And Jair the son of Manasseh went and took the small towns thereof, and called them Havoth-jair.
42. And Nobah went and took Kenath, and the villages thereof, and called it Nobah, after his own name.

CHAPTER 33

■ 1. These are the

■ journeys of the children

of Israel, which went

forth out of the land

■ of Egypt with their armies under

the hand of Moses and Aaron.

2. And Moses wrote their goings out

according to their journeys
by the commandment
of the LORD: and these

are their journeys according to their goings out.

3. And they departed from Rameses in the first month, on the fifteenth day of the first month; on the morrow

after the passover the children of Israel went out with an high hand in the sight of all the Egyptians.

4. For the Egyptians buried all *their* firstborn, which the LORD had smitten among them: upon their gods also the LORD executed judgments.

5. And the children of Israel removed from Rameses, and pitched in Succoth.

6. And they departed from Succoth, and pitched in Etham, which is in the edge of the wilderness.

7. And they removed from Etham, and turned again unto Pihahiroth, which is before Baalz-ephon: and they pitched before Migdol.

8. And they departed from before Pihahiroth.

and passed through the midst of the sea into the wilderness, and went three days' journey in the wilderness of Etham, and pilched in Marah.

9. And they removed from Marah, and came unto Elim: and in Elim were twelve fountains of water, and threescore and ten palm trees; and they pitched there.

10. And they removed from Elim, and encamped by the Red sea.

11. And they removed from the Red sea, and encamped in the wilderness of Sin.

12. And they took their journey out of the wilderness of Sin, and encamped in Doohkah.

13. And they departed from Dophkah, and encamped in Alush.

14. And they removed from Alush, and encamped at Rephidim, where

was no water for the people to drink.

15. And they departed from Rephidim,

and pitched in the wilderness of Singi.

- 16. And they removed from the desert of Singi, and
- pitched at Kibroth-hattaavah. 17. And they departed from Kibroth-hattaavah, and encamped at Hazeroth.
- 18. And they departed from Hazeroth, and pitched in Rithmah.
- 19. And they departed from Rithmah, and pitched at Rimmon-parez.
- 20. And they departed from Rimmonparez, and pitched in Libnah.
- 21. And they removed from Libnah, and pitched at Rissah.
- 22. And they journeyed from Rissah, and pitched in Kehelathah.
- 23. And they went from Kehelathah, and pitched in mount Shapher.
- 24. And they removed from mount Shapher, and encamped in Haradah.
- 25. And they removed from Haradah, and pitched in Makheloth.
- 26. And they removed from Makheloth, and encamped at Tahath.27. And they departed from Tahath, and pitched at Tarah.
- 28. And they removed from Tarah, and pitched in Mithcah.
- 29. And they went from Mithcah, and pitched in Hashmonah.
- And they departed from Hashmonah, and encamped at Moseroth.
- 31. And they departed from Moseroth, and pitched in Bene-jaakan.
- 32. And they removed from Bene-jaakan, and encamped at Hor-hagidgad.
- 33. And they went from Hor-hagidgad, and pitched in Jotbathah.
- 34. And they removed from Jotbathah, and encamped at Ebronah.
- 35. And they departed from Ebronah, and encamped at Ezion-gaber.
- 36. And they removed from Eziongaber, and pitched in the wilderness of Zin, which *is* Kadesh.

- 37. And they removed from Kadesh, and pitched in mount Hor, in the edge of the land of Edom.
- 38. And Agron the priest
 went up into mount Hor
 at the commandment of the LORD,
- and died there, in thefortieth year after the
- children of Israel were
- come out of the land of Egypt, in the first day
- of the fifth month.
- hundred and twenty and
- three years old when
- he died in mount Hor.
 - 40. And king Arad the Canaanite, which dwelt in the south in the land of Canaan, heard of the coming of the children of Israel.
- 41. And they departed from mount Hor, and pitched in Zalmonah.
 - 42. And they departed from Zalmonah, and pitched in Punon.43. And they departed from Punon, and pitched in Oboth.
 - 44. And they departed from Oboth, and pitched in Ije-abarim, in the border of Moab.
 - 45. And they departed from lim, and pitched in Dibon-gad.
 - 46. And they removed from Dibongad, and encamped in Almondiblathaim.
 - 47. And they removed from Almondiblathaim, and pitched in the mountains of Abarim, before Nebo.
 48. And they departed from
- the mountains of Abarim,
 and pitched in the plains
- of Moab by Jordan
 - near Jericho.
 - 49. And they pitched by Jordan, from Beth-jesimoth *even* unto Abel-shittim in the plains of Moab.
- 50. And the LORD spake unto Moses

in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho,

■ saying,

51. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them,

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263 When ve are passed over Jordan into the land of Canaan: . 52. Then ve shall drive out all the inhabitants of the land from before you. and destroy all their pictures, and destroy all their molten images, and quite pluck down all their high places: 53. And ve shall dispossess the inhabitants of the land, and dwell therein; for I have given you the land to possess it. 54. And ve shall divide the land by lot for an inheritance among your families: and to the more ve shall give the more inheritance, and to the fewer. ve shall give the less inheritance: every man's inheritance shall be in the place where his lot falleth; according to the tribes of your fathers ve shall inherit. 55. But if ve will not drive out the inhabitants of the land from before you; then it shall come to pass, that those which ve let **■ remain** of them shall be pricks in your eyes, and thorns in your sides, and shall vex you in the land wherein ve dwell.

CHAPTER 34

1. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

56. Moreover it shall

come to pass, that

2. Command the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye come into the land of Canaan:

I shall do unto you, as I

thought to do unto them.

■ (this is the land that shall ■ I fall unto you for an

■ inheritance, even the land of

Canaan with the coasts thereof:)

> 3. Then your south quarter shall be from the wilderness of

Zin along by the coast of Edom. and your south border

shall be the outmost coast of the salt sea eastward:

- 4. And your border shall turn from the south to the ascent of Akrabbim, and pass on to Zin: and the going forth thereof shall be from the south to Kadesh-barnea, and shall go on to Hazar-addar, and pass on to Azmon. 5 And the horder shall

fetch a compass from Azmon unto the river of Egypt, and the goings out of it shall be at the sea.

6. And as for the western border, ve shall even have

the areat sea for a border: this shall be your west border.

7. And this shall be your north border: from the great sea ve shall point out for you mount Hor:

8. From mount Hor ve shall point out your border

unto the entrance of Hamath; and the goings forth

of the border shall be to Zedad: 9. And the border shall go on to Ziphron, and the goings out of it shall be at Hazar-enan: this

shall be your north border.

10. And ve shall point out your east border

from Hazar-enan to Shepham:

11. And the coast shall go down from Shepham to Riblah. on the east side of Ain: and

the border shall descend, and shall reach

unto the side of

the sea of Chinnereth eastward:

12. And the border shall go down to Jordan, and the goings out of it shall be at the salt sea:

this shall be your land with the coasts thereof round about.

13. And Moses commanded

the children of Israel.

savina. This *is* the land which ye shall inherit by lot, which the LORD commanded to

give unto the nine tribes.

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and to the half tribe:

- 14 For the tribe of the children of Reuben according to
 - the house of their fathers.
- and the tribe of the children of
- Gad according to the house of their fathers, have received their inheritance:
- and half the tribe of Manasseh have received their inheritance:
 - 15. The two tribes and the half tribe have received their inheritance

on this side Jordan

near Jericho eastward. toward the sunrising.

- 16. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,
- 17. These are the names of
 - the men which shall divide the land unto you:
- Eleazar the priest.

- and Joshua the son of Nun.
- 18. And ve shall take one prince of every tribe.

to divide the land by inheritance.

- 19. And the names of the men are these: Of the tribe of Judah. Calebthe son of Jephunneh.
- 20. And of the tribe of the children of Simeon, Shemuel the son of Ammihud.
- 21. Of the tribe of Benjamin, Flidad the son of Chislon
- 22. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Dan, Bukki the son of Jogli.
- 23. The prince of the children of Joseph, for the tribe of the children of Manasseh, Hanniel the son of Ephod.
- 24. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Ephraim. Kemuel the son of Shiphtan. 25. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Zebulun. Elizaphan the son of Parnach.
- 26. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Issachar, Paltiel
- the son of Azzan.
- 27. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Asher, Ahihud the son of Shelomi

28. And the prince of the tribe of the children of Naphtali, Pedahel the son of Ammihud. 29. These are they whom the LOBD commanded to divide the inheritance unto the children of

Israel in the land of Canaan.

CHAPTER 35

- 1. And the LORD spake unto Moses in the plains of Moab by Jordan near Jericho,
- sayina.
- 2. Command the children of Israel, that they give unto
- the Levites of the inheritance
- of their possession
- cities to dwell in; and ye shall give also unto the Levites suburbs for the cities round about them.
 - 3. And the cities shall they have to dwell in; and the
- suburbs of them shall be for their cattle, and for their goods, and for all their beasts.
- 4 And the suburbs of the cities, which ve shall give unto the Levites,
- shall reach from the wall of the city and outward a thousand cubits round about.
 - 5. And ye shall measure from without the city on the east side two thousand cubits, and on the south side two thousand cubits, and on the west side two thousand cubits, and on the north side two thousand cubits; and the city shall be in the midst: this shall be to them the suburbs of the cities.
- 6. And amona the cities which ye shall give unto the Levites there shall be six cities for refuge. which ve shall appoint
- for the manslaver, that he may flee thither:
- and to them ve shall
- add forty and
- two cities.
- 7. So all the cities which
- ve shall aive to
- the Levites shall be
- forty and

265 eight cities: them shall ve give with their suburbs. s. And the cities which ve shall give shall be of the possession of the children of Israel: from them that have many ve shall give many; but from them that have few ye shall give few: every one shall give of his cities unto the Levites according to his inheritance which he inheriteth. 9. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 10. Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When ye be come over Jordan into the land of Canaan: 11. Then ye shall appoint you cities to be cities of refuge for you: that the slayer may flee thither, which killeth any person at unawares. 12. And they shall be unto you cities for refuge from the avenger; that the manslayer die not. until he stand before the congregation in judament. 13. And of these cities which ye shall give six cities shall ve have for refuge. 14. Ye shall give three cities on this side Jordan, and three cities shall ve give in the land of Canaan, which shall be cities of refuge. 15. These six cities

■ shall be a refuge.

■ Israel, and for the

stranger, and for the

sojourner among them:

that every one that

killeth any person

■ unawares may flee thither.

both for the children of

NUMBERS 35 16. And if he smite him with an instrument of iron, so that he die, he is a murderer; the murderer shall surely be put to death. 17. And if he smite him with throwing a stone, wherewith he may die, and he die. he is a murderer; the murderer shall surely be put to death. 18. Of if he smite him. with an hand weapon of wood, wherewith he may die. and he die, he is a murderer; the murderer shall surely be put to death. 19. The revenger of blood himself shall slay the murderer: when he meeteth him, he shall slav him. 20. But if he thrust him of hatred, or hurl at him by laving of wait, that he die: 21. Or in enmity smite him with his hand, that he die: he that smote him shall surely be put to death; for he is a murderer: the revenger of blood shall slav the murderer. when he meeteth him. 22. But if he thrust him suddenly without enmity, or have cast upon him any thing without laying of wait, 23. Or with any stone, wherewith a man may die, seeing him not, and cast it upon him. that he die, and was not his enemy, neither sought his harm: 24. Then the congregation shall judge between the slayer and the revenger of blood according to these judgments: 25. And the congregation shall deliver the slaver out of the hand of the revenger of blood, and the congregation shall restore him to the city of his refuge, whither he was fled: and he shall abide in it unto the death of the

high priest, which was

anointed with the holy oil.

26. But if the slayer

NUMBERS 36 shall at any time come without the border of the city of his refuge. whither he was fled: 27 And the revenger of ■ blood find him without the borders of the city of his refuge, and the revenger of blood kill the slayer; he shall not be quilty of blood: 28 Becausé he should have remained in the City of his refuge until the death of the high priest: but after the death of the high priest the slayer shall return into the land of his possession. 29. So these things shall be for a statute of judament unto you throughout your generations in all your dwellings. 30. Whoso killeth any person. the murderer shall be put to death by the mouth of witnesses; but one witness shall not testify against any person to cause him to die. 31. Moreover ve shall take no satisfaction for the life of a murderer, which is quilty of death; but he shall be surely put to death. 32. And ve shall ■ take no satisfaction for ■ him that is fled to the city of his refuge, that he should come again to ■ dwell in the land, until

■ the children of Israel.

the death of the priest. 33. So ye shall not pollute the land wherein ye are: for blood it defileth the land; and the land cannot be cleansed of the blood that is shed therein, but by the blood of him that shed it. ■ 34. **Defile not** therefore ■ | the land which ye shall inhabit, wherein I dwell: for I the LORD dwell among

CHAPTER 36

- 1 And the chief fathers. of the families of the children of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, of the families of the sons of Joseph, came near, and spake before Moses, and before the princes, the chief fathers of the children of Israel:
- 2. And they said, The LORD commanded my lord to give the land for an inheritance by lot to the children of Israel; and my lord was commanded by the LORD
- Ė to give the inheritance of Zelophehad our brother unto his daughters.
- 3. And if they be married to any of the sons of the other tribes of the children of Israel. then shall their inheritance

be taken from the inheritance of our fathers, and shall be put to the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received; so shall it be taken from the lot

- of our inheritance.
 - 4. And when the jubile of the children of Israel shall be, then shall their inheritance be put unto the inheritance of the tribe whereunto they are received: so shall their inheritance be taken away from the inheritance of the tribe of our fathers.
- 5. And Moses commanded the children of Israel according to the word of the LORD.
- saying, The tribe of the sons of Joseph hath said well.
 - 6. This is the thing which
- the LORD doth command concerning the daughters of Zelophehad, saying,
- Let them marry
- to whom they think best:
- only to the family of the tribe
- of their father shall they marry.
- 7. So shall not the inheritance of the
 - children of Israel
- remove from tribe to tribe:

for every one of the children of Israel

shall keep himself to the inheritance of the tribe of his fathers.

- 8. And every daughter, that possesseth an inheritance in any tribe of the children of Israel,
- shall be wife unto one of the family of the tribe of her father, that the children

of Israel may enjoy every man the inheritance of his fathers.

- 9. Neither shall the inheritance remove from *one* tribe to another tribe; but
- every one of the tribes of the children of Israel
- shall keep himself to his own inheritance.
 - 10. Even as the LORD commanded Moses,
- SO did

the daughters of Zelophehad:

- 11. For Mahlah, Tirzah, and Hoglah, and Milcah, and Noah, the daughters of Zelophehad, were married unto their father's brothers' sons:
- 12. And they were
- married into the families of
- the sons of
- Manasseh the son of Joseph,
- and their inheritance remained in the tribe
 - of the family of their father.
- 13. These are the
- commandments and the judgments, which the
- LORD commanded by the hand of Moses unto the children of
 - **Israel** in the plains of Moab by Jordan *near* Jericho.

DEUTERONOMY

- Deuteronomy is the last of the five books which form
- the five books which form ■ the Pentateuch
- | the Pentateuch.
- The events which
- it relates took place during a forty day period just prior to the death of Moses and
- just before the children of
- Israel entered into the Promised Land

under the leadership of Joshua. One of the unique features of

- the book is that it
- gives a clear portrait of the heart of Moses as he speaks to the children of Israel.
- The discourses of Moses

 are eloquent. He reminds the people of how the Lord has entered into a covenant relationship with them, has separated them for Himself, and has guided and protected them through His miraculous power. Finally,
- he pleas compassionately, urging and warning

- | Israel not to turn from
 - the Lord. Interestingly,
- Deuteronomy is a pre-
- eminent source for the
- New Testament.
- | Jesus used passages
- from it when He was tempted by Satan. It was also the source Jesus utilized when speaking about the greatest commandment.
- Deuteronomy serves
- as the conclusion to
- a significant period
- of history. The children of Israel have wandered in the wilderness for forty years. A new generation
 - had been born.

 Moses, the great deliverer
- and lawgiver,

 has died. and Joshua
- makes preparation to
- Cross the Jordan River
- into the long-sought
- Land of Promise.

THE BOOK OF DEUTERONOMY

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- II. **The Law Reviewed** 5:1 26:19
- III. The Results of Obedience 27:1 28:68
- IV. The Covenant is Given Anew 31:1 — 34:12

CHAPTER 1

- L 1 These be the words which Moses spake unto all
- Israel on this side
 - Jordan in the wilderness.
- in the plain over against
- the Red sea. between Paran. and Tophel, and Laban. and Hazeroth, and Dizahab.
 - 2. (There are eleven days' journey from Horeb by the way of mount Seir unto Kadesh-barnea.)
 - 3. And it came to pass in the fortieth year, in the eleventh month. on the first day of the month, that
- Moses spake unto the children of Israel, according unto
- all that the LORD had aiven him
- in commandment unto them:
 - After he had slain Sihon the king. of the Amorites, which dwelt in Heshbon, and Og the king of Bashan. which dwelt at Astaroth in Edrei:
 - 5. On this side Jordan, in the land of Moab, began Moses to declare this law.
- savina.
 - 6. The LORD our
- God spake unto
- us in Horeb, saying, Ye have dwelt long
- enough in this mount:
 - 7. Turn you, and take your journey, and
- go to the mount of the Amorites, and unto all the places nigh thereunto, in the plain, in the hills, and in the vale, and in the south, and by the sea side.
- to the land of the
- | Canaanites, and unto
- Lebanon, unto the great river, the river Euphrates.
 - 8. Behold, I have set the land before you:
- go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto
- **I your fathers.** Abraham, Isaac. and Jacob, to give unto them
- and to their seed after them. 9. And I spake unto you at that
 - time, saying, I am not able to

bear you myself alone:

10. The LORD your

God hath multiplied you.

- and, behold, ye are this day as the stars of
- heaven for multitude.
 - 11. (The LORD God of your fathers make you a thousand times so many more as ve are, and bless you, as he hath promised you!)
- 12. How can I myself
- alone bear your cumbrance, and your burden, and your strife?
 - 13. Take you

- wise men, and understanding, and known among your tribes,
- and I will make
- them rulers over you.
- 14. And ye answered me. and said. The thina which thou hast spoken
- is good for us to do.
- 15. So I took the
- chief of your tribes.
- wise men, and known. and made them
- heads over you,
- captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, and captains over fifties, and captains over tens, and officers among your tribes.
- 16. And I charaed your
- iudaes at that time.
- saying, Hear the causes between your brethren,
- and judge righteously between every man and his brother, and the stranger that is with him.
 - 17. Ye shall not respect persons in judgment; but
- ve shall hear the small as well as the great; ye shall
- not be afraid of the face of
- man: for the judament is God's: and the cause
- that is too hard for you.
- bring it unto
 - me, and I will hear it.
 - 18. And I commanded you at that time all the things which ye should do.
- 19. And when we departed
- from Horeb, we went
- through all that

great and terrible

wilderness, which ye saw by the way of the mountain of the Amorites. as the LORD our God commanded us:

and we came to

Kadesh-barnea.

20. And I said unto you, Ye are come unto the mountain of the Amorites, which the LORD our God doth give unto us.

21. Behold, the LORD thy God hath set the land before thee: go up and possess if, as the LORD God

of thy fathers hath said unto thee; fear not, neither be discouraged. 22. And ve came near unto

me every one of you, and said. We will send

men before us.

and they shall search us out the land, and bring us word again by what way we must go up, and into what cities we shall come.

23. And the saving pleased me well: and

I took twelve men of you, one of a tribe:

> 24. And they turned and went up into the mountain, and came unto the valley of Eshcol, and searched it out. 25. And they took of the

fruit of the land in their hands

and brought it down

unto us, and brought us word again. and said, It is a good land which the LORD our God doth give us.

26. Notwithstanding ye would not go up, but

rebelled against the

commandment of the LORD your God:

27. **And ve**

murmured in your tents. and said. Because the

LORD hated us, he

hath brought us forth

out of the land

of Egypt, to deliver us into the hand of the

Amorites, to destroy us. 28. Whither shall we go up?

our brethren have

discouraged our heart,

saying, The people is greater and taller than we the cities *are* great and

walled up to heaven; and moreover we have seen the sons of the Anakims there

29. Then I said unto you, Dread not, neither be afraid of them.

30. The LORD your God which goeth before you, he shall fight for you,

according to all that he did for you

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in Egypt before your eyes; 31. And in the wilderness. where thou hast seen how that the LORD thy God bare thee, as a man doth bear his son, in all the way that ye went, until ye came into this place.

32. **Yet** in this thing

ye did not believe

the LORD your God. 33. Who went in the way

before you, to search you out a place to pitch

vour tents in.

in fire by night, to shew you by what way ye should go,

and in a cloud by day.

34. And the LORD

heard the voice of your words, and was

wroth, and sware, saying, 35. Surely

there shall not

one of these men of this evil generation

see that good

land, which I sware to

give unto your fathers. 36. Save Caleb the son

of Jephunneh; he shall see it. and to him will I give the land that he hath trodden upon. and to his children, because he hath wholly followed the LORD. 37. Also the LORD was angry with me for your sakes, saying, Thou

also shalt not go in thither.

38. But

Joshua the son of Nun, which standeth before thee, he shall go in thither: encourage him: for he

shall cause Israel to inherit it.
39. **Moreover** your little ones, which ye said should be a prey, and

your children, which in that day had no knowledge between good and evil, they

shall go in thither, and unto them will I give it,

and they shall possess it.

■ 40. But as for you, turn you, and take your journey into

the wilderness by the way of

the Red sea.

41. Then ye answered and said unto me.

We have sinned against the LORD.

■ we will go up and

fight, according to

■ God commanded us.

And when ye had girded on every man his weapons of war, ye were ready to go up into the hill.

■ 42. And the LORD said unto me, Say unto them.

Go not up, neither fight;

for I *am* not among you; lest ye be smitten

before your enemies.

■ 43. **SO** I spake unto you; and

ye would not hear, but rebelled against

the commandment of the LORD, and

■ went presumptuously

Went presumptuously
Up into the hill.
44. And the Amor

44. And the Amorites, which dwelt in that mountain, came out against you, and

chased you, as bees do, and destroyed you

in Seir, *even* unto Hormah.

45. **And ye** returned and

■ wept before the LORD;

but the LORD would

not hearken to your voice, nor give ear unto you.

46. So ye abode in Kadesh many days, according unto the days that ye abode there.

CHAPTER 2

1. Then we turned, and took our journey into the wilderness by the way of the Red sea, as the LORD.

of the Red sea, as the LORD spake unto me: and we compassed mount Seir many days.

2. And the LORD spake

unto me, saying,
Saying,

this mountain long
enough: turn you

northward.

4. And command thou
 the people, saying, Ye are
 to pass through the coast

■ of your brethren

the children of Esau, which dwell

in Seir; and they shall be afraid of you: take ye good heed unto yourselves therefore:

5. Meddle not with them; for I will not give you of their land, no, not so much as a foot breadth;

because I have

given mount Seir unto Esau for a possession.

6. Ye shall buy meat of

them for money, that ye may eat;
and ve shall also buy

water of them for money,

that ye may drink.

7. **For** the LORD thy

■ God hath blessed thee

in all the works of thy hand: he knoweth thy walking through this great wilderness:

■ these forty years
■ the LORD thy God

hath been with thee;

thou hast lacked nothing.

8. And when wepassed by from our brethren

the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, through the way of the plain from Elath, and from Ezion-gaber, we turned and passed

■ **by** the way of

■ the wilderness of Moab.

9. And the LORD said unto me,Distress not the Moabites,

neither contend with them in battle:

for I will not give thee of their land for a possession:

■ because I have given

Ar unto the children

of Lot for a possession.

10. The Emims dwelt therein

in times past, a people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims;

11. Which also were accounted

giants, as the Anakims; but the Moabites called them Emims.

■ 12. The Horims also

dwelt in Seir beforetime;
but the children of Esqu

succeeded them, when they had destroyed them from before them, and dwelt in their stead; as Israel did unto the land of his possession, which the LORD gave unto them.

13. Now rise up, said I, and aet you over the

brook Zered. And we went over the brook Zered.

14. And the space in which we came

from Kadesh-barnea, until we were come over the brook

Zered, was thirty and eight years; until all the generation of the men of

war were wasted

out from among the host, as the LORD sware unto them.

15. For indeed the hand of the LORD was against them, to destroy them from among the host, until they were consumed.

■ 16. **So** it came to pass,

when all the men of war were consumed and dead from among the people,

17. That

the LORD spake unto me,saying.

18. Thou art to

pass over through

Ar, the coast of Moab,

this day:

19. And when thou comest nigh over against

■ the children of Ammon,

distress them not,

nor meddle with them:

for I will not give thee of the land of the children of

Ammon any possession; because

I have given it unto the

children of Lot for a possession.

20. (That also was accounted a land of giants: giants dwelt therein in old time; and the Ammonites call them Zamzummims;

21. A people great, and many, and tall, as the Anakims; but the LORD destroyed

them before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead:
22. As he did to the children of Esau, which dwelt in Seir, when he destroyed the Horims from before them; and they succeeded them, and dwelt in their stead even unto this day:
23. And the Avims which dwelt

23. And the Avims which dwelt in Hazerim, even unto Azzah, the Caphtorims, which came forth out of Caphtor, destroyed them, and dwelt in their stead.)

24. **Rise** ye

up, take your journey, and

pass over the river Arnon; behold,

I have given into thine hand Sihon the Amorite, king of Heshbon.

and his land: begin to

with him in battle.

This day will I begin

to put the dread of thee and the fear of thee upon

the nations that are under the whole heaven, who shall hear report of thee, and shall tremble, and be in anguish because of thee.

26. Ånd I sent messengers out of the wilderness of Kedemoth unto Sihon king of Heshbon

with words of peace, saying,

■ 27. Let me pass through thy

■ land: I will go along by the high way,

■ 1 will neither turn

unto the right hand nor to the left.

- 28. Thou shalt sell me meat for money, that I may eat; and give me water for money, that I may drink: only I will pass through on my feet; 29. (As the children of Esau which dwell in Seir, and the Moabites which dwell in Ar, did unto me;) until I shall pass over Jordan into the land which the LORD our God giveth us.
- 30. But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass
 by him: for the LORD thy
 God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand.
- as appeareth this day.
 31. And the LORD

 sqid unto me. Behold.
- I have begun to give
- Sihon and his land before thee: begin to possess, that
 - thee: begin to possess, that thou mayest inherit his land.

 32. Then Sihon came
- 32. Then Sihon came
 out against us, he and all his people, to fight at Jahaz.
- 33. And the LORD our God delivered him
- before us; and we smote him, and his sons, and all his people.
- 34. And we took all his cities at that time.
- and utterly
- destroyed the men, and the women, and the
- little ones, of every city, we left none to remain:
- 35. Only the cattle we
- took for a prey unto ourselves,
- and the spoil of the cities which we took.
 - 36. From Aroer, which is by the brink of the river of Arnon, and from the city that is by the river, even unto Gilead, there was not one city too strong for us: the LORD our God delivered all unto us:
- 37. Only unto the land of the children of Ammon thou
- camest not, nor unto any place of the river Jabbok, nor unto the cities in the mountains
- nor unto whatsoever

I■I God forbad us.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Then we turned, and
- went up the way
- to Bashan: and Og the
- king of Bashan came
 - out against us, he and all his people, to battle at Edrei.
- 2. And the LORD said unto me,
- Fear him not: for I will
- deliver him, and all his people, and his land, into thy hand;
- and thou shalt do unto him as thou didst unto Sihon king of the Amorites, which dwelt at Heshbon.
- 3. So the LORD our
- God delivered into our hands
 - Og also, the king of Bashan, and all his people: and we smote him until none was left to him remaining.
- 4. And we took all his cities at that time, there was not a city which we took not from them, threescore cities, all the region of Argob, the kingdom of Og in Bashan.
- 5. All these cities were fenced with high walls,

gates, and bars; beside unwalled towns a great many.

- 6. And we utterly
- destroyed them, as we did unto Sihon king of Heshbon, utterly destroying
- the men, women, and
- children, of every city.
- 7. **But** all
- the cattle, and the
- **spoil** of the cities,
- we took for a prey to ourselves.
- 8. And we took at that time out of the hand of
- the two kings
- of the Amorites the land that was
- on this side Jordan,
 from the river of
- Arnon unto mount Hermon:
 - 9. (Which Hermon the Sidonians call Sirion; and the Amorites call it Shenir;)
 - 10. All the cities of the plain, and all Gilead, and all Bashan, unto Salchah and Edrei, cities

brethren the children of Israel.

of the kingdom of Og in Bashan. 11. For only Oa king of Bashan remained of the remnant of giants; behold his bedstead was a bedstead of iron: is it not in Rabbath of the children of Ammon? nine cubits was the length thereof. and four cubits the breadth of it, after the cubit of a man. 12 And this land, which we possessed at that time, from Aroer, which is by the river Arnon, and half mount Gilead, and the cities thereof, gave I unto the Reubenites and to the Gadites. 13 And the rest of Gilead, and all Bashan. being the kingdom of Og. gave I unto the half tribe of Manasseh; all the region of Argob, with all Bashan, which was called the land of giants. 14. Jair the son of Manasseh took all the country of Argob unto the coasts of Geshuri and Maachathi: and called them after his own name. Bashan-havoth-jair, unto this day. 15. And I gave Gilead unto Machir. 16. And unto the Reubenites and unto the Gadites I gave from Gilead even unto the river Arnon half the valley, and the border even unto the river Jabbok. which is the border of the children of Ammon: 17. The plain also, and **Jordan**, and the coast thereof from Chinnereth even unto the sea of the plain, even the salt sea, under Ashdoth-pisgah eastward. 18. And I commanded ■ YOU at that time. saying, The LORD your God

■ hath given you this

ye shall pass over

armed before your

land to possess it:

all that are meet for the war. 19. But your wives, and your little ones, and your cattle. (for I know that we have much cattle.) shall abide in vour cities which I have given you: 20. Until the LORD have given rest unto your • brethren, as well as unto you. and until they also possess the land which the LORD your God hath given them beyond Jordan: and then shall ye return every man unto his possession, which I have given you. 21 And I commanded Joshua at that time saying, Thine eyes have seen all that the LORD your God hath done unto these two kinas: so shall the LORD do unto all the kingdoms whither thou passest. 22. Ye shall not fear them: for the LORD your God he shall fight for you. 23. And I besought the LORD at that time saying, 24. O Lord GOD, thou hast begun to shew thy servant thy greatness, and thy mighty hand: for what God is there in heaven or in earth, that can do according to thy works, and according to thy might? 25. I pray thee. let me go over, and see the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain, and Lebanon. 26. But the LORD was wroth with me for your sakes. and would not hear me: and the LORD said unto me, Let it suffice thee; speak no more unto me of this matter. 27. Get thee up into the top

of Pisgah, and lift up thine eyes

westward, and northward, and southward, and eastward.

and behold it with thine eyes:

■ for thou shalt not

go over this

Jordan.

28. **But charge Joshua**, and encourage him, and strengthen him:

for he shall ao over

before this people.

■ and he shall

cause them to inherit the

land which thou shalt see. 29. So we abode in the valley

over against Beth-peor.

CHAPTER 4

1. Now therefore

hearken. O Israel, unto the statutes and unto the judgments,

which I teach

YOU. for to do them.

that ye may live, and go in and possess the land which the

LORD God of your fathers giveth you.

2. Ye shall not add unto the word which I command

you, neither shall ye diminish aught from

if, that ye may keep the

commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.

3. Your eves have seen what the LORD did because

of Baal-peor: for all the men that followed Baal-peor, the LORD thy God hath destroyed them from among you.

■ 4 But ye that did cleave ■ I unto the LORD your God ■ are alive every one of

you this day.

■ 5. Behold, I have taught you

statutes and judgments, even as the LORD my God

commanded me, that ve should do so in the land whither ve go to possess it.

■ 6. **Keep** therefore and do

them: for

this is your wisdom and your understanding

in the sight of the

nations, which shall

hear all these statutes.

and say, Surely this great

nation is a

wise and understanding people.

7. For what nation is there so areat, who

hath God so nigh unto them,

as the LORD our God is in all things that we call upon him for?

8. And what nation is there so great, that

hath statutes and

judgments so righteous as all this law, which I set

before you this day?

Only take heed to thyself.

and keep thy soul

diligently, lest thou forget the things which thine eyes have seen, and lest they depart from thy heart all the days of thy life: but

teach them

thy sons, and thy

sons' sons:

10. Specially the day that thou stoodest before the

LORD thy God in Horeb. when the LORD said unto me, Gather me

the people together.

and I will make them hear **m** (my words, that they may

learn to fear me all the days

that they shall live upon the earth.

and that they may

teach their children.

11. And ye came

near and stood under the mountain:

and the mountain burned

with fire unto the midst of heaven, with darkness, clouds, and thick darkness.

12. And the LORD spake

unto you out of the midst of the fire: ve heard the voice of the words, but saw no similitude; only ye heard a voice.

13. **And** he

declared unto you

his covenant, which he

.

commanded you to perform, even ten commandments: and he wrote them upon two tables of stone. 14. And the LORD commanded me at that time

to teach you statutes and judaments, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go

over to possess it. 15. Take ve therefore good

heed unto yourselves; for ye saw no manner of similitude on the day that the LORD spake unto you in Horeb out of the midst of the fire:

16 **Lest ve** corrupt *vourselves*, and make you

a graven image, the similitude of any figure, the likeness of male or female

> 17. The likeness of any beast that is on the earth, the likeness of any winged fowl that flieth in the air.

18. The likeness of any thing that creepeth on the ground, the likeness of any fish that is in the waters beneath the earth:

19. And lest thou lift up thine eyes unto heaven, and when thou seest the sun, and the moon, and the stars, even all

the host of heaven.

shouldest be driven to worship them. and serve them, which the LORD thy God hath divided unto all nations under the whole heaven.

20. But the LORD hath taken you, and brought you forth out of the iron furnace, even

out of Egypt, to be unto him a people of inheritance, as ve are this day.

21. Furthermore the LORD was angry with me for your sakes.

and sware that I should not go over Jordan.

and that I should not go in unto that good land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance:

22. But I must die in this land, I must not go over Jordan:

■ but ye shall go over, and

possess that good land.

23. Take heed unto vourselves. lest ve forget the covenant of the LORD your God.

which he made with you.

and make you

a araven image, or the likeness of any thing, which the LORD thy God hath forbidden thee.

24. For the LORD thy God is a consuming fire, even a jealous God.

When thou shall beget. children, and children's children, and ve shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt *yourselves*, and

make a graven image. or the likeness of any thing.

and shall

do evil in the sight of

the LORD thy God, to provoke him to anger:

26 I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day, that

ve shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ve go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed.

27. And the LORD shall scatter you among the nations, and ye shall be left few in number amona

the heathen, whither the LORD shall lead you.

28. And there ye shall serve gods, the work of men's hands, wood and stone, which neither see, nor,

hear, nor eat, nor smell, 29. But if from thence

thou shalt seek the LORD thy God.

thou shalt find him. if thou seek him with all thy

heart and with all thy soul.

30. When thou art in

tribulation, and all these

things are

come upon thee.

even in the latter days.

- if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shalt
- be obedient unto his voice;

31. (For the LORD thy God is a merciful God:)

- he will not forsake
 - thee, neither destroy thee, nor forget the covenant of thy fathers which he sware unto them.
- 32. For ask now of the days that are past, which were before thee.
 - since the day that
- God created man upon the earth, and ask from the
 - one side of heaven unto the other. whether there hath been any such thing as this great
- thing is, or hath been heard like it?
- 33. Did ever people
- hear the voice of
- God speaking
- out of the midst of
- the fire, as thou hast heard.
- and live?

- 34. Or hath God
- assayed to go and take him a nation from the
 - midst of another nation, by temptations, by signs, and by wonders, and by war, and by a mighty hand, and by a stretched out arm, and by great terrors, according to all that the LORD your God did for you in Egypt before your eyes?
- 35. Unto thee it was shewed, that thou mightest know that the LORD he is God: there is
- none else beside him.
 - 36. Out of heaven he made thee to hear his voice, that he might instruct thee: and upon earth he shewed thee his great fire; and thou heardest his words out of the midst of the fire.
 - 37. And because he loved thy fathers, therefore he chose their seed after them, and brought thee out in his sight with his mighty power out of Egypt:
 - 38. To drive out nations from before thee greater and mightier than thou art, to bring thee in, to give thee their land for an

inheritance, as it is this day. 39 Know therefore this day and consider it in thine heart, that the LORD he is God in heaven above, and upon the earth beneath: there is none else.

40. Thou shalt keep therefore his statutes, and his commandments.

which I command thee this day, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, and

- that thou mayest prolong thy days upon the earth, which the
 - LORD thy God giveth thee, for ever. 41. Then Moses severed
- three cities on this side Jordan toward the sun rising:
- 42. That the slaver might
- flee thither, which should kill his neighbour
- unawares, and hated him not in times past; and that fleeing unto one of these cities he might live:
- 43. Namely, Bezer in the wilderness, in the plain country, of the Reubenites; and
- Ramoth in Gilead, of the Gadites: and Golan in Bashan. of the Manassites
- 44. And this is the law which Moses set before the children of
 - Israel: These are the testimonies. and the statutes, and the judgments, which Moses spake unto the children of Israel, after they
 - came forth out of Egypt. 46. On this side Jordan, in the valley over against Beth-peor, in the land of Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt at Heshbon, whom Moses and the children of Israel smote, after they were come forth out of Egypt:
 - 47. And they possessed his land, and the land of Og king of Bashan, two kings of the Amorites, which were on this side Jordan toward the sun rising; 48. From Aroer, which is by the bank of the river Arnon, even unto mount
 - Sion, which is Hermon, 49. And all the plain on this

side Jordan eastward, even unto the sea of the plain, under the springs of Pisgah.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 1. And Moses
- called all Israel.
- and said unto them,
- | Hear. O Israel.
- the statutes and judgments
 - which I speak
 - in your ears this day,
- that ye may learn them,
- and keep, and
 - do them.
 - The LORD our God made a covenant with us in Horeb.
 - 3. The LORD made not this covenant with our
- fathers, but with us, even us,
- who *are* all of us here
- alive this day.
- 4. The LORD talked with you face to face in the mount out of the midst of the fire,
 - (I stood between the LORD and you at that time, to shew you the word of the LORD; for ye were afraid by reason of the fire, and went not up into the mount;)
- saying.
- 6. I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.
- 7. Thou shalt have noneother gods before me.
- 8. Thou shalf not make thee any graven image, or any

likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the waters beneath the earth:

- 9. Thou shalt not
- **bow down** thyself
- unto them, nor serve
- them: for I the LORD thy God
 am a jealous God, visiting
- the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto
- the third and fourth generation
- of them that hate me,

 10. And shewing
- | mercy unto thousands of

- them that love me andkeep my commandments.
- 11. Thou shalt not take
 the name of the LORD thy God
 in vain: for the LORD will not
 - hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
 - 12. **Keep the sabbath**day to sanctify it, as the LORD thy
 God hath commanded thee.
 - 13. Six days thou shalf labour, and do all thy work:
- labour, and do all thy wor14. But the seventh
- day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God:
- in it thou shalf not do any
 - **WOrk**, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, nor thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thine ox, nor thine ass, nor any of thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates; that thy manservant and thy maidservant may rest as well as thou.
 - 15. And remember that thou wast a servant in the land of Egypt, and that the LORD thy God brought thee out thence through a mighty hand and by a stretched out arm: therefore the LORD thy God commanded thee to keep the sabbath day.
- 16. Honour thy father and thy mother, as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee;
- that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 17. Thou shalt not kill.
- 18. Neither shalt thou
 commit adultery.
 - 19. Neither shalf thou steal.
- 20. Neither shalt thou bear false witness against
 - thy neighbour.

- 21. Neither shalt thou desire thy neighbour's
- wife, neither shalt thou covet thy neighbour's house,
- his field, or his manservant.
- or his maidservant, his ox, or his ass,
- or any *thing* that is thy neighbour's.
 - 22. These words the LORD spake

unto all your assembly in the mount out of the midst of the fire, of the cloud, and of the thick darkness, with a great voice; and he added no more. And he wrote them in two tables of stone, and delivered them unto me.

- 23. And it came to pass.
- when ve heard the voice out of the midst of the
- darkness, (for the mountain did burn with fire.) that ve came near unto me, even all the heads of your tribes, and your elders:
- 24. And ye said,
 - Behold, the LORD our
- God hath shewed us his glory and his greatness. and we have heard his voice out

of the midst of the fire:

- we have seen this day that God doth talk with man, and he liveth.
- 25. Now therefore why should we die?

for this great fire will consume us:

- if we hear the voice of the LORD our
- God any more, then we shall die.
- 26 For who is there of all flesh, that
- hath heard the
- voice of the living
- God speaking out of the midst of the fire, as we have,
- and lived?
- 27. Go thou near, and
- hear all that the LORD our God shall say: and
- speak thou unto us
- all that the LORD our
- God shall speak unto thee:
- and we will hear it, and do it.
- 28 And the LORD
- heard the voice of
- your words, when
- ve spake unto me:
- and the LORD
- said unto me. I have heard the voice of the words of
 - this people, which they have spoken unto thee: they have well

said all that they have spoken.

- 29 O that there were such an heart in them, that they
- would fear me, and keep all my commandments
 - always, that it might be well with them. and with their children for ever!
- 30. Go say to them. Get you into your tents again.
 - 31. But as for thee, stand thou here
- by me, and I will speak unto thee all the
- commandments
- and the statutes, and the judgments. which thou shalt teach them.
- that they may do them in the land which I give them to possess it. 32. Ye shall observe to do therefore
 - as the LORD your God hath commanded you: ye shall not turn asideto the right hand or to the left.
- 33. Ye shall walk in all
- the ways which the LORD your
- God hath commanded
- you, that ye may live, and
- that it may be well with you. and that ye may prolong
- your days in the land which ye
 - shall possess.

CHAPTER 6

- 1 Now these are the commandments, the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD your God commanded to teach you, that ye might do them in the land whither ye go to possess it:
 - 2. That thou mightest fear the LORD thy God, to keep all his statutes and his commandments, which I command thee, thou, and thy son, and thy son's son, all the days of thy life; and that thy days may be prolonged.
 - 3. Hear therefore, O Israel, and observe to do it; that it may be well with thee, and that ye may increase mightily, as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee, in the land that floweth with milk and honey.
- 4. Hear, O Israel: The LORD
- our God is one LORD:
- And thou shalt love the

LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy

miaht.

6 And these words. **=** { which I command thee this day.

shall be in thine heart:

7 And thou shalt

teach them diligently unto thy children, and shalt

talk of them when thou

sittest in thine house. and when thou walkest

by the way, and when ■ thou liest down, and

when thou risest up.

■ And thou shalt

bind them for a sign

upon thine hand, and they shall be as frontlets

between thine eyes.

9. And thou shalt

write them upon the posts of thy house. and on thy gates.

> 10. And it shall be. when the LORD thy

God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to

Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. to give thee great and goodly

cities, which thou buildedst not

11. And houses full of all good things, which thou filledst not, and wells digged, which thou diggedst not, vineyards and olive trees, which thou plantedst not: when thou shalt have eaten and be full:

12. Then beware lest thou forget the LORD, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt. from the house of bondage.

13. Thou shalt fear the LORD thy God.

and serve him, and shalt swear by his name.

14. Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you: 15. (For the LORD thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against

thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth.

16. Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as

> ye tempted him in Massah. 17. Ye shall diligently keep the commandments of the LORD your God, and his testimonies. and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee

18. And thou shalt do

that which is right and good in the sight of the LORD: that

it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest go in and possess the good land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers.

To cast out all thine enemies. from before thee, as the LORD hath spoken.

20. And when thy son asketh theé in

time to come, saying, What *mean* the testimonies.

and the statutes, and the judgments, which the LORD our God hath commanded you?

21. Then thou shalt say unto thy son.

We were Pharaoh's bondmen

in Egypt; and the LORD brought us out of Egypt

> with a mighty hand: 22. And the LORD shewed signs and wonders, great and sore, upon Egypt, upon Pharaoh, and upon all his household, before our eyes: 23. And he brought us out from thence, that he might bring us in, to give us the land which he sware unto our fathers.

24. And the LORD commanded us to do all

these statutes, to fear the LORD our God, for our good always, that he might preserve us alive, as it is at this day. 25. And it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments

before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. When the LORD thy
 God shall bring thee
 into the land whither thou
 goest to possess it,
- and hath cast out many nations before thee, the Hittites, and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Borizzites, and the Hivites

the Amorites, and the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, seven nations greater and mightier than thou; 2. And when the LORD thy God shall deliver them

- 2. And when the LORD thy
 God shall deliver them
 before thee; thou shalt
 smite them, and utterly
 destroy them; thou
 shalt make no covenant
 with them, nor shew
 mercy unto them:
- 3. Neither shalt thou make marriages with them; thy daughter thou shalt not give unto his son, nor his daughter shalt thou take unto thy son.
- 4. For they will turn away thy son from following me, that they may serve other gods: so will the anger of
 - the LORD be kindled against you, and
- destroy thee suddenly.
- 5. But thus shall ye deal with them;
 ye shall destroy their
- altars, and break down their images, and cut down their groves, and burn their graven images with fire.
- 6. For thou art an holy people unto the LORD thy God: the LORD thy God hath chosen thee to be a special people unto himself, above all people that are upon the face of the earth
- 7. The LORD did not set his love upon you, nor choose you, because ye were more in number than any people; for ye were the fewest of all people:
- 8. But because the LORD
 loved you, and because he
 would keep the oath which
 he had sworn unto your

- fathers, hath the LORD brought you out with a mighty hand, and redeemed you out of the house of bondmen, from the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt.
- Know therefore that the LORD thy
- God, he is God, the faithful God, which
- keepeth covenant andmercy with them that love
- him and keep his commandments to a thousand generations;
 - 10. And repayeth them that hate him to their face, to destroy them: he will not be slack to him that hateth him, he will repay him to his face.
 - 11. Thou shalt therefore keep the commandments, and the statutes, and the judgments, which I command thee this day, to do them.
- 12. Wherefore it shall come to pass,
- if ye hearken to these judgments, and keep.
 - and do them, that the LORD thy
- God shall keep unto thee the covenant

and the mercy which

he sware unto thy fathers:

- 13. And he will love thee, and bless thee, and multiply thee: he will also bless the fruit of thy womb, and the fruit of thy land, thy corn, and thy wine, and thine oil, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep, in the land which he sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
- 14. Thou shalt be blessed above all people: there shall not be male or female barren among you, or among your cattle.
- 15. And the LORD will take away from thee
- all sickness, and will put none of the evil diseases of Egypt, which thou knowest, upon thee; but will lay
- them upon all *them* that hate thee.

 16. And thou shalt
 - consume all
- the people which the LORD thy
 - God shall deliver

thee: thine eve shall

have no pity upon them: neither shall thou serve their gods; for that will be a snare unto thee. 17. If thou shalt SQV in thine heart. These nations are more than I: how can I

dispossess them? 18. Thou shalt not be afraid of them:

but shalt well

remember what the LORD thy God did unto Pharaoh,

and unto all Egypt:

19. The great temptations which thine eyes saw, and the signs, and the wonders, and the mighty hand, and the stretched out arm, whereby the LORD thy God brought thee out:

so shall the LORD thy God do unto all the people of whom thou art afraid.

20. Moreover the LORD thy God will send the hornet among them. until they that are left, and hide themselves from thee, be destroyed. 21. Thou shalt not be affrighted at them: for the LORD thy God is among you, a mighty God and terrible.

22. And the LORD thy God will put out those

nations before thee by little and little: thou mayest not consume them at

once, lest the beasts of the field increase upon thee 23. But the LORD thy God shall deliver them unto thee, and shall

destroy them with a mighty destruction, until they be destroyed. 24. And he shall deliver their kings into thine hand, and thou shalt destroy their name from under heaven; there shall no man be able to stand before thee, until thou have destroyed them.

25. The graven images of their gods shall ye burn with fire: thou shalt not desire

the silver or gold that is

on them, nor take it unto thee, lest thou be snared therin; for it is an abomination to the LORD thy God. 26. Neither shalt thou

bring an abomination into

thine house, lest thou be a cursed thing like it: but thou shalt utterly detest it, and thou shalt utterly abhor it; for it is a cursed thing.

CHAPTER 8

1. All the commandments which I command thee this day shall ye observe to do, that ye may live, and multiply, and go in and possess the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers.

And thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD thy

God led thee these

forty years in the

wilderness, to humble thee. and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments, or no.

3 And he humbled thee. and suffered thee to hunger, and fed thee with

manna, which thou knewest not. neither did thy fathers know;

that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread

only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the

LORD doth man live.

4. Thy raiment waxed

not old upon thee, neither did thy foot

swell, these forty years.

5. Thou shalt also

consider in thine heart.

that, as a man chasteneth his son,

so the LORD thy God

chasteneth thee.

6. Therefore thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to fear him.

7. For the LORD thy

God bringeth thee into a

- good land, a land of brooks of water, of fountains and depths that spring out of valleys and hills: 8. A land of wheat, and barley. and vines, and fig trees, and pomegranates; a land of oil olive, and honey:
- 9. A land wherein thou shalt eat bread without scarceness.
- thou shalt not lack any thing in it; a land whose stones are iron, and out of whose hills thou mavest dig brass.
- 10 When thou hast eaten and art full.
- then thou shalt bless the LORD thy God for the good land
 - which he hath given thee.
- 11. Beware that thou forget not the LORD thy God, in not keeping his commandments, and his judgments, and his statutes. which I command thee this day:
 - 12. Lest when thou hast eaten and art full, and hast built goodly houses, and dwelt therein;
 - 13. And when thy herds and thy flocks multiply, and thy silver and thy gold is multiplied, and all that thou hast is multiplied;
 - 14. Then thine heart be lifted up, and thou forget the LORD thy God, which brought thee forth out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage:
 - 15. Who led thee through that great and terrible wilderness, wherein were fiery serpents, and scorpions, and drought, where there was no water; who brought thee forth water out of the rock of flint:
 - 16. Who fed thee in the wilderness with manna, which thy fathers knew not, that he might humble thee, and that he might prove thee, to do thee good at thy latter end:
- 17. And thou
- say in thine heart, My power and the might of *mine* hand hath gotten me this wealth.
- 18. **But** thou shalt
 - remember the LORD

thy God: for it is he that

giveth thee power to get wealth.

that he may establish his covenant which he sware unto thy fathers, as it is this day.

- 19. And it shall be.
- if thou do at all
 - foraet the LORD thy
- God, and walk after
- other gods, and serve them, and worship them.
- I testify against you this day
- that ye shall surely perish. 20. As the nations which the LORD destroyeth before your face, so shall ve perish; because ve

would not be obedient unto the voice of the LORD your God.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. Hear, O Israel: Thou art to
- pass over Jordan
- this day, to go in to
- possess nations
- greater and mightier than thyself, cities great and fenced up to heaven.
- A people great and
- tall, the children of the Anakims. whom thou knowest, and
- of whom thou hast heard
- say, Who can stand before the children of Anak!
- Understand therefore.
- this day, that the LORD thy
- **God** is he which goeth over before thee; as a consuming fire he
- **shall destroy them**, and he shall bring them down before thy face: so shalt thou drive them
- out, and destroy them quickly. as the LORD hath said unto thee. 4. Speak not thou in
- thine heart, after that the LORD thy God hath cast them out from before thee, saving, For
- my righteousness the LORD
- hath brought me in to possess this land: but for the wickedness of these

nations the LORD doth drive them out from before thee.

5. Not for thy

righteousness, or for the uprightness of thine heart, dost thou go to possess their land:

but for the wickedness of

these nations the LORD thy

God doth drive them out

from before thee, and that he may perform the word which the LORD sware unto thy fathers. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. Understand therefore.

that the LORD thy

God giveth thee not

this good land to possess it for thy righteousness;

for thou art a

stiffnecked people.

7. Remember, and forget not. how

thou provokedst the LORD thy

God to wrath in the

> wilderness: from the day that thou didst depart out of the land of Egypt, until ve came unto this place, ye have been rebellious against the LORD.

8. Also in Horeb ve provoked the LORD to

wrath, so that the LORD was angry with you to have destroyed you.

9. When I was gone up into the mount lo receive the tables of stone, even the tables of the covenant which the LORD made with you, then I abode in the mount forty days and forty nights, I neither did eat bread nor drink water: 10. And the LORD delivered unto me two tables of stone written with the finger of God; and on them was written according to all the words, which the LORD spake with you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly.

11. **And** it came to pass

at the end of forty days and forty

nights, that

the LORD gave me the two

tables of stone.

even the tables of the covenant.

12. And the LORD

said unto me, Arise,

get thee

down quickly from hence:

for thy people which

thou hast brought forth out of Egypt

have corrupted

themselves; they are quickly turned aside out of the way which I commanded them:

they have made them a molten image.

13. Furthermore the LORD spake unto me, saving. I have seen this people, and.

behold, it is a stiffnecked people:

14. Let me alone, that I may destroy them, and blot out their name from

under heaven; and I will make of thee a

nation mightier and greater than they.

15. So I turned and

came down from the mount. and the mount burned with fire:

and the two

tables of the covenant

were in my two hands.

16. And I looked, and, behold,

ye had sinned against the LORD your God, and had made you

a molten calf: ye had turned aside quickly out of the way which the LORD had commanded you.

17. And I took the two tables, and cast them out of my two hands, and

brake them before your eyes.

And I fell down before. the LORD, as at the first, forty days and forty nights: I

did neither eat bread.

nor drink water. because of all

your sins which ye sinned, in doing wickedly in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

19. For I was afraid of the anger and hot displeasure.

wherewith the LORD was wroth against

YOU to destroy you. **But the LORD**

hearkened unto me at that time also.

20. And the LORD was very anary with Aaron

to have destroyed him:

and I prayed for

ACTOR also the same time.

21. And I took your sin.

the calf which ve had made. and burnt it with

fire, and stamped it.

and around if very small, even

until it was as small as

dust: and I

cast the dust thereof

into the brook that descended out of the mount.

22. And at Taberah, and at Massah, and at Kibroth-hattaavah. ve provoked the LORD to wrath.

23. Likewise when the LORD sent you from Kadesh-barnea.

saying, Go up and

possess the land which I have given you: then

ve rebelled against the commandment of the LORD your God, and ve believed him not. nor hearkened to his voice.

24. Ye have been rebellious against the LORD

from the day that I knew you.

25. Thus I fell down before the LORD forty days and forty nights, as I fell down at the first: because the LORD had said he would destroy you.

26. I prayed therefore unto the LORD, and said.

O Lord GOD, destroy not thy people and thine inheritance, which thou hast redeemed through thy greatness, which thou hast brought forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand. 27. Remember thy servants. Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; look not unto the stubbornness of this people, nor to their

wickedness, nor to their sin:

28 Lest the land whence thou broughtest us out say. Because the LORD was not able to bring them into the land which he promised them, and

because he hated them

he hath brought them out

to slay them in the wilderness. 29. Yet they are thy people and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest out by thy mighty power and by thy stretched out arm.

CHAPTER 10

1. At that time the

LORD said unto me.

Hew thee

two tables of stone like unto

the first, and come

up unto me into the mount.

and make thee

an ark of wood.

2. And I will write on

the tables the words that were in the first

tables which thou brakest. and thou shalt put them in the ark.

And I made an ark of shittim wood, and hewed two tables of stone like unto the first. and went up into the mount, having the two tables in mine hand.

4 And he wrote on the tables, according to the first writing, the ten commandments, which the LORD spake unto you in the mount out of the midst of the fire in the day of the assembly: and the LORD gave them unto me.

And I turned myself and

came down from the mount.

and put the tables in the ark which I had made; and there they he as the LORD commanded me.

6. And the children of

Israel took their journey from Beeroth of the children of Jaakan

to Mosera: there Aaron

died, and there he was buried;

and Eleazar his son

ministered in the priest's office in his stead

7. From thence they iourneyed unto

Gudgodah: and from Gudgodah

to Jotbath a land of rivers of waters.

8 At that time the LORD

separated the tribe of Levi. to bear the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

to stand before the LORD to minister unto him, and

to bless in his name, unto this day. Wherefore Levi

hath no part nor

inheritance with his brethren: the LORD is his

inheritance, according as the LORD thy God promised him.

10. And I stayed in the mount, according to the first time.

forty days and forty nights: and the LORD hearkened

unto me at that time also.

and the LORD

would not destroy thee.

11. And the LORD said unto me. Arise.

take thy journey before the

people, that they may go in and

possess the land. which I sware unto their fathers to give unto Ihem.

12. And now, Israel, what doth the LORD thy God

require of thee, but

to fear the LORD thy

God, to walk in all his ways, and to love him, and

to serve the LORD thy God with all thy heart and with all thy soul,

13. To keep the commandments of the LORD, and his statutes, which I command thee this day for thy good?

14. Behold, the heaven and the heaven of heavens

is the LORD's thy God. ■ the earth also.

with all that therein is.

■ 15. Only the LORD ■ had a delight in thy

fathers to love them

and he chose their seed after them, even you

above all

people, as it is this day.

16. Circumcise therefore the foreskin of your

heart, and be no more stiffnecked.

17. For the LORD your God is God of gods, and Lord

of lords, a great God, a

mighty, and a terrible, which

reagrdeth not persons.

nor taketh reward: 18. He doth execute the

judgment of the fatherless

and widow, and loveth the stranger, in giving

him food and raiment.

19. Love ve therefore

the stranger; for ve were strangers in the land of

Egypt.

20. Thou shalt fear the

LORD thy God; him shalt thou serve, and to him shall thou cleave, and swear by his name.

21. He is thy praise, and he is thy God, that hath done for thee these great and terrible things. which thine eyes have seen. 22. Thy fathers went down

into Egypt with threescore and ten persons:

and now the LORD thy

God hath made thee as the

stars of heaven for multitude.

CHAPTER 11

 Therefore thou shalt love the LORD. thy God, and keep his charge, and his statutes, and his judgments, and his commandments, alway.

And know ye this day: for / speak not with your children which have not known, and which have not seenthe chastisement of the LORD your God.

his greatness, his mighty hand, and his stretched out arm,

3. And his miracles, and his

acts, which he did in the midst

- of Egypt unto Pharaoh the king of Egypt, and unto all his land;
- 4. And what he did unto the army of Eavpl, unto their horses, and to their chariots: how he made the water of the Red sea to overflow them as they pursued after you, and how the LORD hath destroyed them unto this day:
- 5. And what he did unto you in the wilderness, until ve came into this place;
- 6 And what he did unto Dathan and Ahiram, the sons of Eliab, the son of Reuben: how the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their households, and their tents, and all the substance that was in their possession, in the midst of all Israel:
- 7. But your eyes have seen all the great acts of the LORD which he did.
- 8. Therefore shall ve
- keep all

- the commandments which I command you this day, that ye may be strong, and go in and possess the land, whither ye go to possess it;
- 9. And that ye may prolong your days in the land, which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give unto them and to their seed, a land that floweth with milk and honey.
- 10. For the land, whither
- thou goest in to possess it,
- is not as the land of
 - **Egypt,** from whence ye came out, where thou sowedst thy seed, and wateredst it with thy foot, as
- a garden of herbs:
- 11. But the land, whither
- ye go to possess it,
- is a land of hills and valleys, and drinketh water of the rain of heaven:
- 12. A land which
- the LORD thy God
- careth for: the eyes of the LORD thy God are always upon it. from the beginning of the year even unto the end of the year. 13. And it shall come to pass.
 - if ye shall hearken diligently

unto my commandments

which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God. and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul. 14 That

- I will give you the
- rain of your land
- in his
 - due season.

the first rain and the latter rain.

that thou mayest gather in thy corn,

and thy wine, and thine oil. 15. And I will send grass in thy fields for thy cattle, that thou mavest eat and be full.

- Take heed to vourselves.
- that your heart be not deceived, and ye turn aside, and serve other
- gods, and worship them:
 - 17. And then
- the LORD's wrath be
- kindled against you.
- and he shut up the heaven. that there be no rain.

and that the land vield not her fruit:

- and lest
- ye perish quickly from off the good land which the LORD giveth you.
- 18. Therefore shall ve lay
- up these my words in your heart and in your soul. and bind them for a sign upon your hand, that they may be as frontlets between your eyes.
- 19. And ye shall teach them your children, speaking of them when thou sittest in thine house, and when thou walkest by the way, when thou liest down, and when thou risest up.
 - 20. And thou shalt write them upon the door posts of thine house, and upon thy gates:
 - 21. That your days may be multiplied, and the days of your children. in the land which the LORD sware unto your fathers to give them, as the days of heaven upon the earth.
 - 22 For if ye shall diligently
 - keep all these

- commandments which I command you, to do them, to love the LORD your God, to walk in all his ways, and to cleave unto him; 23. Then will the LORD drive out all these nations from before you, and ye shall possess greater nations and mightier than yourselves.
- 24. Every place whereon the soles of your feet shall tread shall be yours: from the wilderness and Lebanon, from the river, the river Euphrates, even unto the uttermost sea shall your coast be.
- 25. There shall no man be able to stand before you: for the LORD your God shall lay the fear of you and the dread of you upon all the land that ye shall tread upon, as he hath said unto you.
- 26. Behold, I set before you this day a blessing
 and a curse;
 - 27. A blessing, if ye obey the commandments of the LORD your God, which I command you this day:
- 28. And a curse, if ye will not obey the commandments of the LORD your God, but turn aside out of the way which I command you this day, to go after other gods, which ye have not known.
 29. And it shall come to pass, when the LORD thy God hath brought thee in unto the land whither thou goest to possess it, that thou shalt put the blessing upon mount Gerizim, and the curse upon mount Ebal.
 30. Are they not on the other side Jordan, by the way where the sun
 - goeth down, in the land of the Canaanites, which dwell in the champaign over against Gilgal, beside the plains of Moreh?

 31. For ye shall pass over Jordan to go in to possess the land which the LORD your God giveth you, and ye shall possess it, and dwell therein.

 32. And ye shall observe to do all the statutes and judgments which I set before

you this day.

CHAPTER 12

- 1 1. These are the
- statutes and judgments, which ye shall observe to do in the land, whichthe LORD God of thy fathers giveth thee to possess it, all the days that ye live upon the earth.
- 2. Ye shall utterly
- destroy all the places,wherein the nations
 - which ye shall possess
 - served their gods, upon the high mountains, and upon the hills, and under every green tree:
- 3. And ye shall overthrow their altars, and break their pillars, and burn their groves with fire; and ye shall hew down the
- graven images of their gods, and destroy the names of them out of that place.
- 4. Ye shall not do so unto the LORD your God.
- 5. But unto the place
- Which the LORD your
- God shall choose out of all your tribes to put
- his name there, even unto
 - his habitation shall ye seek, and thither thou
- and thither the shall come:
- 6. And thither ye shall
- bring your burnt offerings,
- sacrifices, and your
- tithes, and
- heave offerings

of your hand, and your

- VOWS, and your
- freewill offerings, and the firstlings of
- your herds and of your
- flocks:
 - 7. And there ye shall eat before the LORD your God, and ye shall rejoice in all that ye put your hand unto, ye and your households, wherein the LORD thy God hath blessed thee.
- 8. Ye shall not do after
 all the things that we do
 here this day, every man
 - whatsoever *is* right in his own eyes.

- 9. For ye are not as yet come to the rest and to the inheritance, which the LORD your God giveth you.
- 10 But when ye go over
- Jordan, and dwell in the land which the LORD your God giveth you to inherit, and when he giveth you rest from all your enemies round about, so that ve dwell in safety:
- 11. Then there shall be a place which the LORD your God shall choose to cause
 - his name to dwell there: thither shall ve bring all that I command you; your burnt offerings. and your sacrifices, your tithes. and the heave offering of your hand, and all your choice yows which ve vow unto the LORD:
- 12. And ye shall rejoice before the LORD your God, ye, and your sons, and your daughters, and your menservants, and your maidservants, and the Levite that is within your gates; forasmuch as he hath no part nor inheritance with you.
- 13. Take heed to thyself that thou offer not thy burnt offerings in every place that thou seest:
 - 14. But in the place which the LORD shall choose in one of thy tribes. there thou shalt offer thy burnt offerings, and there thou shalt do all that I command thee.
- 15. Notwithstanding thou mayest kill and eat flesh in all thy gates, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee: the unclean and the clean may eat thereof, as of the roebuck, and as of the hart.
- 16. Only ye shall not eat the blood; ye shall pour it upon the earth as water.
- 17. Thou mayest not eat ■ | within thy gates the tithe of thy corn, or of thy wine, or of thy
- oil, or the firstlings of thy herds or of thy

- flock, nor any of thy
- VOWS which thou vowest.
 - **nor** thy freewill offerings, or heave offering of thine hand:
- 18. But thou must eat them
- before the LORD thy God
- in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant.
- and the Levite that is within thy gates: and thou shalt rejoice before the LORD thy God in all that thou puttest thine hands unto. 19. Take heed to thyself that thou
- forsake not the Levite as long as thou livest upon the earth. 20. When the LORD thy God shall enlarge thy border, as he hath promised thee, and thou shalt say, I will eat flesh, because thy soul longeth to eat flesh; thou mayest eat flesh, whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.
- 21. If the place which
- the LORD thy God
- hath chosen to
- put his name there
- be too far from thee, then thou shalt kill of thy herd

and of thy flock, which the LORD hath given thee, as I have commanded thee.

- and thou shalt
- eat in thy gates
- whatsoever thy soul lusteth after.
 - 22. Even as the roebuck and the hart is eaten, so thou shalt eat them: the unclean and the clean shall eat of them alike.
- 23. Only be sure that thou eat not the blood: for the blood is the life; and thou mayest not eat the life with the flesh. 24. Thou shalt not eat it: thou shalt pour it upon the earth as water. Thou shalt not eat it; that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD.
 - 26. Only thy holy things which thou hast, and thy vows, thou shalt

take, and go unto the place which the

LORD shall choose:

27 And thou shalt

offer thy burnt offerings, the flesh and the blood.

upon the altar of the

LORD thy God: and the blood of thy sacrifices shall be poured out upon the altar of the LORD thy God. and thou shalt eat the flesh

28 Observe and hear all these words which I command thee, that it may go well with thee, and with thy children after thee for ever, when thou

doest that which is good and right in the sight of the LORD thy God.

> 29. When the LORD thy God shall cut off the nations from before thee, whither thou goest to possess them, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in their land:

30. Take heed to thyself that thou be not snared by following them, after that they be destroyed from before thee; and that thou enquire not after their gods, saying, How did these nations serve their gods? even so will I do likewise.

31. Thou shalt not do so unto the LORD thy God: for every abomination to the LORD, which he hateth, have they done unto their gods; for even their sons and their daughters they have burnt in the fire to their gods

32. What thing soever I command you, observe to do it: thou

shalt not add thereto. ■ nor diminish from it.

CHAPTER 13

1. If there arise among you

a prophet, or a dreamer of dreams, and

giveth thee a sign or a wonder.

2. And the sign or the wonder come to pass, whereof

he spake unto thee.

saying. Let us go after ■ i other gods, which thou hast not known, and let us serve them:

Thou shalt not hearken. unto the words of that prophet, or that dreamer of dreams:

for the LORD your God proveth you, to know

whether ye love the

LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul.

4. Ye shall walk after the LORD your God, and fear him, and keep his commandments, and obey his voice, and ve shall serve him, and cleave unto him.

And that prophet. or that dreamer of dreams. shall be put to death:

because he hath spoken to turn you away from the LORD your God. which brought you out of the land of Egypt, and redeemed you out of the house of bondage, to thrust thee out of the way which the LORD thy God commanded thee to walk in. So shalt thou put the evil away from the midst of thee.

6. If thy brother.

the son of thy mother, or thy son, or thy

daughter, or the wife of

thy bosom, or thy friend, which is as thine own soul,

entice thee secretly. saying, Let us go and serve other gods, which thou hast not known, thou, nor thy fathers:

7. Namely, of the gods of the people which are round about you, nigh unto thee, or far off from thee, from the one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth:

8 Thou shalt not consent unto him, nor hearken unto him: neither shall thine eve

Dity him, neither shalt thou spare.

neither shalt thou conceal him:

9. But thou shalt surely kill him: thine hand shall be

first upon him to put him. to death, and afterwards the hand of all the people.

10. And thou shalt stone

- him with stones, that he die; because he hath sought to thrust thee away from the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage.
- 11. And all Israel
- | shall hear, and
- fear, and shall
- do no more any such
- wickedness as
 - this is among you.
- 12. If thou shalt hear say in one of thy cities, which the LORD thy God hath given thee to dwell there, saying.
 - Certain men, the children of Belial.

- are gone out from among you, and have withdrawn
- the inhabitants of theircity, saying, Let us go and
- serve other gods, which ye have not known;
- 14. Then shalt thou
- inquire, and make search, and ask diligently; and, behold,
 - if it be truth, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought among you;
- 15. Thou shalt surely smite the inhabitants
- of that city with the edge of the sword, destroying it utterly, and all that is therein, and the cattle there of, with the edge of the sword.
- 16. **And** thou shalt
- gather all
 - **The spoil** of it into the midst of the street thereof,
- | and shalt
- burn with fire
- the city, and all the
- spoil thereof every whit, for the LORD thy God: and it shall be an heap for ever; it shall not be built again.
- 17. And there shall cleave nought of the cursed thing to thine hand: that the LORD may turn from the fierceness of his anger, and shew thee mercy, and have compassion upon thee, and multiply thee, as he hath

sworn unto thy fathers;

18. When thou shalt hearken to the voice of the LORD thy God, to keep all his commandments which I command thee this day, to do that which is right in the eyes of the LORD thy God.

CHAPTER 14

- I 1. Ye are the children
- of the LORD your
- God: ye shall not cut
 yourselves, nor make
 any baldness betwee
- any baldness betweenyour eyes for the dead.
- 2. For thou *art* an holy
- **people** unto the LORD thy God, and the LORD hath chosen thee to\be a peculiar people unto himsel!, above all the nations that are upon the earth.
 - Thou shalt not eat any abominable thing.
 - 4. These are the beasts which ve shall eat: the ox. the
- sheep, and the
- goat,
 - 5. The hart, and the roebuck, and the fallow deer, and the wild goat, and the pygarg, and the wild ox, and the chamois.
- 6. And every beast that parteth the hoof, and cleaveth the cleft into two claws.
- among the beasts.
- that ye shall eat.
 7 Nevertheless these
- ye shall not eat of them that chew the cud, or of them that
- chew the cud, or of them to divide the cloven hoof:
- as the camel, and the
- hare, and the coney: for they chew the cud, but divide not the hoof; therefore they are unclean unto you.
- 8. And the swine.
- because it divideth the hoof, yet cheweth not the
- **Cud.** it is unclean unto you:
- ye shall not eat of their flesh,
- nor touch their
- dead carcase.
 - 9. These ye shall eat of all that are
 - in the waters: all that

have fins and scales shall ve eat: 10. And whatsoever hath not fins and scales ye may not eat: it is unclean unto you. 11 Of all clean birds ve shall eat. 12. But these are they of which ve shall not eat: the eagle, and the ossifrage, and the ospray, 13. And the glede, and the kite, and the vulture after his kind, 14 And every raven after his kind. 15 And the owl, and the night hawk, and the cuckow, and the hawk after his kind. 16. The little owl, and the great owl. and the swan. 17. And the pelican, and the gier eagle, and the cormorant. 18. And the stork, and the heron after her kind, and the lapwing, and the bat. 19. And every creeping thing that flieth is unclean unto you: they shall not be eaten. 20 But of all clean fowls ye may eat. 21. Ye shall not eat of anything that dieth of itself: thou shalt give it unto the stranger that is in thy gates, that he may eat it: Of thou mayest sell it unto an alien: for

thou art an holy people unto

■ Thou shalt not seethe a

■ kid in his mother's milk.

the LORD thy God.

■ 22. Thou shalf truly

■ I tithe all the increase of

■ I thy seed, that the field

bringeth forth year by year. 23. And thou shalt eat before the LORD thy God, in the place which he shall choose to place his name there, the tithe of thy COID, of thy wine, and of thine oil, and the firstlings of thy herds and of thy flocks: that thou mayest learn to fear the LORD thy God always. 24. And if the way be too long for thee, so that thou art not able to carry it: or if the place be too far from thee, which the LORD thy God shall choose to set his name there, when the LORD thy God hath blessed thee: 25. Then shalt thou turn it into money, and bind up the money in thine hand, and shalt go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: 26. And thou shalt bestow that money for whatsoever thy soul lusteth after. for oxen, or for sheep, or for wine. or for strong drink, or for whatsoever thy soul desireth: and thou shalt eat there before the LORD thy God, and thou shalt rejoice. thou, and thine household, 27. And the Levite that is within thy gates; thou shalt not forsake him; for he hath no part nor inheritance with thee. 28. At the end of three years thou shalt bring forth all the tithe of thine increase the same year. and shalt lay if up within thy gates: 29. And the Levite, (because he hath no part nor inheritance with thee.) and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, which are within thy gates, shall come, and

shall eat and be satisfied: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hand which thou doest

CHAPTER 15

- I 1. At the end of every seven years
- thou shalt make a release
 - 2 And this is the manner of the release:
- Every creditor that lendeth aught unto his neighbour shall release it: he shall not exact it of his neighbour, or of his brother; because it is called the LORD's release.
- 3. Of a foreigner thou mayest exact it again: but that which is thine with
 - thy brother thine hand shall
- release:
- 4. Save when there shall be no poor among you; for the LORD shall greatly bless thee in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to possess it: 5. Only if thou carefully hearken
 - unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to
- do all these commandments

which I command thee this day.

- 6. For the LORD thy God blesseth thee.
- as he promised thee:
- and thou shalt lend unto
- many nations, but thou shalt not borrow; and thou
- shalt reign over many
- nations, but they shall not reign over thee.
- 7. If there be among you a **poor man** of one of thy brethren
- within any of thy gates in thy land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not harden
- thine heart, nor shut thine hand from thy poor brother:
- 8. But thou
- shalt open thine
 - hand wide unto him.
- and shalt surely

- lend him sufficient for his
- need, in that which he wanteth. 9. Beware that there be
- not a thought in thy
- wicked heart, saying,
- The seventh year, the year
 - of release, is at hand:
- and thine eye be evil against
- thy poor brother, and thou givest him nought;
- and he cry unto the
- LORD against thee.
- and it be sin unto thee. .
 - 10. Thou shalt surely give him, and thine heart shall not be grieved when thou givest unto him; because that for this thing the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thy works, and in all that thou puttest thine hand unto.
- 11. For the poor shall never cease out of the land:

therefore I command thee, saving. Thou shalt open thine hand wide unto thy brother, to thy poor, and to thy needy, in thy land.

- 12. And if thy brother. an Hebrew man, or an Hebrew woman.
- be sold unto thee.
- and serve thee
- six years; then in
- the seventh year thou shalt
- let him go free from thee. 13. And when thou sendest
- him out free from thee thou shalt not let
- him go away empty:
 - 14. Thou shalt furnish him liberally out of thy flock, and out of thy floor, and out of thy winepress: of that wherewith the LORD thy God hath blessed thee thou shalt give unto him.
 - 15. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee: therefore I command thee this thing to day.
- 16. And it shall be.
- if he say unto thee, I
- will not go away from thee;
 - because he loveth thee and thine house, because he

is well with thee:

- 17. **Then** thou shalt
- take an aul, and thrust it
- through his ear unto the door,
- and he shall be thy servant
 - for ever. And also unto thy maidservant thou shalt do likewise.

 18. It shall not seem hard unto thee, when thou sendest him away free from thee; for he hath been worth a double hired servant to thee, in serving thee

six years: and the LORD thy God shall

- bless thee in all that thou doest.

 19. All the firstling
- males that come
- of thy herd and of thy flock thou shalt
- sanctify unto the LORD thy God: thou shalt do no work with the firstling of thy bullock, nor shear the firstling of thy sheep.
- 20. Thou shalt eat it before
- the LORD thy God year by year in the place which the LORD shall choose, thou and thy household.
- 21. And if there be any
 blemish therein, as if it be lame, or blind, or have any ill blemish,
- thou shalt not sacrifice it unto the LORD thy God.
 - 22. Thou shalt eat it within thy gates: the unclean and the clean person shall eat it alike, as the roebuck, and as the hart.

 23. Only thou shalt not eat the blood thereof; thou shalt pour it upon the ground as water.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. Observe the month ■ of Abib, and keep the
- passover unto the LORD thy God: for in the month of Abib the LORD thy God brought thee forth out of Egypt by night.
 - Thou shalt therefore sacrifice the passover unto the LORD thy God, of the flock and the herd, in the place which the LORD shall choose to place his name there.
- 3. Thou shalt eat no
- leavened bread with it;
- seven days shalt thou eat

- unleavened bread therewith,
- even the bread of
 - affliction; for thou camest
- forth out of the land of
 Egypt in haste: that thou mayest remember the day when thou camest forth out of the land
 - of Egypt all the days of thy life.

 4. And there shall be no leavened bread seen with thee in all thy coast seven days:
 - neither shall there
 - any thing of the
- flesh, which thou
- sacrificedst the first day at even,
- remain all night
 - 5. Thou mayest not
- sacrifice the passover
- within any of thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee:
- 6. But at the place which the LORD thy
- God shall choose to place his name in, there thou shalt sacrifice the passover at even, at the going down of the sun, at the season that thou camest forth out of Egypt.
 - 7. And thou shalt roast and eat *it* in the place which the LORD thy God shall choose: and thou shalt turn in the morning, and go unto thy tents.
 - 8. Six days thou shalt eat unleavened bread: and
- on the seventh day shall
 be a solemn assembly
 to the LORD thy God:
- thou shalf do
 - no work therein.
 - Seven weeks shalt thou number unto thee: begin to number the
- number the seven weeks from
- such time as
- thou beginnest to put the
- sickle to

- the corn.
- 10. **And** thou shalt
- keep the feast of weeks unto the LORD thy God
- | with a tribute of a
 - freewill offering of thine hand, which thou shalt give unto the LORD

thy God, according as the LORD thy God hath blessed thee:

11. And thou shalt

rejoice before the LORD thy God, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite that is within thy gates, and the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are among you, in the place which the LORD thy God hath chosen to place his name there.

- 12. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt: and thou shalt observe and do these statutes.
- 13 Thou shalt observe the feast of tabernacles seven days, after that thou hast gathered in thy corn and thy
- wine:
 - 14. And thou shalt rejoice in thy feast, thou, and thy son, and thy daughter, and thy manservant, and thy maidservant, and the Levite, the stranger, and the fatherless, and the widow, that are within thy gates.
- 15. Seven days shalt thou keep a solemn feast unto the LORD thy God
- in the place which the LORD shall choose: because the LORD thy God shall bless thee in all thine increase, and in all the works of thine hands. therefore thou shalt surely rejoice.
- 16. Three times in
- a vear shall all thy males appear before

the LORD thy God

- 6 in the place which he shall choose: in the feast of
- unleavened bread, and in ■ the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacies:
- and they shall not
- appear before the LORD empty:
 - 17. Every man shall give as he is able, according to the blessing of the LORD thy God which he hath given thee.

- 18. Judges and officers shalt thou make thee
 - in all thy gates, which the LORD thy God giveth thee, throughout thy tribes:
- and they shall judge the people with just judgment.
- 19. Thou shalt not wrest
- iudament: thou shalt not respect persons, neither
- take a aiff: for a gift doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous. 20. That which is altogether just
 - shalt thou follow, that thou mavest live, and inherit the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 21. Thou shalt not plant
- thee a grove of any trees
- near unto
- the altar of the LORD thy
- God, which thou shalt make thee.
- 22. Neither shalt thou
- set thee
 - up any image; which the LORD thy God hateth.

CHAPTER 17

- Thou shalt not
- sacrifice unto the LORD thy God
- any bullock, or sheep, wherein is blemish, or any
 - evilfavouredness: for that is an abomination unto the LORD thy God.
- If there be found among you, within any of thy gates which the LORD thy God giveth thee,
- man or woman, that
- hath wrought wickedness in the sight of the LORD thy God. in transgressing his covenant.
 - 3. And hath gone and
- served other gods, and worshipped them,

either the sun, or moon, or any of the host of heaven, which I have not commanded:

- 4. And it be told thee, and thou hast heard of it, and inquired diligently, and, behold, it be true, and the thing certain, that such abomination is wrought in Israel:
- 5. Then shalf thou bring forth

that man or that woman, which have committed that wicked thing, unto thy gates, even that man or that woman, and shalt

stone them with stones.

till they die.

6. At the mouth

of two witnesses

or three witnesses.

shall he that is worthy of death

be put to death; but at the mouth of one witness he shall not be put to death.

7. The hands of the witnesses shall be first upon him to put him to death, and afterward the hands of all the people. So thou shalt put the evil away from among you.

8. If there arise a matter too hard for thee in judgment,

between blood and blood, between plea and plea, and between stroke. and stroke, being matters of controversy within thy gates:

then shall thou arise, and

get thee up into the place which

the LORD thy God

shall choose:

9. And thou shall come unto the

priests the Levites.

and unto

the judge that shall be in those days, and inquire:

and they shall shew thee the sentence of judgment:

10. And thou shalf do according to the sentence,

which they of that place which the LORD shall choose shall shew thee; and thou shalt observe to do according to all that they inform thee: 11. According to the sentence of the law which they shall teach thee, and according to the judgment which they shall tell thee, thou shalt do:

■ I thou shalt not decline ■ I from the sentence which they shall shew thee, to the right hand, nor to the left.

12. And the man that will do presumptuously, and will

not hearken unto the

priest that standeth to minister. there before the LORD thy God. or unto the judge, even that man

shall die: and thou shalt put away the evil from Israel.

13. And all the people shall hear, and fear, and do no more presumptuously.

14 When thou art come unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, and shalt

possess it, and shalt dwell therein. and shalt sav. I will set a

king over me, like as all the nations that are about me:

Thou shalf in any wise.

set *him* king over

thee, whom the LORD thy God shall choose: one

from among thy brethren

shalt thou set king over thee: thou mayest not set a

stranger over thee. which is not thy brother.

16 But he shall not multiply horses to himself, nor cause the

people to return to Egypt, to the end that he should multiply

horses: forasmuch as the LORD hath. said unto you, Ye shall henceforth return no more that way.

17 Neither shall he multiply wives to himself.

that his heart turn not away: neither shall he greatly multiply to himself

silver and gold.

And it shall be.

• when he sitteth upon the throne of his kingdom, that

he shall write him a copy

of this law in a book out of that which is before the

> priests the Levites: 19. And it shall be with him, and he shall read therein all

the days of his life: that he may learn to fear the LORD his God, to keep all the words of this law and these statutes, to do them:

20. That his heart be not lifted up above his

brethren, and that he turn not aside from the commandment. to the right hand, or to the left: to the end that he may prolong his days in his kingdom, he, and his children, in the midst of Israel.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. The priests the Levites, and
- all the tribe of Levi.
- shall have no part nor

inheritance with Israel: they shall eat the offerings of the LORD made by fire, and his inheritance.

- 2. Therefore shall they have no inheritance among their brethren: the LORD is their inheritance. as he hath said unto them.
- 3 And this shall be the priest's due from the people, from them that

offer a sacrifice, whether it be ox or sheep; and

- they shall give unto the priest the shoulder, and the two cheeks,
- and the maw. 4. The firstfruit also
- of thy corn, of thy
- wine, and of thine
- oil, and the first of
- the fleece of thy sheep. shalt thou give him.
- 5. For the LORD thy
- God hath chosen him out of all thy tribes.
- to stand to minister in the name of the LORD.

him and his sons for ever.

- And if a Levite come from any of thy gates out of all Israel, where he soiourned, and come
- with all the
- desire of his mind
- unto the place which
- the LORD shall
- choose:
- 7. Then he shall minister in the name of the LORD his God.
- as all his brethren
- the Levites do.
 - which stand there
- before the LORD.

- 8. They shall have
- like portions to eat. beside that which
- cometh of the sale of his patrimony.
- 9. When thou art come
- into the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, thou shalt not learn to do after the abominations of those nations.
- 10. There shall not be found among you *any one* that maketh his son or his
- daughter to pass through
- the fire. *or* that useth divination, or an
- observer of times, or an
- enchanter, or a witch.
- 11. Or a charmer, or a consulter with
- familiar spirits, or a
- wizard, or a necromancer.
 - 12. For all that do these things
- are an abomination unto

the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.

- Thou shalt be perfect with the LORD thy God.
- 14. For these nations, which thou shalt possess, hearkened unto observers of times, and unto diviners: but as for thee, the LORD thy God hath not suffered thee so to do.
- 15. The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the
- midst of thee, of thy brethren,
- like unto me: unto him ye shall hearken:
- 16. According to all that
- thou desiredst of the LORD thy God in Horeb in the day
 - of the assembly.
- saying, Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God.
- neither let me see
- this great fire any more.
- that I die not.
 - 17. And the LORD said
 - unto me. They have well spoken

that which they have spoken.

18. I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren,

■ like unto

thee, and will put my words in his mouth;

and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him.

19. And it shall come to pass, that

whosoever will not hearken unto my

words which he shall

speak in my name,
I will require *it* of him.

20. But the prophet,which shall presume

to speak a word

in my name, which I have not commanded

of that

shall speak in the name of other gods, even

■ that prophet shall die.

21. And if thou say in thine heart.

How shall we know the word which the LORD hath not spoken?

■ nam not spoken? ■ 22. When a prophet

speaketh in the name
of the LORD, if the thing

follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which

the LORD hath not

spoken, *but* the prophet

hath spoken it

presumptuously:

thou shalt not be afraid of him.

CHAPTER 19

1. When the LORD thy

God hath cut off the nations, whose land the LORD thy God giveth thee, and thou succeedest them, and dwellest in

their cities, and in their houses;
2. Thou shalt separate

three cities for thee in the midst of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

3. Thou shalt prepare thee

a way, and divide the

 coasts of thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee to inherit, into three parts, that every

slayer may flee thither.

4. And this *is* the case of the slayer, which shall flee thither, that he may live:

Whoso killeth his neighbour ignorantly,

whom he hated not in time past;
5. As when a man goeth into the wood with his neighbour to hew wood, and his hand fetcheth a stroke with the axe to cut down the tree, and the head slippeth from the helve, and lighteth upon his neighbour, that he die; he

shall flee unto one of those cities, and live:

6. Lest the avenger of the blood pursue the slayer, while

his heart is hot, and overtake him, because the way is long.

and slay him; whereas he *was* not worthy of

death, inasmuch as he hated him not in time past.

7. Wherefore I command thee, saying, Thou shall separate three cities for thee.

8. And if the LORD thy God
 enlarge thy coast, as he hath
 sworn unto thy fathers, and give
 thee all the land which he promised
 to give unto thy fathers;

9. If thou shalt keep all these commandments to do them, which I command thee this day, to love the LORD thy God, and to walk ever in his ways;

then shalt thou add three cities more for thee, beside these three:

10. That innocent blood be not shed in thy land, which the LORD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance, and *so*

blood be upon thee.

11. But if any man hate
his neighbour, and lie in
wait for him, and rise up against him,

and smite him mortally

and fleeth into one

of these cities:

- 12 Then the elders of his city
- shall send and fetch him thence, and
- deliver him into the
- hand of the avenger of blood.
 - that he may die.
 - 13. Thine eye shall not pity him, but thou shalt put away the quilt of innocent blood from Israel, that it may go well with thee.
- 14. Thou shalt not remove thy neighbour's landmark. which they of old time have set in

thine inheritance, which thou shalt inherit in the land that the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it.

- 15. One witness shall not rise up against
- a man for any iniquity, or
- for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth:
- at the mouth of two witnesses.
- Of at the mouth of
- three witnesses, shall the
- matter be established. 16. If a false witness
- rise up against
- any man to testify against him that which is wrong:
- 17. **Then both** the
- men, between whom

the controversy is.

- shall stand before the
- LORD, before the priests and the judges, which
 - shall be in those days:
- 18. And the judges
- shall make diligent
- inquisition: and, behold,
- if the witness be a
- false witness, and hath testified falsely against his brother:
- 19. Then shall ye do unto him, as he had thought
- to have done unto
 - his brother: so shalt thou put the evil away from among you. 20. And those which remain shall hear, and fear, and shall henceforth commit no more any such evil among you.
 - 21. And thine eve

- shall not pity; but
- life shall go for life.
- eye for eye, tooth for tooth, hand for
- hand, foot for foot.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. When thou goest out to battle against thine enemies, and seest horses, and chariots, and a people more than thou, be not afraid of them: for the LORD thy God is with thee, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt. And it shall be.
- when ve are come niah
- unto the battle, that
- the priest shall approach and speak unto the people.
 - And shall say unto them, Hear. O Israel, ye approach this day unto battle against your enemies:
- let not your hearts faint, fear not, and do not tremble, neither be ve terrified because of them;
- 4. For the LORD your
 - God is he that
- goeth with you, to fight for you against your enemies, to save you.
- 5 And the officers
- shall speak unto the people, saying,
- What man is there that hath built a new
- house, and hath not
- dedicated it? let him go and
- return to his house. lest he die in the battle, and
- another man dedicate it.
- 6. And what man is he that hath planted a vineyard,
- and hath not vet
- eaten of it? let him also go and
- return unto his house, lest he die in the battle, and another man eat of it
- 7. And what man is there that hath betrothed a wife, and hath not
- taken her? let him go and
 - return unto his house.
- lest he die in the battle.

and another man take her.

8. And the officers shall speak further unto the people, and they shall say. What

shall say, Who

is fearful and

fainthearted? let him go and return unto his house.

lest his brethren's heart faint as well as his heart.

9. And it shall be.

when the officers have

made an end of

speaking unto the people that they shall make captains

of the armies to lead the people.

■ 10. When thou comest night unto a city to fight

against it, then proclaim
peace unto it.

11 And it shall be

If it make thee answer

of peace, and open unto thee, then it shall be, that

all the people that is found therein shall be tributaries

unto thee, and they shall serve thee.

■ 12. And if it will make

no peace with thee, but will make war against thee,

then thou shalt besiege if:

13. And when the

■ LORD thy God

hath delivered it into thine hands, thou shalt smite

every male thereof with the edge of the sword:

14. But the women, and

■ the little ones, and

■ the cattle, and all that

is in the city, even all the spoil thereof.

shalf thou take unto thyself;

and thou shalt eat the spoil of thine enemies, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.

■ 15. Thus shalt thou

do unto all the

■ cities which are very

far off from thee, which are not of the cities of these nations.

16. But of the cities of these people.

which the LORD thy

God doth give thee for an inheritance, thou shalt save alive nothing

save alive nothing that breatheth:

■ 17. But thou shalt utterly

destroy them; namely, the Hittites, and the Amorites, the Canaanites, and the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites; as the LORD thy God hath commanded thee:

■ 18. That they teach you ■ not to do after all their

not to do after all their abominations, which they have done unto their gods; so should ye sin against the LORD your God.

19. When thou shalt besiege

a city a long time, in making war against it to take it,

thou shalf not destroy
the trees thereof by forcing
an axe against them:

for thou mayest eat
of them, and thou shalt not
cut them down (for the tree
of the field is man's life) to
employ them in the siege:

■ 20. **Only** the

trees which thou knowest that they

be not trees for meat, thou
 shalt destroy and cut them
 down: and thou shalt build bulwarks

down; and thou shalt build bulwarks against the city that maketh war with thee, until it be subdued.

CHAPTER 21

 I If one be found slain in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee to possess it. lying

in the field, and it be not known

who hath slain him:

who hath slain him:2. Then thy elders and thy

judges shall come forth, and they

shall measure unto the cities which *are* round

■ about him that is slain:

■ 3. **And** it shall be, that

the city which is

■ next unto the slain man,

hast a desire unto her

DEUTERONOMY 21 even the elders of that city shall take an heifer. which hath not been wrought with, and which hath not drawn in the voke: 4. And the elders of that city shall bring down the heifer unto a rough valley, which is neither eared nor sown, and shall strike off the heifer's neck there in the valley: 5. And the priests the sons of Levi shall come near: for them the LORD thy God hath chosen to minister unto him, and to bless in the name of the LORD: and by their word shall every controversy and every stroke be tried: 6. And all the elders of that city. that are next unto the slain man. shall wash their hands over the heifer that is beheaded in the valley: 7. And they shall answer and say, Our hands have not shed this blood. neither have our eyes seen it. 8. Be merciful. O LORD. unto thy people Israel, whom thou hast redeemed. and lay not innocent ■ blood unto thy people of ■ Israel's charge. And the blood shall be forgiven them. 9. So shalt thou put away the *guilt of* innocent **blood** from among you, when thou shalt do that which is right in the sight of the LORD. ■ 10. When thou goest forth ■ to war against thine

enemies, and the LORD

■ hast taken them captive,

a beautiful woman, and

thy God hath delivered them

into thine hands, and thou

11. And seest among

the captives

that thou wouldest have her to thy wife: 12. Then thou shalt bring her home to thine house, and she shall shave her head, and pare her nails: 13. And she shall put the raiment of her captivity from off her, and shall remain in thine house, and bewail her father and her mother a full month; and after that thou shalt go in unto her, and be her husband, and she shall be thy wife. 14. And it shall be. if thou have no delight in her, then thou shalt let her ao whither she will: but thou shalt not sell her at all for money, thou shalt not make merchandise of her. because thou hast humbled her. 15. If a man have two wives. one beloved, and another hated, and they have born him children, both the beloved and the hated: and if the firstborn son be hers that was hated: 16. Then it shall be, when he maketh his sons to inherif that which he hath, that he may not make the son of the beloved firstborn before the son of the hated, which is indeed the firstborn: 17. But he shall acknowledge the son of the hated for the firstborn, by giving him a double portion of all that he hath: for he is the beginning of his strength; the right of the firstborn is his. 18. If a man have stubborn and rebellious son, which will not obey the voice of his father. or the voice of his mother, and that, when they have chastened

him, will not hearken

■ 19. Then shall his

■ father and his

mother lay hold on him, and

bring him out

unto the elders of his city, and unto the gate of his place:

20. And they shall say

unto the elders of his city, This our son is stubborn and

rebellious, he will not obey our voice:

he is a glutton, and

■ 21. **And** all

■ the men of his city

shall stone him with stones, that he die: so shalt thou put evil away from among you; and all Israel shall hear, and fear.

■ 22. And if a man have

committed a sin worthy of death, and he be to be put to death,

and thou hang him on a tree:

23. His body shall not remain all night upon the tree, but

thou shalt in any wise

bury him that day; (for he that is hanged *is* accursed of God;) that thy land be not defiled, which the LOAD thy God giveth thee *for* an inheritance.

CHAPTER 22

1. Thou shalt not see thy brother's ox or his sheep go astray, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt in any case bring them again unto thy brother.
2. And if thy brother be not nigh unto thee.

or if thou know him

■ **not**, then thou shalt

bring it unto thine own house, and it shall be with thee

■ until thy brother seek

■ after it, and thou shalt

restore it to him again.

3. In like manner shalt

thou do with his ass; and so shalt thou do with his raiment; and
 with all lost thing of
 thy brother's, which he

thy brother's, which he hath lost, and thou hast found, shalt thou do likewise: thou mayest not hide thyself.

4. Thou shalt not see thy brother's ass or his oxfall down by the way, and hide thyself from them: thou shalt surely help him to lift them up again.

5. The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so are

abomination unto the LORD thy God.

6. If a bird's nest chance to
be before thee in the way

in any tree, or on the ground,
whether they be young
ones, or eggs, and the
dam sitting upon the young,
or upon the eggs, thou
shalt not take the dam with

■ the young:

7. But thou shalt in any wise
let the dam go, and take
the young to thee; that it may be well with thee, and that thou mayest prolong thy days.
8. When thou buildest a new

house, then thou shalt
make a battlement for
thy roof, that thou bring

not blood upon thine
house, if any man fall from thence

house, if any man fall from thence.

Thou shall not sow

thy vineyard with divers
 seeds: lest the fruit of thy seed which thou hast sown, and
 the fruit of thy vineyard.

■ be defiled.

10. Thou shalt not plow withan ox and an ass together.

11. Thou shalt not weara garment of divers

sorts, as of

woollen and linen together.

12. Thou shalt make thee

12. Thou shalt make thee
 fringes upon the four
 quarters of thy vesture,

wherewith thou coverest thyself.

- 13. If any man take a wife, and go in unto her,
- and hate her.
 - 14. And give occasions of speech against her, and bring up an evil name upon her,
- and say. I took this
- woman, and when I came to her.
 - found her not a maid:
- 15. Then shall the father of the damsel
- and her
- mother, take and bring forth the tokens of the damsel's
- virginity unto the elders of the city in the gate:
- 16. And the damsel's
- father shall say unto the elders,
- I gave my daughter unto this man to wife.
- and he hateth her:
- 17. **And.** lo. he
- hath aiven occasions of speech against her, saving. I found not thy daughter

a maid; and yet these are the tokens of my daughter's virginity.

- And they shall spread the cloth before the elders of the city.
- 18. And the elders of that city shall take that man and chastise him:
- 19. And they shall
- amerce him in an hundred shekels of silver, and give them unto the father of the

damsel, because he hath brought up an evil name upon a virgin of Israel: and she shall be his wife:

- he may not put her **QWQV** all his days.
- 20. But if this thing be true, and the tokens of virginity be
- not found for the damsel: 21. Then they shall bring out
- the damsel to the door of her father's house, and the men of her city shall stone
 - her with stones that she die: because she hath wrought folly in Israel, to play the whore in her father's house: so shalt thou

put evil away from among you.

- 22. If a man be found lying with a woman
- married to an husband.
- then they shall both of them
 - die, both the man that lay with the woman, and the woman; so shalt thou put away evil from Israel.
- 23. If a damsel that is
- a virgin be betrothed unto an husband, and a man find her in the city, and
- lie with her:
- 24. Then ye shall bring them both out unto the gate of that city, and ye shall
- stone them with stones that they die; the damsel, because she cried not, being in the city; and the man, because he hath humbled his neighbour's wife: so thou shalt put away evil from among you.
- 25. But if a man find a
- betrothed damsel in the field, and the man
 - force her, and lie with her:
- then the man only
 - that lav with her shall die.
- 26 But unto the damsel thou shalt
- do nothing; there is in the damsel no sin worthy of death: for as when a man riseth against his neighbour, and slaveth him, even so is this matter:
 - For he found her in the field. and the betrothed damsel cried. and there was none to save her.
- 28. If a man find a damsel that is a virgin, which is not
- betrothed, and lay hold on
 - her, and lie with her, and they be found:
- 29. Then the man that lay with her
- shall give unto
- the damsel's
- father fifty shekels of silver. and she shall be his wife:

because he hath humbled her, he may not put her away all his days.

- 30. A man shall not take
- his father's wife, nor

I discover his father's skirt.

CHAPTER 23

- 1 1. He that is wounded in
 - the stones, or hath
- his privy member cut
- off, shall not enter into the congregation
- of the LORD.
- 2. A bastard shall not enter into the congregation of the LORD;
 - even to his tenth generation shall he not enter into the congregation of the LORD.
- 3. An Ammonite or Moabite shall not enter into the

congregation of the LORD: even to their tenth generation shall they not enter into the congregation of the LORD for ever:

- 4. Because they met you not with bread and with
- water in the way.
- when ye came forth
- out of Egypt; and because
 - they hired against thee
- **Balaam** the son of Beor of Pethor of Mesopotamia.
- to curse thee.
 - 5. Nevertheless the LORD thy God would not hearken unto Balaam; but the LORD thy God turned the curse into a blessing unto thee, because the LORD thy God loved thee.
 - 6. Thou shalt not seek their peace nor their prosperity all thy days for ever.
- 7. Thou shalt not abhor an Edomite; for he is thy
- brother: thou shalt not abhor an Egyptian; because thou wast a stranger in his land.
 - 8. The children that are begotten of them shall enter into the congregation of the LORD in their third generation.
- 9. When the host goeth forth against thine enemies, then keep thee
- from every wicked thing.
 - 10. If there be among you
- any man, that is not clean by reason of uncleanness that chanceth him by night,
- I then shall he go abroad

- out of the camp, he shall not come within the camp
- 11. But it shall be.

when evening cometh on, he shall wash himself with water:

- and when the sun is down, he shall come into the camp *again*.
- 12. Thou shalf have a place also without the camp,
 - whither thou shalt go forth abroad:
- 13. And thou shalt have
- a paddle upon thy
- weapon; and it shall be, when thou wilt ease thyself
- abroad, thou shalt dig therewith, and
 - shalt turn back and
 - cover that which
- cometh from thee:
 - 14. For the LORD thy God
 - walketh in the midst of
 - thy camp, to deliver thee, and to give up thine enemies before thee;
- therefore shall thy camp be holy: that he see no unclean
 - thing in thee, and turn away from thee.
 - 15 Thou shalt not
 - deliver unto his master the servant which is
- escaped from his master
 - unto thee:
 - He shall dwell with thee. even among you, in that place which he shall choose in one of thy gates, where it liketh him best:
- thou shalt not oppress him.
- 17. There shall be no whore of the daughters
- of Israel, nor a sodomite
- of the sons of Israel.
- 18. Thou shalt not bring the hire of a whore, or the price of a dog, into the house
- of the LORD thy God
- for any vow: for even both these are abomination
- unto the LORD thy God. 19. **Thou shalt not lend** upon usury to thy
- brother; usury of money, usury of victuals, usury of

any thing that is lent upon usury:

20. Unto a stranger thou
mayest lend upon usury;
but unto thy brother thou shalt not
lend upon usury: that the LORD thy
God may bless thee in all that thou
settest thine hand to in the land

whither thou goest to possess it.

- 21. When thou shalt
- VOW a vow
- unto the LORD thy
- God, thou shalt not slack to pay it: for the LORD thy God will surely require it of thee; and it would be sin in thee.
- 22. But if thou shalt forbear to vow, it shall be no sin in thee.
- 23. That which is gone out of thy lips thou shalt keep and perform; even a freewill offering, according as thou hast vowed unto the LORD thy God, which thou hast promised with thy mouth.
- 24. When thou comest into thy neighbour's

■ vineyard, then

thou mayest eat grapes thy fill at thine own pleasure:

- | **but** thou
- shalt not put any in
- thy vessel.
- 25. When thou comest
- into the standing
- corn of thy neighbour, then
- thou mayest pluck
- the ears with thine hand;
- **but** thou

shalt not move a sickle unto thy neighbour's standing corn.

CHAPTER 24

- I 1. When a man hath taken
- **a wife**, and married her,
- and it come to pass that
- she find no favour in his
- eves, because he hath
- found some
- uncleanness in her:
- then let him write her
- a bill of divorcement,

and give it in her hand, and send her out of his house.

- | 2. And when she is
- departed out of his house,
- she may go and
- be another man's wife.
- 3. And if the latter husband hate her, and write her
- hate her, and write her
 a bill of divorcement,
 - and giveth it in her hand, and sendeth her out of his house:
- or if the latter husband
 die. which took her to be his wife:
- 4. Her former husband, which sent her away.
- may not take her
- again to be his wife, after that
 she is defiled; for that is
 abomination before the LORD:
 and thou shalt not cause the
 - land to sin, which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance.
- 5. When a man hath
- taken a new
- wife, he shall not go out
- to war, neither shall he
- be charged with any
 - **business**: **but** he
- shall be free at home
 - one year, and shall
- I cheerup
- his wife which he hath taken.
- 6. No man shall take
- the nether or the upper
- millstone to pledge: for he taketh a man's life to pledge.
- 7. If a man be
- **found stealing** any of
- his brethren of the children of Israel.
- and maketh merchandise of him, or
- selleth him; then that thief shall die; and thou shalt
- put evil away from among you.
- 8. Take heed in the plague of leprosy, that thou
- observe diligently,
- and do according
 to all that the priests
 - to all that the prie
 - the Levites shall
- teach you: as I commanded them, so ye shall observe to do.
 - Remember what the LORD thy God did unto Miriam by the way, after that ve were come forth out of Egypt.

- 10 When thou dost lend thy brother any thina.
- thou shalt not go into his house to fetch his pledge.
 - 11. Thou shalt stand abroad, and

the man to whom thou dost lend

shall bring out

the pledge abroad unto thee.

12 And if the man be = poor, thou shalt not

sleep with his pledge:

13. In any case

thou shalt deliver him

the pledge again

when the sun goeth down,

that he may sleep in his own raiment, and bless thee; and it shall be righteousness unto thee

before the LORD thy God. 14. Thou shalt not oppress an hired servant that

is poor and needy.

whether he be

of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that are in thy land

within thy gates:

15. At his day

thou shalf give him his hire, neither shall the sun

go down upon it; for he is poor, and setteth his heart upon it:

lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee. 16. The fathers shall not

be put to death for the children, neither shall the

children be put to death for the fathers: every man

shall be put to death for his own sin. 17. Thou shalt not pervert the

judgment of the

stranger, nor of

the fatherless; nor take a widow's raiment to pledge:

18. But thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in Egypt, and the LORD thy God redeemed thee thence: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

19. When thou cuttest down

■ I thine harvest in thy field.

and hast forgot a

sheaf in the field.

thou shalt not go again to fetch it: it shall be for the stranger.

for the fatherless, and for the widow: that the LORD thy God may bless thee in all the work of thine hands.

20. When thou beatest thine olive tree, thou shalt not go over the boughs again: it

shall be for the stranger, for the fatherless, and for the widow.

21. When thou gatherest the

grapes of thy vineyard,

thou shalt not alean if afterward:

if shall be for the

stranger, for the

fatherless, and for the widow.

22. And thou shalt remember that thou wast a bondman in the land of Egypt: therefore I command thee to do this thing.

CHAPTER 25

If there be a

confroversy between men, and they come unto judgment, that

the judges may judge them; then they

shall justify the righteous, and condemn the wicked.

2. And it shall be.

if the wicked man be worthy to be beaten, that

the judge shall cause him to lie down, and to be beaten before his face, according to his fault. by a certain number.

Forty stripes he may give him, and not exceed: lest, if he should exceed, and beat him

above these with many stripes, then thy brother should seem vile unto thee.

4. Thou shalt not muzzle the ox when he treadeth out the corn.

If brethren dwell

together, and one of them

die, and have no child,

the wife of the dead

- shall not marry without unto a stranger: her husband's brother shall go in unto her, and take her to him
- to wife, and perform the duty of an husband's
- brother unto her.
 - 6 And it shall be
- that the firstborn which she heareth
- shall succeed in the name of his brother which is dead, that his name be not put out of Israel.
- 7. And if the man like not to take his brother's wife, then let his brother's wife **GO** up to the gate
- unto the elders, and say, My husband's brother

refuseth to raise up unto his brother a name in Israel, he

- will not perform the duty of my husband's brother.
- 8. Then the elders of his city shall call him, and
- speak unto him: and

if he stand to it, and

say, I like not to take her: Then shall his brother's

- wife come unto him in the presence of the elders, and
- loose his shoe from off his foot. and spit in his face.

and shall answer

and say. So shall it be done unto that man that will not build up his brother's house.

10. And his name shall be called in Israel.

The house of him that hath his shoe loosed.

- 11. When men strive together one with another.
- and the wife of the
- One draweth near for to
- deliver her husband
- out of the hand of

him that smiteth him, and putteth forth her hand.

- and taketh him
- by the secrets:
 - 12. Then thou shalt
 - cut off her hand, thine

eve shall not pity her.

13 Thou shalt not

have in thy bag divers weights, a

- great and a small. 14 Thou shalt not
- have in thine house
 - divers measures, a great and a small.
- 15. But thou shalt have
- a perfect and
 - just weight, a perfect and just
- - measure shall thou have: that thy days may be lengthened in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee. 16. For all that do such things, and all that do unrighteously, are an abomination unto the LORD thy God. 17. Remember what Amalek did. unto thee by the way, when ye were come forth out of Egypt: 18. How he met thee by the way. and smote the hindmost of thee. even all that were feeble behind. thee, when thou wast faint and
 - weary: and he feared not God. 19. Therefore it shall be, when the LORD thy God hath given thee rest from all thine enemies round about, in the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance to

possess it. that thou shalt blot out the remembrance of Amalek from under heaven; thou shalt not forget it.

CHAPTER 26

- And it shall be.
- when thou art come in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee for an inheritance, and possessest it, and dwellest therein: That thou shalt
- take of the first of all the fruit of the earth, which thou shalt bring of thy land that the LORD thy God giveth thee,
- and shall
- put it in a basket, and shall go unto the place which the LORD thy God shall choose to place his name there.
- 3. And thou shalt

go unto the priest that shall be in those days.

- and say unto him.
- I profess this day
- unto the LORD thy God.
- that I am come unto the
 - **country** which the LORD sware unto our fathers for to give us.
 - 4. And the priest shall take the basket out of thine hand, and set it down

before the altar of the LORD thy God.

upon us hard bondage:

- 5. And thou shalt speak and say before the LORD thy God, A Syrian ready to perish was my father, and he went down into Egypt, and sojourned there with a few, and became there a nation, great, mighty, and populous: 6. And the Egyptians evil entreated us, and afflicted us, and laid
- 7. And when we cried unto the LORD God of our fathers, the LOBD heard our voice, and looked on our affliction. and our labour, and our oppression:
- 8. And the LORD brought us forth out of Egypt with a mighty hand, and with an outstretched arm. and with great terribleness, and with signs, and with wonders:
- 9. And he hath brought us into this place, and hath given us this land, even a land that floweth with milk and honey.
- 10. And now, behold, I have brought the firstfruits of the land, which thou. O LORD, hast given me. And thou shalt set it before the LORD thy God, and worship before the LORD thy God:
- 11. And thou shalt rejoice in every good thing which the LORD thy God hath given unto thee, and unto thine house, thou, and the Levite, and the stranger that is among you.
- 12. When thou hast made ■ an end of tithing all the tithes of thine increase
- the third year, which is the year of tithing.
- and hast given it unto the ■ Levite, the stranger, the

fatherless, and the widow, that they may eat within thy gates, and be filled: 13. Then thou shalt say before the LORD thy God. I have brought away the hallowed things out of mine house, and also have given them unto the Levite, and unto the stranger, to the fatherless, and to the widow, according to all thy

commanded me: I have not transgressed thy commandments.

commandments which thou hast

neither have I forgotten them.

- 14 I have not eaten thereof in my mourning, neither
 - have I taken away
- auaht thereof
 - for *any* unclean *use*, nor given aught thereof
- for the dead: but I have hearkened to the voice of the LORD my God, and have done according to all that thou hast commanded me.
- 15 Look down from thy holy habitation.
- from heaven, and
- bless thy people

- Israel, and the land which thou hast given us, as thou swarest unto our fathers, a land that floweth with milk and honey. 16. This day the LORD thy God
 - hath commanded thee to do these statutes and judgments: thou shalt therefore keep and do them with all thine heart, and with all thy soul. 17. Thou hast avouched the
- **LORD** this day to be thy God, and to walk in his ways, and to keep his statutes, and his commandments, and his judgments, and to hearken unto his voice:
- 18. And the LORD hath avouched thee this day to be his peculiar people,
 - as he hath promised thee. and that thou shouldest keep all his commandments:
- 19. And to make thee high above all nations which he

hath made, in praise, and in name, and in honour; and that thou mayest be an holy people unto the LORD thy God, as he hath spoken.

CHAPTER 27

- And Moses with the elders of Israel commanded the people, saying, Keep all the commandments which I command you this day.
- 2. And if shall be on the day when
- ye shall
 pass over Jordan unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, that
- thou shalt set thee
- up great stones, and plaster:
- 3. And thou shalt
- write upon them all
 - the words of this law, when thou art passed over, that thou mayest go in unto the land which the LORD thy God giveth thee, a land that floweth with milk and honey; as the LORD God of thy fathers hath promised thee.
 - 4. Therefore it shall be when ye be gone over Jordan, that
- ye shall set up these stones, which I
- command you this day,
 in mount Ebal, and thou shalt
- plaster them with plaster.

 5. And there shalf
- thou build an altar unto the LORD thy God,
- an altar of stones: thou
 shalt not lift up any
 iron tool upon them.
- 6. Thou shalt build the altar of the LORD thy God of whole stones:
- and thou shalt offer
 burnt offerings thereon
 unto the LORD thy God:
 - 7. And thou shalt offer
- peace offerings, and shalteat there, and rejoice
- before the LORD thy God.
- 8. And thou shalt
 - write upon the stones

this law very plainly.

- And Moses and the priests the Levites spake unto all Israel, saying, Take heed, and hearken, O Israel; this day thou art become the people of the LORD thy God.
- 10. Thou shalt therefore obey the voice of the LORD thy God, and do his commandments and his statutes, which I command thee this day.
- 11. And Moses charged the people the same day,
 sqving.
- 12. These shall stand upon mount Gerizim to blessthe people.

when ye are come over Jordan;

- Simeon, and
- Levi, and Judgh. and
- Issachar, and
- Joseph, and Benjamin:
- 13. And these shall stand ■ upon mount Ebal to curse;
- Reuben, Gad, and
- Asher, and
- Zebulun, Dan, ■ and Naphtali.
- 14. And the Levites
- shall speak, and
- say unto all the men of
- Israel with a loud voice,
 15. Cursed be the man that
- maketh any graven or molten image, an abomination unto the LORD, the work of the hands of the craftsman, and putteth it in a secret place. And all the people shall answer and say. Amen.
- 16. Cursed be he that setteth light
- by his father or his mother And all the
 - mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.

- 17. Cursed be he that removeth his neighbour's
 - landmark. And all the people shall say, Amen.
- 18. Cursed be he that ■ maketh the blind to
- wander out of the way. And all the people shall say, Amen.
 - 19 Cursed be he that

perverteth the judgment of the stranger, fatherless, and widow. And all the people shall say, Amen.

- 20. Cursed be he that lieth
 - with his father's wife; because he uncovereth his father's skirt. And all the people shall say, Amen.
- 21. Cursed be he that lieth with any manner of
- **beast**. And all the people shall say. Amen.
- 22. Cursed be he that
- lieth with his sister, the daughter of his father,
- Of the daughter of his mother. And all the people shall say, Amen.
 Cursed be be that light with
- his mother in law. And all the people shall say, Amen.
- 24 Cursed be he that
- smiteth his neighbour secretly. And all the people
- shall say, Amen.
 25. Cursed be he that taketh reward to slay an innocent
- person. And all the people shall say. Amen
- 26 Cursed be he that
- confirmeth not all
- the words of this law to do them. And all the
- people shall say, Amen.

CHAPTER 28

- 1. And it shall come to pass,
- if thou shalt
- hearken diligently
- unto the voice of the LORD

thy Gcd, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

2. And all

- these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God.
- 3. Blessed shalf thou
- **be in the city, and** blessed shalt thou be in the
- field.

- 4. Blessed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of
- thy ground, and the fruit of thy cattle, the increase of thy kine, and the flocks of thy sheep.
 - 5. Blessed shall be
- thy basket and thy store.
- 6. Blessed shalf thou
 be when thou comest
 in, and blessed shalf thou

be when thou goest out.

goest out.
7. The LORD shall
cause thine enemies

that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy

- to be smitten before the
 face: they shall come
 out against thee one
 way, and flee before
 - thee seven ways.
- 8. The LORD shall command the blessing upon thee in thy storehouses.

and in all that

- thou settest thine
 hand unto; and he shall
 bless thee in the land which
 the LORD thy God giveth thee.
- 9. The LORD shall establish thee an holy people

unto himself, as he hath sworn unto thee, if thou shalt keep the commandments of the LORD thy God, and walk in his ways.

- 10. And all people of the earth shall see that thou art called by the name of the LORD;
 and they shall
- be afraid of thee.
- 11. And the LORD shall
 make thee plenteous in
 goods, in the fruit of thy
- **body**, and in the fruit of
- thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy ground,
 - in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers to give thee.
 - 12. The LORD shall open unto thee his good

treasure, the heaven to give the rain unto thy land in his season, and to bless all the work of thine hand: and thou shalf lend unto many nations

■ and thou shalt

not borrow.

■ 13. And the LORD shall

make thee the head, and not the tail; and thou shalt

be above only, and thou shalt not be beneath: if that

not be beneath; if that thou hearken unto the

commandments of the LORD thy God, which I command thee this day, to observe and to do *them:*

■ 14. **And** thou shalt

not go aside from any of the words which I

command thee this day, to the right hand, or to the left, to go after other gods to serve them.

15. **But** it shall come to pass, if thou wilt not hearken

unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe to do all his commandments and his statutes which I command thee this day; that all these curses shall come upon thee and overtake thee:

■ 16. Cursed shalf thou be in the city, and cursed shalf thou be in the

field.

■ 17. Cursed shall be thy basket and thy store.

18. Cursed shall be the fruit of thy body, and the fruit of thy

land, the increase of thy

kine, and the flocks of thysheep.

■ 19. Cursed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and

cursed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

20. The LORD shall send upon thee

cursing, vexation, and

rebuke, in all that thou settest thine hand unto for to do, until thou be destroyed, and until thou perish quickly; because of the wickedness of thy doings, whereby thou hast forsaken me.

■ 21. The LORD shall make the pestilence cleave

unto thee, until he have consumed thee from off the land, whither thou goest to possess it.

22. The LORD shall smite thee with a

Consumption, and with a fever, and with an inflammation, and with an extreme burning, and with the sword, and with blasting, and with mildew; and they shall pursue thee until thou perish.

23. And thy heaven that is over thy head

shall be brass, and the earth that is under thee shall be

24. The LORD shall make the rain of thy land powder and dust: from heaven shall it

and dust: from heaven shall it come down upon thee, until thou be destroyed.

25. The LORD shall cause thee to be smitten before thine enemies: thou shalt go out one way against them, and flee seven ways before them: and shalt be removed into all the kindoms of the earth.

■ 26. And thy carcase shall be meat unto

■ all fowls of the air,

■ and unto the

beasts of the earth, and no man shall fray them away.

■ 27. The LORD will smite thee with the botch of

■ Egypt, and with the

emerods, and with the scab, and with the

itch, whereof thou

canst not be healed.
28 The LORD shall smite

■ 28. The LORD shall smite thee with madness,

and blindness, and astonishment of heart:

29. And thou shalf grope at noonday, as the blind gropeth

in darkness, and thou

313 shalt not prosper in thy ways; and thou shalt be only copressed and spoiled evermore. and no man shall save thee. 30. Thou shalt betroth a wife, and another man shall lie with her: thou shalt build an house. and thou shall not dwell therein: thou shalt plant a vineyard, and shalt ø not gather the grapes thereof. 31. Thine ox shall be slain before thine eyes. and thou shalt not eat thereof: thine ass shall be violently taken away from before thy face, and shall not be restored to thee: thy sheep shall be given unto thine enemies, and thou shall have none to rescue them. 32. Thy sons and thy daughters shall be given unto another people, and thine eyes shall look, and fail with longing for them all the day long; and there shall be no might in thine hand. 33. The fruit of thy ■ land, and all thy labours. shall a nation which thou knowest not eat up; and thou shalt be only oppressed and crushed alway: 34. So that thou shalt be mad for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see 35. The LORD shall smite thee in the knees, and in the leas, with a sore botch that cannot be healed, from the sole of thy foot unto the top of thy head. 36 The LORD shall bring thee, and thy king which thou shalt set over thee. unto a nation which neither

thou nor thy fathers have

known; and there shalt

thou serve other gods.

wood and stone

37. And thou shalt become an astonishment. a proverb, and a byword. amona all nations whither the LORD shall lead thee. 38. Thou shalt carry much seed out into the field, and shalt gather but little in; for the locust shall consume it. 39. Thou shalt plant vineyards, and dress them, **but** shalt neither drink of the wine, nor aather the arapes: for the worms shall eat them 40. Thou shalt have olive trees throughout all thy coasts, but thou shalt not anoint thyself with the oil: for thine olive

41. Thou shalt beget sons and daughters, but thou shalt not enjoy them; for they shall go into captivity. 42. All thy trees and fruit of thy land shall the locust consume. 43. The stranger that is within thee shall get up above thee very high: and thou shalt come down very low. 44. He shall lend to thee, and thou shalt not lend to him; he shall be the head, and thou shalt be the tail.

shall cast his fruit.

45. Moreover all these curses shall come upon thee, and shall pursue thee, and overtake thee, till thou be destroyed: because thou hearkenedst not unto the voice of the LORD thy

God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which he commanded thee:

46. And they shall be upon thee for a sign and for a wonder. and upon thy seed for ever.

47. Because thou servedst not the LORD thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all things; 48. Therefore shalt thou

- serve thine enemies which the LORD shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all things: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.
- 49. The LORD shall bring a nation against thee from
 - for, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand;
- 50. A nation of fierce
 countenance, which
 shall not regard the
 person of the old, nor
 shew favour to the young:
 - 51. **And** he
- shall eat the
- **fruit** of thy cattle, and the fruit
- of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which also shall not leave thee either corn, wine, or oil, or the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he
- have destroyed thee.

 52. And he shall
- besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced
- walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all
 - in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee.
- 53. And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body,
- the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the LORD thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee:
 54. So that
- the man *that* is tender
- among you, and very delicate,
 his eye shall be evil toward
 his brother, and toward the
- Wife of his bosom,
- and toward the remnant of
- his children which he shall leave:
- 55. So that he will not give to any of

- I them of
- the flesh of his children
- whom he shall eat: because he hath nothing left him in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee in all thy gates.
- 56. The tender and delicate
 woman among you, which would not adventure to set the sole of her foot upon the ground for delicateness and tenderness, her eye
- shall be evil toward
 the husband of her
- the husband of her bosom, and toward
- her son, and toward her daughter.
 - 57. And toward her young one that cometh out from between her feet, and toward her children which she shall bear:
- for she shall eat them for want of all things secretly in the siege and straitness, wherewith thine enemy shall distress thee in thy gates.
- 58. If thou wilt not observe to
- this law that are written in this book.
- that thou mayest fear this glorious and fearful name.
- this glorious and fearful name
 THE LORD THY GOD:
- 59. Then the LORD will make thy plagues wonderful,
- and the plagues of thy seed, even great plagues, and
- of long continuance, and sore sicknesses, and of long continuance.
 60. Moreover he will bring
- upon thee all the diseases
 of Egypt, which thou wast afraid
 of; and they shall cleave unto thee.
- 61. Also every sickness, and every plague, which is not written in the book of this law, them will the LORD bring upon thee.
- until thou be destroyed.
 62. And ye shall be left few in number, whereas ye were as the stars of heaven for multitude; because thou wouldest not obey the voice of the LORD thy God.
 - 63. And it shall come to pass, that

as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you

good, and to multiply you;

so the LORD will

rejoice over you to

destroy you, and to bring you to nought; and ye shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.

64. And the LORD shall
 scatter thee among all

people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone.

■ 65. And among these
■ nations shalt thou find no

ease, neither shall the sole of thy loot have rest; but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:

66. And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shall fear day and night, and shall have none assurance of thy life:

67. In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were
even! and at even thou
shalt say. Would God it

shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see

■ 68. And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt

again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there ye shall be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

CHAPTER 29

1. These are the wordsof the covenant, which the

LORD commanded Moses

■ to make with the children of Israel

■ in the land of

Moab, beside the

■ Covenant which

■ he made with them

■ in Horeb.

2. And Moses called unto
 all Israel, and said unto them,
 Ye have seen all that the

LORD did before your eyes in the land of Egypt unto Pharaoh, and unto all his servants, and unto all his land;

3. The great temptations which thine eyes have seen, the signs, and those great miracles:

4. Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.
 5. And I have led you forty

5. And I have led you forty years in the wilderness: your clothes are not waxen old upon you, and thy shoe is not waxen old upon thy foot.

 Ye have not eaten bread, neither have ye drunk wine or strong drink: that ye might know that I am the LORD your God.

7. And when ye came unto this place, Sihon the king of Heshbon.

and Og the king of Bashan, came out against us unto battle.

and we smote them:

8. And we took their land,
 and gave it for an inheritance
 unto the Reubenites, and to
 the Gadites,

and to the half tribe of Manasseh.

9. Keep therefore the words of this covenant, and do them.
that ye may prosper in all that ye do.

10. Ye stand this day all of you before the LORD your
 God: your captains of your tribes, your elders, and your officers, with all the men of Israel.

11. Your little ones, your wives, and thy stranger that *is* in thy camp, from the hewer of thy wood unto the drawer of thy water:

12. That thou shouldest enter into covenant with the LORD thy God, and into his oath, which the LORD thy God maketh with thee this day:

13. That he may establish

- thee to day for a people unto himself, and that he may be unto thee a God, as he hath said unto thee, and as he hath sworn unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob. 14. Neither with you only do I make this covenant and this oath: 15. But with him that standeth here with us this day before the LORD our God, and also with him that is
- not here with us this day: 16. (For ye know how we have dwelt in the land of Equpt; and how we came through the nations which ve passed by:
- 17. And ve have seen their abominations, and their idols. wood and stone, silver and gold, which were among them:)
- 18. Lest there should be among you man, or woman, or family, or tribe. whose heart turneth away this day from the LORD our God.
- to go and
- serve the gods of
 - these nations; lest there should be among you a root that beareth gall and wormwood:
- 19. And it come to pass,
- when he heareth the words of this curse, that he bless himself in his heart, saying. I shall have peace, though I walk in the imagination of mine heart, to add drunkenness to thirst:
- 20. The LORD will not spare him, but then the anger of the LORD and his jealousy shall smoke against that man, and all the curses that are written in this book shall lie upon him, and the LORD shall blot out his name from under heaven.
- 21. And the LORD shall separate him unto evil out of all the tribes of Israel, according to all the curses of the covenant that are written in this book of the law:
- 22. So that the generation to come of your children that shall rise up after you, and the stranger that shall come from a far land.
 - shall say, when they see

- the plagues of that land. and the sicknesses which the LORD hath laid upon it: 23 And that the whole land
- is brimstone, and salt. and burning.
- that it is not sown, nor
- beareth, nor any grass groweth therein, like the overthrow of Sodom. and Gomorrah, Admah, and Zeboim,
- which the LORD overthrew in his anger, and
- in his wrath:
- 24. Even all nations shall
- say, Wherefore hath the LORD done thus unto this
- land? what meaneth the heat of this great anger?
- 25. Then men shall say,
- Because they have
- forsaken the covenant of
 - the LORD God of their fathers. which he made with them when he brought them forth out of the land of Egypt:
 - 26. For they went and served other gods, and worshipped them, gods whom they knew not, and whom he had not given unto them:
 - 27. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against this land, to bring upon it all the curses that are written in this book:
 - 28. And the LORD rooted them out of their land in anger, and in wrath, and in great indignation, and cast them into another land, as it is this day.
- 29. The secret things belong
- unto the LORD our God:
- but those things which are revealed belong unto us
- and to our children for ever.
- that we may do all the words of
- |■| this law.

CHAPTER 30

- 1 1. And it shall come to
- pass, when all these
- things are come upon thee, the blessing and the curse.
- which I have set before thee, and
- thou shalt call them

to mind among all the nations, whither the

LORD thy God hath driven thee,

■ 2. And shalt return unto

■ the LORD thy God,

■ and shalt

obey his voice according to all that I command thee this day, thou and thy children, with all thine heart, and with all thy soul;

3. That

then the LORD thy God

will turn thy captivity, and have compassion upon thee, and will return and

gather thee from all the nations, whither the

LORD thy God hath scattered thee.

- 4. If any of thine be driven out unto the outmost parts of heaven, from thence will the LORD thy God gather thee, and from thence will be fetch thee:
- 5. And the LORD thy God will bring thee into the land which thy fathers
 possessed, and thou shalt

possessed, and thou shalt possess it; and he will do thee good, and multiply thee above thy fathers.

 6. And the LORD thy God
 will circumcise thine heart, and the heart of thy seed, to love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, that thou mayest live.

7. **And** the LORD thy God

will put all these curses
 upon thine enemies, and on them that hate thee, which persecuted thee.

8. And thou shalt returnand obey the voice of

the LORD, and do all his commandments which I command thee this day.

9. And the LORD thy Godwill make thee plenteous in every work of thine hand,

in the fruit of thy body, and in the fruit of thy cattle, and in the fruit of thy land, for good: for the LORD will again rejoice over thee for good, as he rejoiced over thy fathers:

10. If thou shalt hearken unto the

voice of the LORD thy God, to keep his commandments and his statutes which are written in this book of the law, and if thou turn unto the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul.

11. For this commandment which I command thee this day, it is not hidden from thee, neither is it far off.

12. It is not in heaven, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go up for us to heaven, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

13. Neither is it beyond the sea, that thou shouldest say, Who shall go over the sea for us, and bring it unto us, that we may hear it, and do it?

14. But the word is very nigh unto thee, in thy mouth, and in thy heart, that thou mayest do it.

15. See, I have set before thee this day life and good, and death and evil;

16. In that I command thee this day to love the LORD thy God, to walk in his ways, and to keep his commandments and his statutes and his judgments, that thou mayest live and multiply: and the LORD thy God shall bless thee in the land whither thou goest to possess it.

17. But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other

gods, and serve them;
18. I denounce unto

you this day,

that ye shall surely
 perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.

19. I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live:

20. **That thou mayest love the LORD** thy God, *and* that
thou mayest obey his voice, and

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that thou mayest cleave unto him:
for he is thy life, and the
length of thy days: that
thou mayest dwell in the land
which the LORD sware unto thy
fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac,
and to Jacob, to give them.

CHAPTER 31

- 1. And Moses went andspake these wordsunto all Israel.
- 2 And he
- said unto them.
- I am an hundred and twenty years old this day;
 I can no more go out and come in:
- also the LORD hath
- said unto me, Thou shalt not go over this
 - | Jorđan.
- 3. The LORD thy God, he will go over before
- thee. and he will
- destroy these nationsfrom before thee,

and thou shalt possess them:

- and Joshua, he
 - shall go over
- before thee, as
- the LORD hath
 - And the LORD shall do unto them as he did to Sihon and to Og, kings of the Amorites, and unto the land of them, whom he destroyed.
 - 5. And the LORD shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them according unto all the commandments which I have commanded you.
- 6. Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them:
- for the LORD thy God, he it is that
- doth go with thee;
 he will not fail thee.
- ne will not tail thee nor forsake thee.
- 7. And Moses called unto Joshua, and said unto him in the sight of all Israel.
- Be strong and of a good courage:
 for thou must go with this

- people unto the land which the LORD hath sworn unto their fathers to give them;
 and thou shalt cause
- them to inherit it.
 - 8. And the LORD, he it is that doth go before thee; he will be with thee, he will not fail thee, neither forsake thee: fear not, neither be dismayed.
- 9. And Moses wrote this law, and delivered it unto the priests the sons of Levi, which bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, and unto

all the elders of Israel

- 10. And Moses
- commanded them, saying,
 At the end of every seven
- years, in the solemnity of the year of release, in the feast of tabernacles,
 - 11. When all Israel is come to appear before the LORD thy God in the place which he shall choose,
- thou shalt read this law before all Israel

in their hearing.

- 12. Gather the people together, men and women, and children, and thy stranger that *is* within thy gates, that they may hear, and that they may learn, and fear the LORD your God, and observe to do all the words of this law:
- 13. And that their children, which have not known any thing, may hear, and learn to fear the LORD your God, as long as ye live in the land whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.
- 14. And the LORD said unto
 Moses, Behold, thy days
 approach that thou must
 die: call Joshua, and
 present yourselves in the
 tabernacle of the congregation.
- that I may give him a
- charge. And Moses and Joshua went, and presented themselves in the tabernacle of the congregation.
- 15. And the LORD appeared in the tabernacle in a pillar
- of a cloud: and the pillar of the cloud stood over the door of the tabernacle.

16. And the LORD said unto Moses, Behold, thou shalt sleep with thy

will rise up, and go a whoring after the gods of the strangers of the land, whither they go to be among them, and

fathers; and this people

will forsake me, and break my covenant which! have made with them.

17. Then my anger shall

be kindled against them in that day, and I will forsake them, and I will hide my face from them, and they shall be devoured, and many evils and troubles shall befall them; so that they will say in that day. Are not these evils come upon us, because our God is not among us?

18. And I will surely hide my face in that day for all the evils which they shall have wrought, in that they are

turned unto other gods.

19. **Now** therefore

■ | write ye

this song for you,

and teach it the children of Israel:
put it in their mouths, that
this song may be a witness
for me against the children of

■ Israel.

20. For when I shall have brought them into the land which I sware unto their fathers,

that floweth with milk and honey; and they shall have eaten and filled themselves, and waxen fat;

then will they turn unto other gods,

and serve them, and provoke me, and break my covenant.

21. **And** it shall come to pass, when many evils and troubles are befallen them, that

this song shall testify
against them as a witness; for it
shall not be forgotten out of the
mouths of their seed:

for I know their imagination which they go about, even now, before I have brought them into the land which I sware

22. Moses therefore
 wrote this song the same day,
 and taught it the children of

23. And he gave

Joshua the son of Nun

■ a charge, and said, Be strong and of a good

courage: for thou shalf bring the children of

■ Israel into the land

which I sware unto them: and I will be with thee.

24. And it came to pass,
when Moses had made an
end of writing the words of this
IQW in a book, until

law in a book, until they were finished.

■ 25. That Moses

commanded the Levites,

covenant of the LORD, saying, 26. **Take this book** of the law,

26. Take this book of the law and put if in the side of the ark of the covenant of the LORD

your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

27. For I know thy rebellion, and thy stiff neck: behold, while I am yet alive with you this day, ye have been rebellious against the LORD; and how much more after my death?

28. Gather unto me all

the elders of your tribes.

I and your

officers, that I may speak
these words in their

earth to record against them.

29. For I know that after my death

ye will utterly corrupt

yourselves, and turn aside from the way which I have commanded you:

and evil will befall you in the latter days:

because ye will do evil inthe sight of the LORD,

to provoke him to anger through the work of your hands.

30. And Moses spake in the ears of all the congregation of Israel

| ■ | the words of this sona. until they were ended.

CHAPTER 32

- Give ear. O ve heavens. and I will speak;
- and hear. O earth, the words of my mouth.
- 2. My doctrine shall drop
- as the rain, my speech shall distil as the dew, as the small rain upon the tender herb, and as the showers upon the grass:
- 3. Because I will publish
- the name of the LORD: ascribe ve greatness unto our God.
 - 4. He is the Rock.
- his work is perfect: for all his ways are judgment: a God of truth and without iniquity, just and right is he.
- 5. They have corrupted themselves, their spot is not the spot of his children: they are a perverse and crooked generation.
- 6. Do ye thus requite the LORD, O foolish people and unwise? is not he thy father that hath bought thee?
- hath he not made thee. and established thee?
- 7. Remember the days of old, consider the years of many generations: ask thy father, and he will shew thee; thy elders, and they will tell thee.
- 8. When the Most High divided to the nations their **inheritance**, when he separated the sons of Adam.
- he set the
- **bounds** of the people
- according to the number
- Of the children of Israel.
- 9. For the LORD'S portion
- is his people: Jacob is the lot of his inheritance.
- 10. He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; he led him about, he
- instructed him, he kept him as the apple of his eye.
 - 11. As an eagle stirreth up her nest,

- fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them. beareth them on her wings:
- 12. So the LORD alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him.
 - 13. He made him ride on the high places of the earth, that he might eat the increase of the fields; and he made him to suck honey out of the rock, and oil out of the flinty rock: 14. Butter of kine, and milk of sheep, with fat of lambs, and rams of the breed of Bashan, and goats, with the

fat of kidneys of wheat; and thou didst

- drink the pure blood of the grape. But Jeshurun waxed fat. and kicked: thou art waxen fat. thou art grown thick, thou art covered with fatness:
- then he forsook
- God which made him.
- and lightly esteemed the
- Rock of his salvation.
- 16. They provoked him to jealousy with strange
 - gods, with abominations provoked they him to anger.
- 17. They sacrificed unto devils, not to God; to gods whom they knew not, to new gods that came newly up, whom vour fathers feared not.
 - 18. Of the Rock that begat thee thou art unmindful, and hast forgotten God that formed thee.
- 19. And when
- the LORD saw it. he
- abhorred them, because of the provoking of his sons, and of his daughters.
- 20. **And** he
- said. I will hide my face
- from them. I will see what their end shall be: for they are a very froward generation, children in whom is no faith.
- 21. They have moved me to jealousy with that which is not God: they have provoked me to anger with their vanities; and I will move them to jealousy with those which are not a people; I will provoke them

to anger with a foolish nation.

22. For a fire is kindled in mine anger, and shall burn unto the lowest hell, and shall consume the earth with her increase, and set on fire the foundations of the mountains.

23. I will heap mischiefs upon them; I will spend mine arrows upon them.

24. They shall be burnt with hunger, and devoured with burning heat, and with bitter destruction: I will also send the teeth of beasts upon them, with

the poison of serpents of the dust. 25. The sword without, and terror within, shall destroy both the young man and the virgin, the suckling *also* with the man of gray hairs.

26. I said, I would scatter
 them into corners, I would
 make the remembrance of
 them to cease from among men;

27. Were it not that I feared the wrath of the enemy, lest

their adversaries should behave themselves strangely, and

lest they should say, Our
 hand is high, and the LORD
 hath not done all this.

28. For they *are* a nation void of counsel, neither *is there any* understanding in them.

understanding in them.

29. O that they were wise,

that they understood

this, that they would consider their latter end!

30. How should one chase a thousand, and two put ten thousand to

flight, except their Rock had sold them, and the LORD had shut them up?

31. For their rock is not as our Rock, even our enemies themselves being judges.

 32. For their vine is of the vine of Sodom, and of the fields of

■ Gomorrah: their grapes are grapes of gall, their clusters are bitter:

33. Their wine is the poison of dragons, and the cruel

venom of asps.

34. Is not this laid up in store with me, and sealed up among my treasures?35. To me belongeth

35. To me belongethvengeance and recompence;

their foot shall slide in due time: for the day of their calamity is at hand, and the things that shall

at hand, and the things that shall come upon them make haste.

36. For the LORD shall judge his people, and repent himself for his servants, when he seeth that their power is gone, and there is none shut up, or left.

37. And he shall say,

■ Where are their gods, their rock

■ in whom they trusted,

38. Which did eat the lat of their sacrifices, *and* drank the wine of their drink offerings? let them rise up and help you, *and* be your protection.

39. See now that I, even I, am he, and there is no god with me: I kill, and I make alive; I wound, and I heal: neither is there any that can deliver out of my hand.

40. For I lift up my hand to heaven, and say.

I live for ever.

41. If I whet my glittering sword, and mine hand take hold on judgment;

I will render vengeance to mine enemies, and will reward them that hate me.

42. I will make mine arrows drunk with blood, and my sword shall devour flesh; and that with the blood of the slain and of the captives, from the beginning of revenges upon the enemy.

43. Rejoice, O ye nations, with his people: for he will avenge the blood of his servants, and will render

servants, and will render vengeance to his adversaries, and will be merciful unto his land, and to his people.

44. And Moses came and spake all the words of

this song in the ears of

the people, he, and Hoshea the

son of Nun.

45. And Moses made an end of speaking all these words to all Israel:

46. And he

■ Set your hearts unto all the words which I testify among you this day, which ye shall command your children to observe to do,

all the words of this law.
47. For it is not a vain thing for you; because

it is your life: and through this thing ye shall prolong your days in the land, whither ye go over Jordan to possess it.

48. And the LORD spake unto Moses that self same day, saying,

49. Gef thee up into this mountain Abarim,

unto mount Nebo, which is in the land of Moab, that is over against Jericho;

and behold the land of Canaan, which I give

unto the children of

■ Israel for a possession:

50. And die in the mount whither thou goest up, and be gathered unto thy people; as Aaron thy brother died in mount Hor, and was gathered unto his people:

51. Because ye trespassed against me among the children of Israel

at the waters of
 Meribah-Kadesh, in the wilderness of Zin; because ye sanctified me not in the midst of the children of Israel.

■ 52. Yet thou shalt see

the land before thee;

■ **but** thou

shalt not go thither unto the land which I give the children of Israel

CHAPTER 33

1. **And** this is the blessing, wherewith

■ Moses the man of God

■ blessed the children of

Israel before his death.

2. **And** he

said, The LORD came from

Singi, and rose up from Seir unto them; he shined forth from mount Paran, and he came

with ten thousands of saints: from his right hand went a fiery law for them.

3. Yea, he loved the

people; all his saints are in thy hand: and they sat down at thy feet; every one shall receive of thy words.

4. Moses commanded us
 a law, even the inheritance of the congregation of Jacob.

5. And he was king in Jeshurun, when the heads of the people *and* the tribes of Israel were gathered together.

6. Let Reuben live, and not die;and let not his men be few.

7. And this is the blessing of Judah: and he said,

Hear, LORD, the voice of Judah, and bring him unto his people:

let his hands be sufficient for him; and be thou

■ an help to him

from his enemies.

8. And of Levi he said,
Let thy Thummim and thy
Urim be with thy holy

One, whom thou didst prove at Massah, and with whom thou didst strive at the waters of Meribah;

 Who said unto his father and to his mother, I have not seen him; neither did he acknowledge his brethren, nor knew his own children: for they have observed thy word, and kept thy covenant.

10. They shall teach
 Jacob thy judgments, and

■ Israel thy law: they shall put incense before thee,

and whole burnt

sacrifice upon thine altar.

11. Bless, LORD, his substance, and accept the work of his hands; smile through the loins of them that rise against him, and of them that hate him, that they rise not again.

12. And of Benjamin he said. The beloved of the LORD shall dwell in safety by him; and the Lord shall cover

him all the day long, and he shall dwell between his shoulders.

13 And of Joseph he said. **Blessed** of the LORD be his land, for the precious things of heaven, for the dew, and for

the deep that coucheth beneath. 14. And for the precious fruits brought forth by the sun, and for the precious things put forth by the moon,

15. And for the chief things of the ancient mountains, and for the precious things of the lasting hills.

16. And for the precious things of the earth and fulness thereof, and for the good will of him that dwelt in the bush: let the blessing come upon the head of Joseph, and upon the top of the head of him that was separated from his brethren.

17. His glory is like the firstling of his bullock, and his horns are like the horns of unicorns: with them

he shall push the people together to the ends of the earth: and

they *are* the ten thousands of Ephraim, and they are

the thousands of Manasseh.

18. And of Zebulun he said. Reioice, Zebulun, in thy going out; and, Issachar, in thy tents.

19. They shall call the people unto the mountain: there they shall offer sacrifices of

> righteousness: for they shall suck of the abundance of the seas. and of treasures hid in the sand. 20. And of Gad he said.

Blessed be he that enlargeth Gad: he dwelleth as a lion, and teareth the arm with

the crown of the head.

21. And he provided the first part for himself, because there, in a portion of the lawgiver, was he seated; and he

came with the heads of the people, he executed the justice of the LORD. and his judoments with Israel.

And of Dan he said. Dan is a lion's whelp: he

shall leap from Bashan. 23. And of Naphtali he said.

O Naphtali, satisfied with favour, and full with the blessing of the LORD:

possess thou the

west and the south. 24. And of Asher he said.

his foot in oil

Let Asher be blessed with children; let him be acceptable to his brethren, and let him dip

25. Thy shoes shall be iron and brass: and as thy days, so shall thy strength be.

26. There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rideth upon the heaven in thy help. and in his excellency on the sky.

27. The eternal God is thy refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and he shall thrust out the enemy from before thee: and shall say, Destroy them.

28. Israel then shall dwell in safety alone: the fountain of Jacob shall be upon a land of corn and wine: also his heavens shall drop down dew.

29. Happy art thou, O Israel: who is like unto thee. O people saved by the LORD, the shield of thy help, and who is the sword of thy excellency! and thine enemies shall be found liars unto thee; and thou shalt tread upon their high places.

CHAPTER 34

1. And Moses went up from the plains of Moab

unto the mountain of

Nebo, to the top of Pisaah. that is over against Jericho.

And the LÖRD shewed

him all the land of

Gilead, unto Dan.

2 And all

	Naphtali, and the land of
	Ephraim, and Manasseh,
	and all the land of
_	landada

Judah, unto the utmost sea, 3. And the south, and the plain of the valley of Jericho,

the city of palm trees,

unto Zoar.

4. And the LORD said unto him,
This is the land which I

sware unto Abraham,

unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, saying,

I will give it unto thy seed: I have caused thee to

see *it* with thine eyes,

but thou shalt not go over

thither.

5. So Moses the servant

of the LORD

died there in the land of Moab,
according to the word of the LORD.

6. And he buried him in a valley in the land of

Moab, over against Beth-peor:

but no man knoweth of

his sepulchre unto this day.

7. And Moses was an hundred and twenty years old

when he died: his eye was not dim, nor his natural force abated.

8. And the children of

Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab

■ thirty days:

so the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

9. And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom; for Moses had laid his hands upon him:
 and the children of Israel hearkened

and the children of Israel hearkened unto him, and did as the LORD commanded Moses.

10. And there arose not a prophet since in Israel like unto Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face.

11. In all the signs and the wonders, which the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt to Pharaoh, and to all his servants, and to all his land, 12. And in all that mighty hand, and in all the great terror which Moses shewed in the sight of all Israel.

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CHAPTER 1

- 1 1 Now after the death
 - of Moses the servant of
 - the LORD it came to pass, that the LORD spake unto
 - Joshua the son of Nun Moses' minister.
- sayina.
 - 2. Moses my servant is dead; now therefore arise.
- go over this Jordan, thou, and all this people,
- unto the land which I do
- **give** to them, even
- to the children of
- Israel.
- 3. Every place that the sole of
- your foot shall tread upon, that
- have I given unto you, as I said unto Moses.
- 4. From the wilderness and this Lebanon even
- unto the great river.
- the river Euphrates.
- all the land of the Hittites.
- and unto the areat sea toward the going down of the sun,
- shall be your coast.
- 5. There shall not any man
- be able to stand before
- thee all the days of thy life:
- as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee:

I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I sware unto their fathers to give them.

- 7. Only be thou
- strong and very
- courageous, that thou mayest observe to
- do according to all
- | the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee:
- turn not from it to the right hand or to the left,
- | that thou mayest prosper withersoever thou goest.
- 8. This book of the law shall not depart out of thy mouth; but thou shalt

- meditate therein day and
- night, that thou mayest observe to
- do according to
- all that is written therein:
 - for then thou shalt make
- thy way prosperous. and then thou shalt
- have good success.
- 9. Have not I commanded thee? Be strong and of a good courage:
- be not afraid, neither be thou dismayed: for the
- LORD thy God
- is with thee whithersoever thou goest.
- 10. Then Joshua
- commanded the officers of the people.
 - sayina.

- 11. Pass through the host, and
- command the people. saying, Prepare you
- victuals: for within three
- days ye shall pass over this
- Jordan, to go in
- to possess the land.

which the LORD your God giveth you to possess it.

- 12. And to the Reubenites. and to the
- Gadites, and to
- half the tribe of Manasseh. spake Joshua, sayina,
 - 13 Remember the word which
- Moses the servant of the LORD
- commanded vou. saving. The LORD your
- God hath given you rest, and
- hath given you this land.
 - 14. Your wives, your little ones, and your cattle, shall remain in the land which Moses gave you on this side Jordan; but
- ye shall pass before your brethren armed, all the mighty men of valour, and help them:
- 15. Until the LORD have
 - given your brethren rest, as he hath given you, and they also have possessed the land which the LORD your God giveth them; then ye shall return unto the land of your possession, and enjoy it, which

Moses the LORD's servant gave you on this side Jordan toward the sunrising.

- 16. And they answered Joshua, saying, All that
- thou commandest uswe will do, and whithersoever
 - thou sendest us, we will go.

 17. According as we hearkened unto
 - Moses in all things, so will we hearken unto thee: only the LORD thy God be with thee, as he was with Moses.
- 18. Whosoever he be that doth rebel against thy
 - commandment, and will not hearken unto thy words in all that thou commandest him, he
- shall be put to death: only be strong and of a good courage.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. And Joshua the son of Nun
- sent out of Shittim
- I two men to spy secretly.
- saying, Go view the land, even
- Jericho. And they went, and came into an harlot's
- house, named Rahab, and lodged there.
- 2. And it was told the king
- of Jericho, saying, Behold.
 there came men in hither to-night of the children of Israel
- to search out the country.
- 3. And the king of Jericho
- sent unto Rahab, saying,Bring forth the men

that are come to thee, which are entered into thine house: for they be come to search out all the country.

- 4. And the woman took the two men, and
- hid them, and said thus.
- There came men unto me,
- **but** I wist not whence they were:

 5. And it came to pass about
 - the time of shutting of the gate,
- when it was dark, that the men went out:

whither the men went I wol not: pursue after them quickly; for ye shall overtake them.

6. But she had brought

- them up
- to the roof of the house,
 - and hid them
 with the stalks of flax, which she
 - had laid in order upon the roof.
 7. And the men pursued after them the way to Jordan unto the fords: and as soon as they which pursued after them were gone out, they shut the gate.
 - 8. And before they were laid down, she came up unto them upon the roof;
- 9. And she said unto the men. I know that
- the LORD hath given you the
- land, and that your terror is fallen upon
- **us,** and that all the inhabitants of the land faint because of you.
- 10. For we have
- heard how the LORD
- dried up the water of the Red sea for you,
 - when ye came out of Egypt;
- and what ye did unto the two kings of the Amorites.

that were on the other side Jordan, Sihon and Og, whom ye utterly destroyed.

- 11. And as soon as we had heard these things,
- our hearts did melt, neither did there remain any more courage in any man, because of you:
- for the LORD your God,
- he is God in heaven above, and in earth beneath.
 - 12. Now therefore.
- I pray you, swear unto me by the LORD,
- since I have shewed
- you kindness, that
 ye will also shew kindness
- unto my father's house,
 - and give me a true token:

 13. And that ve will save alive my
 - father, and my mother, and my brethren, and my sisters, and all that they have, and deliver our lives from death.
- 14. And the men answered her, Our life for yours, if ye utter not this our business. And it shall be.

- when the LORD hath
 given us the land, that
 we will deal kindly and truly
 with thee.
- 15. Then she let them down by a cord
- through the window: for her house was upon the town wall, and
 she dwelf upon the wall.
- 16. And she said unto them, Get you to the mountain, lest the pursuers meet you; and hide

yourselves there three days, until the pursuers be returned: and afterward may ye go your way.

17. And the men said unto her.

We will be blameless of this thine oath which thou hast made us swear.

- 18. Behold, when we come into the land, thou shalt
- bind this line of
- scarlet thread in the
 - window which thou didst let us down by: and thou shalt bring thy father, and thy mother, and thy brethren, and all thy father's household, home unto thee.
 - 19. And it shall be, *that* whosoever shall go out of the doors of thy house into the street, his blood *shall be* upon his head, and we *will be* guiltless:
- and whosoever shall be with thee
- in the house, his blood shall be on our head, if any hand be upon him.
 - 20. And if thou utter this our business, then we will be quit of thine oath which thou hast made us to swear.
- 21. And she said,
 According unto your
 words, so be it.

And she sent them away, and they departed: and she

bound the scarlet line in the window.

22. And they went, and came unto the mountain, and abode there three days, until the pursuers were returned: and the pursuers sought them throughout all the way,

but found them not.

- 23. **So the two men returned,** and descended from the mountain, and passed over, and came to Joshua the son of Nun, and told him all *things* that befell them:
- 24. And they said unto ■ Joshua. Truly the LORD
- hath delivered into
- our hands all the
- land: for even
 - all the inhabitants of the country do
- faint because of us.

CHAPTER 3

1 1. And Joshua

rose early in the morning; and they removed from Shittim, and

- **came to Jordan,** he
- and all the children of
- Israel, and
 - lodged there before they passed over.
 - 2. **And** it came to pass after three days, that
- the officers went through the host:
 - 3. And they commanded the people,
- saying, When ye see
 the ark of the covenant of
- the LORD your God, and the priests the Levites bearing it, then
- ye shall

remove from your place, and go after it.

- 4. Yet there shall be a space between you and it, about two thousand cubits by measure: come not near unto it, that ye may know the way by which ye must go: for ye have not passed this way heretofore.
- 5. And Joshua said unto the people.
- Sanctify yourselves: for to-morrow the LORD will
- do wonders among you.
- 6. And Joshua spake unto the priests, saying, Take up
- the ark of the covenant,
- and pass over before
 - the people. And they took up the ark of the covenant, and

went before the people. 7 And the LORD said unto

Joshua. This day will I begin to magnify thee in the sight of all Israel, that they may know that,

as I was with Moses. so I will be with thee.

8 And thou shalt

command the priests that bear the ark of the covenant. saying, When ye are come

to the brink of the water of Jordan, ve shall

stand still in Jordan

9 And Joshua said unto the children of Israel.

Come hither, and hear the words of the LORD your God. 10. And Joshua said.

Hereby ve shall know that the living

God is among you, and that he will without fail drive out from before you the Canaanites, and the Hittites. and the Hivites, and the Perizzites and the Girgashites, and the Amorites, and the Jebusites.

11. Behold, the ark of the covenant of the LORD of all the earth passeth over before

you into Jordan.

12. Now therefore take you twelve men out of the tribes of Israel. out of every tribe a man.

13. And it shall come to pass,

as soon as the soles of the feet of the priests that bear the ark of the LORD the LORD of all the earth.

shall rest in the

waters of Jordan, that the waters of Jordan

shall be cut off from the waters that come down from above:

and they shall

stand upon an heap.

14. And it came to pass, when the people removed from their tents. to pass over Jordan, and the priests bearing the ark of the covenant before the people;

15. And as they that bare the ark were come unto Jordan, and the feet of the priests that bare the ark

were dipped in the brim of

the water, (for Jordan overfloweth all his banks all the time of harvest.) 16 That

the waters which came down from above stood and

rose up upon an heap very far from the city Adam, that is beside Zaretan: and those that came down toward the sea. of the plain, even the salt sea, failed,

and were cut off: and the people passed

OVEI right against Jericho.

17. And the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD

stood firm on dry ground in the midst

of Jordan, and all the Israelites passed over on

dry ground, until all the people were passed clean over Jordan.

CHAPTER 4

1. And it came to pass, when all the people were clean passed over Jordan, that

the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,

2. Take you twelve men out of the people.

out of every tribe a man.

And command ve

6 them, saying, Take you hence

out of the midst of

Jordan, out of the place where the priests' feet stood firm.

twelve stones, and ye shall carry them over with you.

and leave them in the lodging place.

where ye shall lodge

this night. 4. Then Joshua called

the twelve men, whom he had prepared of the children of Israel.

out of every tribe a man: And Joshua said unto them.

Pass over

before the ark of the LORD your

- God into the midst of Jordan,
- and take you
- UP every man of you
 - a stone upon his shoulder, according unto the number of the tribes of the children of Israel:
- 6. That this may be
- a sign among you,
- that when your
- children ask their fathers in time to come, saving.
- What mean ye by
- these stones?
 7. Then ve shall
- answer them, That the waters of Jordan were
- Cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD; when it passed over Jordan, the waters of Jordan were cut off:
- and these stones shall be for a memorial

unto the children of Israel for ever.

- 8. And the children of
- Israel did so
- as Joshua commanded,

and took up twelve stones out of the midst of Jordan, as the LORD spake unto Joshua, according to the number of the tribes of the children of Israel, and carried them over with them unto the place where they lodged, and laid them down there.

- 9. And Joshua set up
 twelve stones in the midst
 of Jordan, in the place
 where the feet of the priests
 which bare the ark of the covenant
- stood: and they are there unto this day.
 - 10. For the priests which bare the ark stood in the midst of Jordan, until every thing was finished that the LORD commanded Joshua to speak unto the people, according to all that Moses commanded Joshua: and the people has
- 11. And it came to pass,when all the people were clean
- passed over, that the ark of the LORD
- passed over, and

the priests,

in the presence of the people.

- 12. And the children of Reuben, and the children of Gad, and half the tribe of Manasseh, passed over armed before the children of Israel, as Moses spake unto them:
- 13. About forty thousand
- prepared for war
- passed over before the LORD unto battle, to the
- plains of Jericho.
 - On that day the LORD magnified Joshua in the sight of all Israel; and they feared him, as they feared Moses, all the days of his life.
 And the LORD spake
 - And the LORD spake unto Joshua, saying,
 - 16. Command the priests that bear the ark of the testimony, that they come up out of Jordan.
 - 17. Joshua therefore commanded the priests, saying, Come ye up out of Jordan.
- 18. And it came to pass,
 when the priests that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD
 - were come up
- out of the midst
 of Jordan, and the soles of
- the priests' feet were lifted up
- unto the dry land, that the waters of Jordan
 - returned unto their place, and flowed over all his banks, as they did before.
- 19. And the people came up out of Jordan on the
- tenth day of the first month, and encamped in Gilgal,
- in the east border of Jericho.

 20. And those twelve
- stones, which
- they took out of Jordan,
- did Joshua pitch in Gilgal.
- 21. And he spake
 - unto the children of Israel,
- saying, When your children shall ask their fathers in time to come, saying.
- What *mean* these stones?
 - 22. **Then** ye shall
 - let your children know,

■| saying, Israel came over this Jordan on dry land.

23. For the LORD your God dried up the waters of Jordan from before you. until ve were passed over, as the LORD your God did to the Red sea. which he dried up from before us, until we were gone over:

24. That all the people of ■ the earth might know the ■ hand of the LORD, that it is mighty: that ye might fear the LORD your God for ever.

CHAPTER 5

1. And it came to pass,

when all

the kings of the

Amorites, which were on the side of Jordan westward.

and all the kings of the

Canaanites,

which were by the sea.

■ heard that the LORD had

dried up the waters of

Jordan from before the children of Israel, until we were passed over, that

their heart melted, neither was there spirit in them any more. because of the children of Israel.

2. At that time the LORD said unto Joshua, Make

thee sharp knives, and

circumcise again the children of Israel

the second time

And Joshua

made him sharp knives, and

circumcised the children of

Israel at the hill of the foreskins.

4. And this is the cause

why Joshua did

circumcise:

All the people

that came out of

Egypt, that were males.

■ | even all the men of war. died in the wilderness by

> the way, after they came out of Egypt. 5. Now all the people that came out were circumcised:

but all the people that were

born in the wilderness by the

way as they came forth out of Egypt.

them they had not circumcised.

For the children of

Israel walked forty years

in the wilderness, till

all the people that were

men of war, which came

out of Eaypt, were

consumed, because they

obeved not the voice of

the LORD: unto whom the LORD. sware that he would not shew them the land, which the LORD sware unto their fathers that he would give us, a land that floweth with milk and honey.

7 And their children, whom he. raised up in their stead, them

Joshua circumcised: for they were uncircumcised, because they had not circumcised them by the way. And it came to pass.

when they had done

circumcising all the people, that they abode in their places in the camp, till they

were whole.

> 9 And the LORD said unto Joshua. This day have

I rolled away the reproach

of Eavot from off you.

Wherefore the name of the place is called

Gilaal unto this day

10. And the children of

Israel encamped in Gilgal, and

kept the passover on the 6 fourteenth day of the month

at even in the plains of Jericho.

11. And they did eat of the old corn of the land on the morrow after the passover, unleavened cakes, and parched corn in the selfsame day.

12. And the manna ceased on the morrow after they had eaten of the old corn of the land; neither had the children of Israel manna any more:

but they did eat of the fruit of the land of

Canaan that year.

13. And it came to pass, when

Joshua was by Jericho. that he lifted up his eyes and ■ I looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him. Art thou for us. or for our adversaries? 14. And he said, Nay; but as captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his

face to the earth, and did worship, and

said unto him.

■ What saith my Lord ■ unto his servant?

15. And the captain

of the LORD's host **said** unto Joshua.

■ Loose thy shoe from off thy foot:

for the place whereon ■ thou standest is holy.

And Joshua did so.

CHAPTER 6

1. Now Jericho was straitly shut up because of the children of

Israel: none went out. and none came in.

2. And the LORD said unto Joshua, See, I

have given into thine

hand Jericho, and the king thereof, and the mighty men of valour.

3. And ye shall

compass the city. all ye men of war,

and go round about

■ the city once. Thus shalt

thou do six days. 4. And seven priests

shall bear before the ark

seven trumpets of rams' horns:

■ and the seventh day ye shall

compass the city seven

■ times, and the priests shall

blow with

the trumpets.

■ 5. And it shall come to pass, that

when they make a long

blast with the ram's horn. and when ve hear

the sound of the

trumpet, all the people

shall shout with a great shout:

and the wall of the city

shall fall down flat, and the people shall ascend up

every man straight before him.

6. And Joshua the son of Nun called the priests, and said unto them. Take up the ark of the covenant. and let seven priests bear seven trumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD.

And he said unto the people, Pass on, and compass the city. and let him that is armed pass on before the ark of the LORD.

And it came to pass. when Joshua had spoken unto the people, that

the seven priests bearing

the seven trumpets of rams' horns

passed on

before the LORD,

and blew with

the trumpets: and the ark of the covenant of the LORD

followed them.

And the armed men went

before the priests that blew with the trumpets, and the rereward came after the ark, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

10. And Joshua had

commanded the people,

saying,Ye shall not shout, nor

make any noise

with your voice.

neither shall *anv* word

proceed out of your

mouth, until the day I bid you shout; then shall ye shout.

11. So the ark of the LORD

compassed the city.

going about it

once: and they came into the camp, and

lodged in the camp.

12. And Joshua rose early

in the morning. and the priests took up the ark of the LORD.

13. And seven priests bearing seven frumpets of rams' horns before the ark of the LORD went on continually, and blew with the trumpets; and the armed men went before them; but the rereward came after the ark of the LORD, the priests going on, and blowing with the trumpets.

14. And the second day they compassed the city once, and returned into the camp:

15. And it came to pass

so they did six days. on the seventh day, that

they rose early about the dawning of the day, and

compassed the city after the same manner seven times:

> only on that day they compassed the city seven times.

16. And it came to pass at the seventh time, when

the priests blew with the trumpets, Joshua said unto the people. Shout: for

the LORD hath given you the city. 17. And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all

that are therein, to the LORD:

only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent.

18. And ve. in any wise

■ keep yourselves

from the accursed thing. ш lest ye make *yourselves*

accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing. and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

19. But all the silver, and gold, and vessels of brass and iron, are consecrated unto the LORD:

they shall come into the treasury of the LORD.

20. So the people shouted when

the priests blew with the trumpets: and it came to pass,

when the people heard the sound of the trumpet, and the people shouted with a great shout, that

the wall fell down flat. so that the people

went up into the city, every man straight before him,

and they took the city. 21. And they utterly

destroyed all that was in the city, both man and woman, young and old, and

ox, and sheep, and ass, with the edge of the sword.

> 22. But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country. Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her.

23. And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren. and all that she had:

and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

24. And they burnt the city with fire, and all that was therein: only the silver, and the gold, and the vessels of brass and of

iron, they put into the treasury of the house of the LORD.

And Joshua saved

Rahab the harlot alive, and her father's household, and all that she had: and she dwelleth in Israel even unto this day; because she hid the messengers, which Joshua sent to spy out Jericho.

26. And Joshua adjured them at that time.

saying, Cursed *be* the man before the LORD.

that riseth up and

- buildeth this city Jericho: he shall lay the foundation thereof in his firstborn, and in his youngest son shall he set up the gates of it.
- 27. So the LORD was with ■ Joshua: and his fame was
- | noised throughout all
- I the country.

CHAPTER 7

- I 1. But the children of Israel committed a trespass in the accursed thing: for
- Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah, of the tribe of Judah,
- took of the accursed thing: and the anaer of
- the LORD was kindled
- against the children of Israel.
- 2. And Joshua sent men from Jericho to Ai, which is beside Beth-aven, on the east of Beth-el, and spake unto them,
- saying, Go up and view the country.

And the men went up and viewed Ai.

- And they returned to
- Joshua, and said unto him.
- **Let not all the people go up:** but let about two or three
- thousand men go up and smite Ai; and make not all the
- people to labour thither; for they are but few.
- 4. So there went up thither of the people
- about three thousand
- men: and they fled before the men of Ai.
- 5. And the men of
- Ai smote of them
- about thirty and
- six men: for they chased them from before the gate even unto Shebarim, and smote them in the going down:
- wherefore the hearts of ■ the people melted,
 - and became as water.
- 6. And Joshua rent his clothes, and fell to the earth upon his face before

- the ark of the LORD
- until the eventide, he and the elders of Israel, and out
- dust upon their heads. And Joshua said.
 - Alas, O LORD
 - God, wherefore
- hast thou at all
- brought this people
- over Jordan, to deliver us into the hand of the Amorites.
 - to destroy us? would to God we had been content, and dwelt on the other side Jordan!
- 8. O LORD, what shall I say, when Israel turneth their backs before their enemies!
- 9. For the Canaanites and all the inhabitants of the land shall hear of it. and shall environ us round, and cut off our name from the earth; and what wilt
 - thou do unto thy great name? 10. And the LORD
- said unto Joshua.
- **Get thee up;** wherefore liest thou thus upon thy face?
 - 11. Israel hath sinned, and they have also transgressed my covenant which I commanded them:
- for they have even
- taken of the accursed thing, and have also stolen, and dissembled also.
- and they

- have put it even
- among their own stuff.
- 12. Therefore the children of Israel could not stand

before their enemies, but turned their backs before their enemies.

- because they were
- accursed: neither will I be with you any more, except ye destroy the accursed from among you.
- 13. Up, sanctify the people, and say, Sanctify yourselves
- against to-morrow: for thus saith the LORD God of Israel.
- There is an accursed thing in the midst of thee. O Israel:
- thou canst not stand
- before thine enemies, until

ye take away the accursed thing from among you.

14. In the morning therefore ye shall be brought according to your tribes: and it shall be, that the tribe which the LORD taketh shall come according to the families thereof: and the family which the LORD shall take shall come by households; and the household which the LORD shall take shall come man by man.

■ 15. And it shall be, that he

■ that is taken with the

accursed thing shall

be burnt with fire, he and all that he hath:

because he hath

■ transgressed the

covenant of the LORD,

and because he hathwrought folly in Israel.

16. **So Joshua** rose up

early in the morning, and brought Israel by

their tribes; and the tribe of Judah was taken:

17. And he brought the family of Judah: and he took the family of the Zarhites: and he brought the family of the Zarhites man by man;

and Zabdi was taken: 18. And he brought his household man by man;

and Achan, the son of Carmi, the son of Zabdi, the son of Zerah,

of the tribe of Judah, was taken.

■ 19. And Joshua said unto

Achan, My son, give, I pray thee, glory to the LORD God of Israel, and

make confession unto him;

■ and tell me now

what thou hast done;

hide it not from me.

■ 20. And Achan

■ answered Joshua,

and said, Indeed

I have sinned against the LORD God of Israel, and thus and thus have I done:

■ 21. When I saw among

the spoils a goodly

Babylonish garment, and

two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then

■ I coveted them, and

took them; and, behold,

they *are* hid in the

earth in the midst of

my tent, and the silver under it.

■ 22. So Joshua sent

messengers, and they ran unto the tent; and, behold, it was hid in his tent, and the silver under it.

23. And they took them out of the midst of the tent.

and brought them unto Joshua.

and unto all the children of Israel, and laid them out before the LORD.

and all Israel with him.

took Achan the son of Zerah, and the silver, and the garment, and the wedge of gold, and

his sons, and his daughters, and his

oxen, and his asses, and his sheep, and his tent,

and all that he had: and they

brought them untothe valley of Achor.

25. And Joshua said, Why hast thou troubled us? the LORD shall trouble thee this day.

■ And all Israel stoned

■ him with stones.

and burned them with

fire, after they had stoned them with stones.

■ 26. **And** they

■ raised over him a great

■ heap of stones unto this day.

■ So the LORD turned

from the fierceness of

his anger. Wherefore the name of that place was called,
The valley of Achor, unto this day.

CHAPTER 8

■ 1. And the LORD said

unto Joshua, Fear not, neither be thou dismayed:

■ take all the people

of war with thee.

- I and arise,
- **90** up
- To Ai: see, I have given into thy hand the king of Ai, and his people, and his city, and his land:
- 2. **And** thou shalt
- do to Ai and her king
- and her king: only the spoil thereof, and the cattle thereof, shall ye take

and the cattle thereof, shall ye take for a prey unto yourselves: lay thee an ambush for the city behind it.

- 3. So Joshua arose, and all the people of war, to go up against Ai:
- and Joshua chose out
 - thirty thousand
- mighty men of valour,
- and sent them awayby night.
 - And he commanded them,
- **saying,** Behold,
- ye shall lie in
- wait against the city, even behind the city: go not very
- far from the city, but be ye all ready:

 5. And I, and all the
- **Deople** that are with me.
- will approach unto
- the city: and it shall
- come to pass,
- when they come out
 against us, as at the first, that
 we will flee before them.
 - 6. (For they will come out after us) till we have drawn them from the city; for they will say, They flee before us, as at the first: therefore we will flee before them.
- 7. Then ye shall rise
 - up from the ambush,
- and seize upon
- the city: for the LORD your God will deliver it into your hand.
- 8. And it shall be,
- when ye have taken the city, that ye shall
 - set the city on fire: according to the commandment of the LORD shall ye do. See, I have commanded you.
 - Joshua therefore sent them forth: and they went to lie in ambush, and abode between Beth-el and Ai, on the west side of Ai: but Joshua lodged

that night among the people.

- 10. And Joshua rose up early in the morning, and numbered the people, and went up, he and the elders of Israel, before the people to Ai.
- 11. And all the people, even the people
- of War that were with him, went up, and drew nigh, and
- came before the city, and pitched on the north side

of Ai: now there was a valley between them and Ai.

- 12. And he took about five
- thousand men, and set them
 to lie in ambush between Bethel and Ai. on the west side of the city.
 - 13. And when they had set the people, even all the host that was on the north of the city, and their liers in wait on the west of the city, Joshua went that night into the midst of the valley.
- 14. And it came to pass, when the king of Ai
- **SQW** if, that they hasted and rose up early, and
- the men of the city went out against Israel to battle, he and all his people, at a time appointed, before the plain; but he wist not that there were liers in ambush against him behind the city.
- 15. And Joshua and all
 Israel made as if they were
 beaten before them, and fled by
- beaten before them, and fled by the way of the wilderness.
 - 16. And all the people that were in Ai were called together to pursue after them: and they pursued after Joshua, and were drawn away from the city.
- 17. And there was not aman left in Ai or Beth-el,
- that went not out after
 Israel: and they left the city
 open, and pursued after Israel.
- 18. And the LORD said unto Joshua, Stretch out
- the spear that is in thy hand toward Ai; for I will give it into thine hand. And
 - Joshua stretched out the

- spear that he had in his hand toward the city.
 - 19. And the ambush arose quickly out of their place, and they ran as soon as he had stretched out his hand: and they
- entered into the city, and took it, and hasted and set the city on fire.

20. **And** when

the men of Ai looked behind them, they

SQW, and, behold,

the smoke of the city ascended up to heaven,

and they had no power to flee this way or that way: and the people that fled to the wilderness turned back upon the pursuers.

21. And when Joshua and all Israel saw that the ambush had taken the

City, and that the smoke of the city ascended, then

they turned again, and slew the men of Ai.

22. And the other issued out of the city against them; so they were in the midst of Israel, some on this side, and some on that side:

and they smote them, so that they let none of them

remain or escape.

23. And the king of Ai they took alive, and brought him to Joshua.

24. And it came to pass, when Israel had made an end of slaying all the inhabitants of Ai in the field, in the wilderness wherein they chased them, and when they were all fallen on the edge of the sword, until they were consumed, that all the Israelites returned unto Ai, and smote it with the edge of the sword.

25. And so it was, that
all that fell that day, both
of men and women,
were twelve thousand.

even all the men of Ai. 26. For Joshua drew not his hand back, wherewith he stretched out the spear, until he had utterly destroyed all the inhabitants of Ai. 27. Only the cattle and the spoil of that city Israel took for a prey unto Ihemselves, according unto Ihe word of the LORD which he commanded Joshua.

28. And Joshua burnt Ai, and made it an heap for ever, even a desolation unto this day.

29. And the king of Ai
he hanged on a tree
until eventide: and as soon as
the sun was down, Joshua
commanded that they should

take his carcase down from the tree, and cast it at the entering of the gate of the city,

 and raise thereon a great heap of stones, that remaineth unto this day.

30. Then Joshua
built an altar unto
the LORD God of Israel
in mount Ebal,

31. As Moses the servant of the LORD commanded the children of Israel, as it is written in the book of the law of Moses, an altar of whole stones, over which no man hath lift up any iron: and they offered thereon burnt offerings unto the LORD, and sacrificed peace offerings.

32. And he wrote there
 upon the stones a copy
 of the law of Moses,
 which he wrote in the presence

of the children of Israel.

33. And all Israel, and

their elders, and officers, and their judges, stood on this side the ark and on that side before the

priests the Levites.
which bare the

■ Which Dare the

□ ark of the covenant of
the LORD, as well
the stranger, as he that was
born among them; half of them
over against mount Gerizim,
and half of them over against mount
Ebal; as Moses the servant of the
LORD had commanded before.

that they should bless the people of Israel.

34. And afterward

he read all the words of the

law, the blessings and cursings.

according to all that is

written in the

book of the law.

35. There was not a word of all that Moses commanded.

which Joshua read not

before all the congregation of

Israel, with the women, and the little ones, and the strangers that were conversant among them.

CHAPTER 9

■ 1 1. And it came to pass, when all the kings which were on this side Jordan, in the hills, and in the valleys, and in all the coasts of the great sea over against Lebanon, the Hittite, and the Amorite, the Canaanite, the Perizzite. the Hivite, and the Jebusite.

heard thereof:

2. That

they gathered

themselves together,

to fight with Joshua and with

Israel, with one accord.

3. And when the inhabitants of Gibeon heard what

Joshua had done

unto Jericho and to Ai.

4. **They** did work wilily,

and went and

made as if they had been ambassadors, and took

old sacks upon their **asses**, and wine bottles,

old, and rent, and bound up;

And old shoes and clouted upon their feet.

and old garments upon them;

and all the

■ I bread of their provision ■ | was dry *and* mouldy.

■ 6. And they went to

Joshua unto the camp at Gilgal,

and said unto him, and to the men of Israel,

■ | We be

come from a far

country: now therefore

make ve

a league with us.

And the men of Israel

said unto the Hivites, Peradventure ye dwell among us: and

how shall we make

a league with you?

8. And they said unto Joshua. •

We *are* thy servants.

And Joshua said unto them

Who are ye? and from whence come ye?

9. And they said unto him,

From a very far country

thy servants are come because of the name of

the LORD thy God:

for we have heard

the fame of him, and

all that he did in Eaypt.

10. And all that he did to the two kings of the Amorites.

> that were beyond Jordan, to Sihon king of Heshbon, and to Og king of Bashan, which was at Ashtaroth.

11. Wherefore our elders and all the inhabitants of our country spake to us.

saying, Take victuals with you for the journey, and

go to meet them, and SQV unto them. We are

your servants: therefore now make ye a league with us.

12. This our bread we

took hot for our provision out of our houses on the day we came forth to go unto you;

but now, behold,

it is dry, and it is

mouldy:

13. And these bottles

of wine, which we filled,

were new; and, behold, they be rent: and these

our garments and our

shoes are become old by reason of the very

long journey. 14. And the men

took of their victuals, and

asked not counsel at the mouth of the LORD. 15 And Joshua made peace with them, and made a league with them. to let them live: and the princes of the congregation sware unto them. 16. **And** it came to pass at the end of three days after they had made a

league with them, that

they heard that they were their neighbours,

and that they

dwelt among them. 17 And the children of

Israel journeyed, and

came unto their cities on

the third day. Now their cities were Gibeon, and Chephirah, and Beeroth, and Kiriath-jearim.

18. And the children of Israel smote them not, because the

princes of the congregation had sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel.

And all the

congregation murmured against the princes.

19. But all the princes said unto all the congregation,

We have sworn unto them by the LORD God of Israel: now

therefore we may not touch them.

> 20. This we will do to them: we will even let them live, lest wrath be upon us, because of the oath which we sware unto them.

21. And the princes said unto them. Let them live;

but let them be hewers of wood and drawers

of water unto all the

congregation; as the princes had promised them.

22 And Joshua called for them, and he

spake unto them, saying,

Wherefore have ye beguiled us, saying, We are very far from you; when

ye dwell among us?

23. Now therefore ve are cursed, and there shall none of you be freed from being bondmen. and hewers of wood and drawers of water for the house of my God.

24. And thev

answered Joshua, and said. Because it was certainly told thy servants, how that

the LORD thy God

commanded his servant Moses to give you all

the land, and to

destroy all the inhabitants

of the land from before you,

therefore we were sore

afraid of our lives because of you, and have done this thing.

25. And now, behold.

we *are* in thine hand: as it seemeth good

and right unto thee

to do unto us. do.

And so did he unto them. and delivered them out of the hand of the children of Israel. that they slew them not.

27. And Joshua

made them that day

hewers of wood and drawers of water for the

congregation, and for the altar of the LORD, even unto this day, in the place which he should choose.

CHAPTER 10

1. Now it came to pass.

when Adoni-zedec king

of Jerusalem had

heard how Joshua had taken Ai. and had utterly

destroyed it; as he had done to Jericho and her king, so he had done to Ai and her king:

and how the inhabitants

of Gibeon had made peace with Israel.

and were among them;

2. That

they feared greatly,

because Gibeon was

a great city, as one of the

roval cities, and because it was greater than Ai, and all the men thereof were mighty.

3 Wherefore Adoni-zedec king of Jerusalem.

sent unto Hoham king

of Hebron, and unto

Piram king of

Jarmuth, and unto Japhia king of

Lachish, and unto

Debir king of Eglon, saying,

4. Come up unto me,

and help me, that we may smite Gibeon: for it hath

made peace with

Joshua and with the children of

Israel.

Therefore the five kinas of the Amorites, the king of Jerusalem. the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, the king of Eglon, gathered themselves together, and went up, they and all their hosts, and

encamped before Gibeon,

and made war against it. 6. And the men of

Gibeon sent unto

Joshua to the camp to Gilgal,

saying, Slack not thy hand from thy servants:

come up to us quickly.

and save us, and help us: for all the kings of the Amorites that dwell in the mountains are gathered together against us.

7. So Joshua

ascended from Gilgal, he, and all the people of

WOI with him, and all the mighty men of valour.

8. And the LORD

said unto Joshua.

Fear them not: for I have delivered them into

thine hand: there shall not a man of them stand before thee.

9. Joshua therefore came unto them suddenly, and

went up from

Gilgal all night.

10. And the LORD discomfited

them before Israel, and

slew them with a great slaughter at Gibeon, and chased them along the way that goeth up to Bethhoron, and smote them to Azekah. and unto Makkedah

11. And it came to pass. as they fled from before Israel, and were in the going down to Beth-horon, that

the LORD cast down great stones from heaven upon them unto Azekah,

and they died:

they were more which died with hailstones than they whom the children of Israel slew with the sword.

12. Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel.

and he

said in the sight of Israel.

Sun. stand thou

still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley

of Ajalon.

And the sun stood still. and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their

enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day.

14. And there was no day like that before it or after

if, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man; for the LORD fought for Israel.

15. And Joshua

returned, and all Israel with him,

unto the camp to

Gilgal.

16. **But these five kings** fled, and hid themselves

in a cave at Makkedah. 17. And it was told

Joshua, saying, The five kings are found hid in a cave at Makkedah.

18. And Joshua said, Roll great stones upon the

mouth of the cave, and set men by it for to keep them:

19. And stay ye not, but

pursue after your enemies.

and smite the hindmost of them:

suffer them not to enter into their cities: for the

LORD your God hath delivered them into your hand.

20. And it came to pass.

when Joshua

and the children of

Israel had made an

end of slaying them with

a very great slaughter, till they were consumed, that

the rest which remained of them

entered into fenced cities.

21 And all the people returned to the camp to

Joshua at Makkedah in peace:

none moved his tongue against any of the children of Israel.

22. Then said Joshua. Open the mouth of the

Cave, and bring out those five kings unto me out of the cave. 23. And they did so, and brought forth those five kings unto him out of the cave, the king of Jerusalem, the king of Hebron, the king of Jarmuth, the king of Lachish, and the king of Eglon.

24. And it came to pass.

when they brought out those kings unto Joshua, that

Joshua called for all the men of Israel, and

said unto the captains of the men of war which went with him.

Come near

put your feet upon the necks of these kings. And

they came near, and put their feet upon the necks of them.

25. And Joshua said unto them, Fear not, nor be dismayed. be strong and of good courage; for

thus shall the LORD do

late to all your enemies

against whom ve fight.

26. And afterward

Joshua smote them, and slew them, and hanged

them on five trees: and they were hanging upon the

trees until the evening.

27. And it came to pass at the time of the aoina down of the sun, that

Joshua commanded, and they took them down

off the trees, and cast them into the cave wherein they had been hid.

and laid great stones in the cave's mouth. which remain until this very day.

28. And that day Joshua took Makkedah, and

smote it with the edge of the sword, and

the king thereof he utterly destroyed, them,

and all the souls that were therein: he let none remain: and he did to the king of Makkedah as he did unto the king of Jericho.

> 29. **Then** Joshua passed from Makkedah, and all

Israel with him, unto Libnah, and fought against Libnah: 30. And the LORD delivered

if also, and the king thereof. into the hand of Israel: and he smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein: he let none remain in it: but did unto the king thereof as he did unto the king of Jericho. 31. And Joshua passed from

Libnah, and all Israel with him. unto Lachish, and encamped against it, and fought against it: 32. And the LORD delivered Lachish into the hand of

Israel, which took it on the second day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein, according to all that he had done to Libnah.

33. Then Horam king of Gezer came up to help

- Lachish: and Joshua smote him and his people. until he had left him none remaining.
- 34 And from Lachish
- Joshua passed unto
- **Egion**, and all Israel with him; and they encamped against it. and fought against it:
- 35. And they took it on that day, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and all the souls that were therein he utterly destroyed that day, according to all that he had done to Lachish.
- 36. And Joshua went up from Eglon, and all Israel with him, unto Hebron: and
- they fought against it:
- 37. And they took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof. and all the souls that were therein; he left none remaining, according to all that he had done to Eglon; but destroyed it utterly, and all the souls that were therein
- 38. And Joshua
- returned, and all Israel with him. to **Debir**: and fought against it:
- 39. And he took it, and the king thereof, and all the cities thereof; and they smote them with the edge of the sword, and utterly destroyed all the souls that were therein: he left none remaining; as he had done to Hebron, so he did to Debir, and to the king thereof; as he had done also to
- 40. So Joshua smote all the country of the hills, and of the south, and of the vale. and of the springs, and all their kings: he left none

remaining, but utterly destroyed all that breathed,

Libnah, and to her king.

- as the LORD God of Israel commanded.
 - 41. And Joshua smote them from Kadesh-barnea even unto Gaza. and all the country of Goshen. even unto Gibeon.
 - 42. And all these kings and their land did Joshua take at one time.

- because the LORD God of Israel fought for Israel.
- 43. And Joshua returned.
- and all Israel with him.
- unto the camp to
- |■| Gilgal.

CHAPTER 11

- And it came to pass.
- when Jabin king of
- Hazor had
- i heard those things, that
- he sent to Jobab kina
- of Madon, and to
- the king of Shimron, and to the king of Achshaph.
- 2. And to the kings that were on the north of the
- mountains, and of the
- plains south of Chinneroth. and in the valley, and in the
- borders of Dor on the west.
- 3 And to the Canaanite
 - on the east and on the west, and to
- the Amorite, and the Hittite, and the
- Perizzite, and the
- Jebusite in the mountains.
- and to the
 - **Hivite** under Hermon
 - in the land of Mizpeh.
 - And they went out. they and all their hosts with them.
- much people, even
- as the sand that is upon the sea shore in
- multitude, with horses and chariots very many.
 - 5. And when
- all these kings were met together, they came and pitched together at the
 - waters of Merom.
- to fight against Israel. 6. And the LORD said
- unto Joshua. Be not afraid because of them: for
- to-morrow about this time
- will I deliver them up all
 - slain before Israel: thou shalt hough their horses, and burn their chariots with fire.
 - 7. So Joshua came,

and all the people of war with him,

waters of Merom

suddenly; and they

fell upon them.

8. And the LORD delivered

■ them into the hand of

Israel, who smote them, and chased them unto great Zidon, and unto Misrephoth-maim, and unto the valley of Mizpeh eastward; and they smote them, until they left them none remaining.

 And Joshua did unto them as the LORD bade him: he hocked their horses, and burnt their chariots with fire.

■ 10. And Joshua at that time turned back, and took

Hazor, and smote the king thereof with the sword: for Hazor beforetime was the head of all those kingdoms.

11. And they smote all

■ the souls that were

therein with the edge of the sword, ulterly destroying *them*: there was not any left to breathe:

■ and he

■ burnt Hazor with fire.

12. And all the cities of those kings.

and all the kings of them,

did Joshua take, and smote them with the edge of the sword, and he utterly destroyed them, as Moses the servant of the LORD commanded.

■ 13. But as for

the cities that stood still in their strength, Israel

■ burned none of them, save

Hozor only, that did Joshua burn.

■ 14 And all the spoil

of these cities, and the

■ Israel took for a prey unto themselves:

but every man they smote with the edge of the sword, until they had destroyed them, neither left they any to breathe.

■ 15. **As the LORD**

commanded Moses his servant, so did Moses command

Joshua, and so did Joshua: he

left nothing undone of all that the LORD commanded Moses.

16. So Joshua took all

the south country, and all the land of Goshen, and the valley, and the plain, and the mountain of Israel, and the valley of the same;

17. Even from the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir, even unto Baalgad in the valley of Lebanon under mount Hermon:

and all their kings
he took, and smote them.

and slew them.

18. Joshua made war
a long time with all
those kinas.

19. There was not a city

■ that made peace with

the children of Israel

■ Save the Hivites the inhabitants of Gibeon: all other they

took in battle.

20. For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in battle.
 that he might destroy them utterly, and that they might have no favour, but that he

might destroy them, as the

LORD commanded Moses.

21. And at that time came

■ Joshua, and

cut off the Anakims

from the mountains,

from Hebron, from

Debir, from
Angb. and from all the m

Anab, and from all the mountains of Judah, and from

all the mountains of

■ Israel: Joshua

destroyed them utterly with their cities.

22. There was none

of the Anakims left in the land of the children of Israel:

only in Gaza, in

■ Gath, and in

Ashdod, there remained.

23. So Joshua took the

- whole land, according to all that the LORD said unto Moses;
- and Joshua
- gave it for an inheritance unto Israel according to
- their divisions by their
- tribes. And the land
- rested from war.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. Now these are the kings of the land,
 which the children of
 - Israel smote, and possessed their land

on the other side Jordan toward the rising of the sun, from the river Arnon unto mount Hermon, and all the plain on the east:

- 2. Sihon king of the Amorites, who dwelt in Heshbon, and ruled from Aroer, which is upon the bank of the river Arnon, and from the middle of the river, and from half Gilead, even unto the river Jabbok, which is the border of the children of Ammon;
- 3. And from the plain to the sea of Chinneroth on the east, and unto the sea of the plain, even the salt sea on the east, the way to Beth-jeshimoth; and from the south, under Ashdoth-pisgah:
- And the coast of Og king of Bashan, which was of the remnant of the giants, that dwelt at Ashtaroth and at Edrei.
- And reigned in mount Hermon, and in Salcah, and in all Bashan, unto the border of the Geshurites and the Maachathites, and half Gilead, the border of Sihon king of Heshbon.
- 6. Them did Moses the servant of the LORD and the children of Israel smite: and Moses the servant of the LORD gave it for a possession unto the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half tribe of Manasseh.
- 7. And these are the kings of the country which Joshua and the children of Israel smote on this side Jordan on the west, from Baal-gad in the valley of Lebanon even unto the mount Halak, that goeth up to Seir;

- which Joshua gave unto the tribes of Israel for a possession according to their divisions:
- 8. In the mountains, and in the valleys, and in the plains, and in the springs, and in the wilderness, and in the south country; the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Canaanites, the Perizzites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites:
- 9. The king of Jericho, one; the king of Ai, which is beside Beth-el, one;
- 10. The king of Jerusalem, one; the king of Hebron, one;
- 11. The king of Jarmuth, one; the king of Lachish, one;
- 12. The king of Eglon, one; the king of Gezer, one;
- 13. The king of Debir, one; the king of Geder, one;
- 14. The king of Hormah, one; the king of Arad, one;
- 15. The king of Libnah, one; the king of Adullam, one;
- 16. The king of Makkedah, one; the king of Beth-el, one;
- 17. The king of Tappuah, one; the king of Hepher, one;
- 18. The king of Aphek, one; the king of Lasharon, one;
- 19. The king of Madon, one; the king of Hazor, one;
- 20. The king of Shimron-meron, one; the king of Achshaph, one;
- 21. The king of Taanach, one; the king of Megiddo, one;
- 22. The king of Kedesh, one; the king of Jokneam of Carmel, one;
- 23. The king of Dor in the coast of Dor, one; the king of the nations of Gilgal, one;
- 24. The king of Tirzah, one: all the kings thirty and one.

CHAPTER 13

- ■I 1. Now Joshua was old
 - and stricken in years; and
- the LORD said unto him, Thou art old and stricken in years, and
- there remaineth yet
- very much land fo
 - be possessed.
- 2. This is the land that

vet remaineth: all the borders of the Philistines. and all Geshuri. 3 From Sihor, which is before Egypt, even unto the borders of

Ekron northward, which is counted to the Canaanite:

five lords of the Philistines: the

Gazathites, and the

■ Ashdothites, the Eshkalonites, the

Gittites, and the Ekronites:

also the Avites:

4. From the south, all the land of the Canaanites, and

Megrah that is .

beside the Sidonians unto Aphek, to the borders of the Amorites:

5 And the land of

the Giblites, and all

Lebanon, toward the sunrising.

from Baal-gad under mount Hermon

unto the enterina

■ into Hamath. 6 All the inhabitants

of the hill country

from Lebanon unto Misrephoth-maim, and

all the Sidonians, them

will I drive out from before the children of Israel:

only divide thou it by lot unto the Israelites

for an inheritance.

as I have commanded thee

7. Now therefore divide this land for an inheritance.

unto the nine tribes, and the half tribe of Manasseh.

8 With whom the

Reubenites and the

Gadites have received

their inheritance, which Moses gave them.

beyond Jordan eastward.

even as Moses the servant of the LORD gave them:

9. From Aroer, that is upon the bank of the river Arnon, and the city that

is in the midst of the river, and all the plain of Medeba unto Dibon:

10. And all the cities of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, unto the border of the children of Ammon:

11 And Gilead, and the border of the Geshurites and Maachathites. and all mount Hermon, and all Bashan unto Salcah:

12. All the kingdom of Og in Bashan, which reigned in Ashtaroth and in Edrei, who remained of the remnant of the giants: for these did Moses smite, and cast them out.

13 Nevertheless the children of Israel expelled not the Geshurites, nor the Maachathites: but the Geshurites and the Maachathites dwell amona the Israelites until this day.

14. Only unto the tribes of Levi he gave none

6 inheritance: the sacrifices of the LORD God of

Israel made by fire

are their inheritance. as he said unto them

15. And Moses gave unto the tribe of the children of Reuben inheritance according to their families.

And their coast was from Arger. that is on the bank of the river Arnon. and the city that is in the midst of the river, and all the plain by Medeba;

17. Heshbon, and all her cities that are in the plain: Dibon, and Bamoth-baal, and Beth-baal-meon,

18. And Jahaza, and Kedemoth, and Mephaath,

19. And Kirjathaim, and Sibmah, and Zareth-shahar in the mount of the valley.

20. And Beth-peor, and Ashdothpisgah, and Beth-jeshimoth,

21. And all the cities of the plain, and all the kingdom of Sihon king of the Amorites, which reigned in Heshbon, whom Moses smote with the princes of Midian, Evi., and Rekem, and Zur. and Hur, and Reba, which were dukes of Sihon, dwelling in the country.

22. Balaam also the son of Beor, the soothsayer, did the children of Israel

slay with the sword among them that were slain by them.
23. And the border of the children of Reuben was Jordan, and the border thereof. This was the inheritance of the children of Reuben after their families, the cities and the villages thereof.

- 24. And Moses gave *inheritance* unto the tribe of Gad, *even* unto the children of Gad according to their families.
- 25. And their coast was Jazer, and all the cities of Gilead, and half the land of the children of Ammon, unto Aroer that *is* before Rabbah; 26. And from Heshbon unto Ramathmizpeh, and Betonim;
- and from Mahanaim unto the border of Debir;
- 27. And in the valley, Beth-aram, and Beth-nimrah, and Succoth, and Zaphon, the rest of the kingdom of Sihon king of Heshbon, Jordan and his border, even unto the edge of the sea of Chinnereth on the other side Jordan eastward.

 28. This is the inheritance of the
- children of Gad after their families, the cities, and their villages.
- 29. And Moses gave inheritance unto the half tribe of Manasseh: and this was the possession of the half tribe of the children of Manasseh by their families.
- 30. And their coast was from Mahanaim, all Bashan, all the kingdom of Og king of Bashan, and all the towns of Jair, which are in Bashan, threescore cities:
- 31. And half Gilead, and Ashtaroth, and Edrei, cities of the kingdom of Og in Bashan, were pertaining unto the children of Machir the son of Manasseh, even to the one half of the children of Machir by their families.
- 32. These are the countries which Moses did distribute for inheritance in the plains of Moab, on the other side Jordan, by Jericho, eastward.

33. But unto the tribe of Levi Moses gave not *any* inheritance: the LORD God of Israel *was* their inheritance, as he said unto them

CHAPTER 14

- 1. And these are the countries which the children of Israel inherited in the land of Canaan, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, distributed for inheritance to them.
- 2. By lot was their inheritance, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses, for the nine tribes, and for the half tribe.
- 3. For Moses had given the inheritance of two tribes and an half tribe on the other side Jordan: but unto the Levites he gave none inheritance among them.
- 4. For the children of Joseph were two tribes, Manasseh and Ephraim: therefore they gave no part unto the Levites in the land, save cities to dwell *in*, with their suburbs for their cattle and for their substance.
- 5. As the LORD commandedMoses, so the children of
- Israel did, and they divided the land.
- 6. Then the children of Judah came unto Joshua
- in Gilgal: and Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite said unto him, Thou
- knowest the thing that
- the LORD said unto
- Moses the man of God
- concerning me and thee in Kadesh-barnea.
- 7. Forty years old was
- I when Moses the servant of the LORD
- sent me from Kadeshbarnea to espy out the
- land; and I brought him word again as it was in mine heart.
- 8. Nevertheless my
- brethren that went up with
 me made the heart of the
 - people melt: but I wholly

■ I followed the LORD my God. CHAPTER 15

- And Moses sware on that day, saying, Surely the land whereon thy feet have trodden shall
- feet have trodden shallbe thine inheritance,

and thy children's for ever,

- because thou hast whollyfollowed the LORD my God.
- 10. **And** now, behold,
- the LORD hath kept
- me alive, as he said,
- these forty and
 - five years, even since the LORD spake this word unto Moses, while the children of Israel wandered in the wilderness:
- and now, io.
- I am this day
- fourscore and
- five years old.
- 11. As yet I am as strong this day as I was in the
 - day that Moses sent me: as my strength was then, even
 - as my strength was then, even so is my strength now, for war, both to go out, and to come in.

 12. Now therefore give me
- 12. Now therefore give rethis mountain, whereof the LORD spake in that day;
- for thou heardest in that day how the Anakims were there, and
- that the cities were great
 and fenced: if so be the
 LORD will be with me, then I
- shall be able to drive them out, as the LORD said.
- 13. And Joshua blessed
 him, and gave unto
- Caleb the son of Jephunneh
 - Hebron for an inheritance.
 - 14. Hebron therefore became the inheritance of Caleb the son of Jephunneh the Kenezite unto this day,
- because that he wholly followed
- the LÓRD God of Israel.
 - 15. And the name of Hebron before was Kirjath-arba; which Arba was a great man among the Anakims.
- And the land had

- 1. This then was the lot of the tribe of the children of Judah by their families; even to the border of Edom the wilderness of Zin southward was the uttermost part of the south coast.
- 2. And their south border was from the shore of the salt sea, from the bay that looketh southward:
- 3. And it went out to the south side to Maaleh-acrabbirn, and passed along to Zin, and ascended up on the south side unto Kadesh-barnea, and passed along to Hezron, and went up to Adar, and fetched a compass to Karkaa:
- 4. From thence it passed toward Azmon, and went out unto the river of Egypt; and the goings out of that coast were at the sea: this shall be your south coast.
- 5. And the east border was the salt sea, even unto the end of Jordan. And their border in the north quarter was from the bay of the sea at the uttermost part of Jordan:
- 6. And the border went up to Bethhogla, and passed along by the north of Beth-arabah; and the border went up to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben:
- 7. And the border went up toward Debir from the valley of Achor, and so northward, looking toward Gilgal, that *is* before the going up to Adumnim, which *is* on the south side of the river: and the border passed toward the waters of En-shemesh, and the goings out thereof were at En-rogel:
- 8. And the border went up by the valley of the son of Hinnom unto the south side of the Jebusite; the same is Jerusalem: and the border went up to the top of the mountain that lieth before the valley of Hinnom westward, which is at the end of the valley of the giants northward:
- 9. And the border was drawn from the top of the hill unto the fountain of the water of Nephtoah, and went out to the cities of mount Ephron; and the border was drawn to Baalah, which is Kirjath-jearim:

- 10. And the border compassed from Baalah westward unto mount Seir, and passed along unto the side of mount Jearim, which is Chesalon, on the north side, and went down to Beth-shemesh, and passed on to Timnah:
- 11. And the border went out unto the side of Ekron northward: and the border was drawn to Shicron, and passed along to mount Baalah, and went out unto Jabneel; and the goings out of the border were at the sea.
- 12. And the west border was to the great sea, and the coast thereof. This is the coast of the children of Judah round about according to their families.
- 13. And unto Caleb the son of Jephunneh he gave a part among the children of Judah, according to the commandment of the LORD to Joshua, *even* the city of Arba the father of Anak, which *city is* Hebron.
- 14. And Caleb drove thence the three sons of Anak, Sheshai, and Ahiman, and Talmai, the children of Anak.
 - 15. And he
- Went up thence
- to the inhabitants of Debir:
 and the name of Debir
 before was Kirjath-sepher.
- 16. And Caleb said, He that smiteth Kirjath-sepher, and taketh it.
- to him will I give Achsah ■ my daughter to wife.
- 17. And Othniel
- the son of Kenaz,
- the brother of Caleb, took
 it: and he gave him Achsah
 his daughter to wife.
- 18. And it came to pass.
- as she came unto him, that she moved him to
- ask of her father a field: and she lighted off her ass:
- and Caleb said unto her,
 What wouldest thou?
- 19. Who answered, Give me a blessing; for
- thou hast given me a south

land; give me also springs of water. And he gave her the upper springs, and the nether springs.

- 20. This *is* the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Judah according to their families.
- 21. And the uttermost cities of the tribe of the children of Judah toward the coast of Edom southward were Kabzeel, and Eder, and Jagur,
- 22. And Kinah, and Dimonah, and Adadah,
- 23. And Kedesh, and Hazor, and Ithnan.
- 24. Ziph, and Telem, and Bealoth,
- 25. And Hazor, Hadattah, and Kerioth, and Hezron, which is Hazor.
- 26. Amam, and Shema, and Moladah,
- 27. And Hazar-gaddah, and Heshmon, and Beth-palet,
- 28. And Hazar-shual, and Beersheba, and Bizjothjah,
- 29. Baalah, and lim, and Azem,
- 30. And Eltolad, and Chesil, and Hormah.
- 31. And Ziklag, and Madmannah, and Sansannah.
- 32. And Lebaoth, and Shilhim, and Ain, and Rimmon: all the cities *are* twenty and nine, with their villages:
- 33. And in the valley, Eshtaol, and Zoreah, and Ashnah.
- 34. And Zanoah, and En-gannim, Tappuah, and Enam.
- 35. Jarmuth, and Adullam, Socoh, and Azekah.
- 36. And Sharaim, and Adithaim, and Gederah, and Gederothaim; fourteen cities with their villages:
- 37. Zenan, and Hadashah, and Migdal-gad.
- 38. And Dilean, and Mizpeh, and Joktheel.
- 39. Lachish, and Bozkath, and Eglon,
- 40. And Cabbon, and Lahmam, and Kithlish.
- 41. And Gederoth, Beth-dagon, and Naamah, and Makkedah; sixteen cities with their villages:
- 42. Libnah, and Ether, and Ashan,
- 43. And Jiphtah, and Ashnah, and Nezib,

- 44. And Keilah, and Achzib, and Mareshah; nine cities with their villages:
- 45. Ekron, with her towns and her villages:
- 46. From Ekron even unto the sea, all that *lay* near Ashdod, with their villages:
- 47. Ashdod with her towns and her villages, Gaza with her towns and her villages, unto the river of Egypt, and the great sea, and the border *thereof*: 48. And in the mountains, Shamir, and Jattir, and Socoh.
- 49. And Dannah, and Kirjath-sannah, which is Debir.
- 50. And Anab, and Eshtemoh, and Anim.
- 51. And Goshen, and Holon, and Giloh; eleven cities with their villages:
- 52. Arab, and Dumah, and Eshean, 53. And Janum, and Beth-tappuah, and Aphekah.
- 54. And Humtah, and Kirjath-arba, which *is* Hebron, and Zior; nine cities with their villages:
- 55. Maon, Carmel, and Ziph, and Juttah.
- 56. And Jezreel, and Jokdeam, and Zanoah,
- 57. Cain, Gibeah, and Timnah; ten cities with their villages:
- 58. Halhul, Beth-zur, and Gedor.
- 59. And Maarath, and Beth-anoth, and Eltekon; six cities with their villages:
- 60. Kirjath-baal, which *is* Kirjathjearim, and Rabbah; two cities with their villages:
- 61. In the wilderness, Beth-arabah, Middin, and Secacah.
- 62. And Nibshan, and the city of Salt, and Engedi; six cities with their villages.
- 63. As for the Jebusites
 the inhabitants of
 Jerusalem, the children
 of Judah could not
 drive them out; but
 the Jebusites dwell
 with the children of
 Judah at Jerusalem

■ unto this day.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. And the lot of the children of Joseph fell from Jordan by Jericho, unto the water of Jericho on the east, to the wilderness that goeth up from Jericho throughout mount Beth-el.
- And goeth out from Beth-el to Luz, and passeth along unto the borders of Archi to Ataroth.
- 3. And goeth down westward to the coast of Japhleti, unto the coast of Beth-horon the nether, and to Gezer; and the goings out thereof are at the sea.
- 4. So the children of Joseph, Manasseh and Ephraim, took their inheritance.
- 5. And the border of the children of Ephraim according to their families was *thus*: even the border of their inheritance on the east side was Ataroth-addar, unto Beth-horon the upper:
- And the border went out toward the sea to Michmethah on the north side; and the border went about eastward unto Taanath-shiloh, and passed by it on the east to Janohah;
- And it went down from Janohah to Ataroth, and to Naarath, and came to Jericho, and went out at Jordan.
 The border went out from Tappuah westward unto the river Kanah; and the goings out thereof were at the sea. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Ephraim by their families
- And the separate cities for the children of Ephraim were among the inheritance of the children of Manasseh, all the cities with their villages.
- And they drave not out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer: but the Canaanites dwell among the Ephraimites unto this day, and serve under tribute.

CHAPTER 17

 There was also a lot for the tribe of Manasseh; for he was the firstborn of Joseph; to wit, for Machir the firstborn of Manasseh, the

- father of Gilead: because he was a man of war, therefore he had Gilead and Bashan.
- 2. There was also a lot for the rest of the children of Manasseh by their families; for the children of Abiezer, and for the children of Helek, and for the children of Asriel, and for the children of Shechem, and for the children of Hepher, and for the children of Shemida: these were the male children of Manasseh the son of Joseph by their families.
- 3. But Zelophehad, the son of Hepher, the son of Gilead, the son of Machir, the son of Manasseh, had no sons, but daughters: and these *are* the names of his daughters, Mahlah, and Noah, Hoglah, Milcah, and Tirzah.
- 4. And they came near before Eleazar the priest, and before Joshua the son of Nun, and before the princes, saying, The LORD commanded Moses to give us an inheritance among our brethren. Therefore according to the commandment of the LORD he gave them an inheritance among the brethren of their father.
- 5. And there fell ten portions to Manasseh, beside the land of Gilead and Bashan, which were on the other side Jordan;
- Because the daughters of Manasseh had an inheritance among his sons: and the rest of Manasseh's sons had the land of Gilead.
- 7. And the coast of Manasseh was from Asher to Michmethah, that *lieth* before Shechem; and the border went along on the right hand unto the inhabitants of En-tappuah.
- 8. Now Manasseh had the land of Tappuah: but Tappuah on the border of Manasseh belonged to the children of Ephraim;
- 9. And the coast descended unto the river Kanah, southward of the river: these cities of Ephraim are among the cities of Manasseh: the coast of Manasseh also was on the north side of the river, and the outgoings of it were at the sea:
- 10. Southward it was Ephraim's.

- and northward it was Manasseh's, and the sea is his border; and they met together in Asher on the north, and in Issachar on the east.
- 11. And Manasseh had in Issachar and in Asher Beth-shean and her towns, and Ibleam and her towns, and the inhabitants of Dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of En-dor and her towns, and the inhabitants of Taanach and her towns, and the inhabitants of Megiddo and her towns, even three countries.
- 12. Yet the children of
 Manasseh could not
 drive out the inhabitants
 of those cities; but the
 Canaanites would
 dwell in that land.
- 13. **Yet** it came to pass, when the children of
- Israel were waxen strong, that they put the Canaanites to
- tribute; but did not utterly
- drive them out.
- 14. And the children of
 Joseph spake unto
 Joshua, saying, Why hast
- thou given me but one lot and one portion to inherit.
- seeing I am a great people, forasmuch as the LORD hath blessed me hitherto?
- 15. And Joshua ■ answered them.
- If thou be a great people,
- then get thee up to thewood country, and cut
- down for thyself there in the land of the Perizzites
- and of the giants, if mount Ephraim be too parrow for thee.
- 16. And the children of Joseph said, The hill is
- not enough for us: and all the Canaanites that dwell
- in the land of the valley have chariots of iron, both
 - they who are of Beth-shean and her towns, and they who are of the valley of Jezreel.
- 17. And Joshua spake unto the house of Joseph,

even to Ephraim and to Manasseh,
saying, Thou art a great
people, and hast great power:
thou shalt not have
one lot only:

■ 18. But the mountain shall

be thine; for it *is* a wood. and thou shalt cut it down: and the outgoings of it shall be thine:

for thou shalt drive out the Canaanites, though they have iron chariots, and though they be strong.

CHAPTER 18

1. And the whole
 congregation of the children of
 Israel assembled together
 at Shiloh, and set up the
 tabernacle of the
 congregation there.

■ And the land was

subdued before them.

2 And there remained

among the children of Israel

seven tribes, which had not yet received

their inheritance.
3. And Joshua said

unto the children of Israel,

How long are ye slack to
go to possess the land,

which the LORD God of your fathers hath given you?

4. Give out from among
you three men for each
tribe: and I will send them.

and they shall rise, and go through the land, and describe it according to the

describe it according to the inheritance of them; and

they shall come
again to me.
And they shall

5. And they shall divide it into seven parts: Judah shall abide in their coast on the south, and the house of Joseph shall abide in their coasts on the north.

6. Ye shall therefore describe the land into seven parts, and bring the description hither to me, that I may cast lots for you here before the LORD our God.

7. But the Levites have no part among you; for the priesthood of the LORD is their inheritance: and Gad, and Reuben, and half the tribe of Manasseh, have received their inheritance beyond Jordan on the east, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave them.

8. And the men arose, and went away: and Joshua charged them that went to describe the land, saying,
 Go and walk through

the land, and describe it, and come again to me, that I may here

■ cast lots for you

before the LÓRD in Shiloh.

And the men went and

 And the men went and passed through the land, and described it by cities into seven parts in a book,

and came again toJoshua to the host at Shiloh.

10. And Joshua cast
 lots for them in Shiloh
 before the LORD:

and there Joshua
divided the land

divided the land unto the children of Israel according to their divisions.

11. And the lot of the tribe of the children of Benjamin came up according to their families: and the coast of their lot came forth between the children of Judah and the children of Joseph.

12. And their border on the north side was from Jordan; and the border went up to the side of Jericho on the north side, and went up through the mountains westward; and the goings out thereof were at the wilderness of Beth-aven.

13. And the border went over from thence toward Luz, to the side of Luz, which is Beth-el, southward; and the border descended to Ataroth-adar, near the hill that lieth on the south side of the nether Beth-horon

14. And the border was drawn thence, and compassed the corner of the sea

southward, from the hill that *lieth* before Beth-horon southward; and the goings out thereof were at Kirjathbaal, which *is* Kirjath-jearim, a city of the children of Judah: this was the west quarter.

- 15. And the south quarter was from the end of Kirjath-jearim, and the border went out on the west, and went out to the well of waters of Nephtoah:
- 16. And the border came down to the end of the mountain that *lieth* before the valley of the son of Hinnom, *and* which *is* in the valley of the giants on the north, and descended to the valley of Hinnom, to the side of Jebusi on the south, and descended to En-rogel,
- 17. And was drawn from the north, and went forth to En-shemesh, and went forth toward Geliloth, which is over against the going up of Adummim, and descended to the stone of Bohan the son of Reuben,
- 18. And passed along toward the side over against Arabah northward, and went down unto Arabah:
- 19. And the border passed along to the side of Beth-hoglah northward: and the outgoings of the border were at the north bay of the salt sea at the south end of Jordan: this was the south coast.
- 20. And Jordan was the border of it on the east side. This was the inheritance of the children of Benjamin, by the coasts thereof round about, according to their families.
- 21. Now the cities of the tribe of the children of Benjamin according to their families were Jericho, and Bethhoglah, and the valley of Keziz,
- 22. And Beth-arabah, and Zemaraim, and Beth-el.
- 23. And Avim, and Pharah, and Ophrah,
- 24. And Chephar-haammonai, and Ophni, and Gaba; twelve cities with their villages:
- 25. Gibeon, and Ramah, and Beeroth,
- 26. And Mizpeh, and Chephirah, and Mozah,
- 27. And Rekem, and Irpeel,

and Taralah.

28. And Zelah, Eleph, and Jebusi, which is Jerusalem, Gibeath, and Kirjath; fourteen cities with their villages. This is the inheritance of the children of Benjamin according to their families.

CHAPTER 19

- And the second lot came forth to Simeon, even for the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families: and their inheritance was within the inheritance of the children of Judah.
- 2. And they had in their inheritance Beer-sheba, and Sheba, and Moladah.
- And Hazar-shuai, and Balah, and Azem,
- And Eltolad, and Bethul, and Hormah,
- 5. And Ziklag, and Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-suan,
- 6. And Beth-lebaoth, and Sharuhen; thirteen cities and their villages:
- 7. Ain, Remmon, and Ether, and Ashan: four cities and their villages:
- And all the villages that were round about these cities to Baalath-beer, Ramath of the south. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Simeon according to their families.
- 9. Out of the portion of the children of Judah was the inheritance of the children of Simeon: for the part of the children of Judah was too much for them: therefore the children of Simeon had their inheritance within the inheritance of them.
- 10. And the third lot came up for the children of Zebulun according to their families: and the border of their inheritance was unto Sarid:
- 11. And their border went up toward the sea, and Maralah, and reached to Dabbasheth, and reached to the river that *is* before Jokneam:
- 12. And turned from Sarid eastward toward the sunrising unto the border of Chisloth-tabor, and then goeth out to Daberath, and goeth up to Japhia,
- 13. And from thence passeth on

along on the east to Gittah-hepher, to Ittah-kazin, and goeth out to Remmon-methoar to Neah:

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- 14. And the border compasseth it on the north side to Hannathon: and the outgoings thereof are in the valley of Jiphthah-el:
- 15. And Kattath, and Nahallal, and Shimron, and Idalah, and Beth-lehem: twelve cities with their villages.
- 16. This is the inheritance of the children of Zebulun according to their families, these cities with their villages.
- 17. And the fourth lot came out to Issachar, for the children of Issachar according to their families.
- 18. And their border was toward Jezreel, and Chesulloth, and Shunem,
- 19. And Haphraim, and Shihon, and Anaharath,
- 20. And Rabbith, and Kishion, and Abez,
- 21. And Remeth, and En-gannim, and En-haddah, and Beth-pazzez;
- 22. And the coast reacheth to Tabor, and Shahazimah, and Beth-shemesh; and the outgoings of their border were at Jordan: sixteen cities with their villages.
- 23. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Issachar according to their families, the cities and their villages.
- 24. And the fifth lot came out for the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families.
- And their border was Helkath, and Hali. and Beten, and Achshaph,
 And Alammelech, and Amad, and Misheal; and reacheth to Carmel westward, and to Shihor-libnath;
- 27. And turneth toward the sunrising to Beth-dagon, and reacheth to Zebulun, and to the valley of Jiphthah–el toward the north side of Beth-emek, and Neiel, and goeth out to Cabul on the left hand.
- 28. And Hebron, and Rehob, and Hammon, and Kanah, even unto great Zidon:
- 29. And then the coast turneth to

- Ramah, and to the strong city Tyre; and the coast turneth to Hosah; and the outgoings thereof are at the sea from the coast to Achzib:
- 30. Ummah also, and Aphek, and Rehob: twenty and two cities with their villages.
- 31. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Asher according to their families, these cities with their villages.
- 32. The sixth lot came out to the children of Naphtali, even for the children of Naphtali according to their families.
- 33. And their coast was from Heleph, from Allon to Zaanannim, and Adami, Nekeb, and Jabneel, unto Lakum; and the outgoings thereof were at Jordan:
- 34. And then the coast turneth westward to Aznoth-tabor, and goeth out from thence to Hukkok, and reacheth to Zebulun on the south side, and reacheth to Asher on the west side, and to Judah upon Jordan toward the sunrising.
- 35. And the fenced cities *are* Ziddim, Zer, and Hammath, Bakkath, and Chinnereth.
- 36. And Adamah, and Ramah, and Hazor.
- 37. And Kedesh, and Edrei, and En-hazor,
- 38. And Iron, and Migdal-el, Horem, and Beth-anath, and Beth-shemesh; nineteen cities with their villages.
- 39. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Naphtali according to their families, the cities and their villages.
- 40. And the seventh lot came out for the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families.
- 41. And the coast of their inheritance was Zorah, and Eshtaol, and Ir-shemesh.
- 42. And Shaalabbin, and Ajalon, and Jethlah.
- 43. And Elon, and Thimnathah, and Ekron.
- 44. And Eltekeh, and Gibbethon, and Baalath,
- 45. And Jehud, and Bene-berak,

and Gath-rimmon

46. And Me-jarkon, and Rakkon, with the border before Japho.

47. And the coast of the children of Dan went out *too little* for them: therefore the children of Dan went up to fight against Leshem, and took it, and smote it with the edge of the sword, and possessed it, and dwelt therein, and called Leshem, Dan, after the name of Dan their father.

48. This is the inheritance of the tribe of the children of Dan according to their families, these cities with their villages.

49. When they had made an end of dividing the land for inheritance by their coasts.

the children of Israel gave an inheritance to Joshua the son of Nun among them:

50. According to the word of the LORD they gave him the city which he asked, even
 Timnath-serah in mount

Ephraim: and he built the city, and dwelt therein.

51. These are the inheritances, which Eleazar the priest, and Joshua the son of Nun, and the heads of the fathers of the tribes of the children of Israel, divided for an inheritance by lot in Shiloh before the LORD, at the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

So they made an end of dividing the country.

CHAPTER 20

1. The LORD also spake unto Joshua, saying,
2. Speak to the children of Israel, saying, Appoint out for you cities of refuge, whereof I spake unto you by the hand of Moses:

3. That the slayer that killeth any person unawares and unwittingly may flee thither:
and they shall be your refuge from the avenger of blood.

4. And when he that doth flee unto one of those

cities shall stand at the entering of the gate of the city, and shall declare his cause in the ears of

cause in the ears of the elders of that city.

they shall take him into the city unto them,

and give him a place, that

he may dwell among them.5. And if the avenger of blood

5. And if the avenger of blood
 pursue after him, then
 they shall not deliver the

slayer up into his hand;

because he smote his
 neighbour unwittingly, and
 hated him not beforetime.

6. And he shall dwell in that city, until he
 stand before the

congregation for judgment,
 and until the death of the
 high priest that shall be in

those days: then shall the slayer return, and come unto his own city, and unto his own house.

unto the city from

whence he fled.

7. And they appointed Kedesh in Galilee

in mount Naphtali, and

Shechem in mount Ephraim,

■ and Kirjath-arba, which is

Hebron, in the mountain of Judah.

8. And on the other side

8. **And** on the other side **Jordan** by Jericho

Jordan by Jericho eastward, they assigned

■ Bezer

in the wilderness upon the plain out of the tribe of Reuben, and

Ramoth in Gilead out of the tribe of Gad.

and Golan in Bashan out of the tribe of Manasseh.

9. These were the cities appointed for all

the children of

■ Israel, and for the stranger
■ that sojourneth among
■ them that whosever

them, that whosoever killeth any person at unawares

might flee thither, and not die by the hand of the avenger of blood,

until he stood before

|■| the congregation.

CHAPTER 21

- I 1. Then came near the
- heads of the fathers
- of the Levites unto Eleazar
- the priest, and unto
- Joshua the son of Nun,
- and unto the heads of the fathers
- of the tribes of the children of Israel:
- And they spake unto them at Shiloh in the land of Canaan,
- saying, The LORD commanded

by the hand of Moses

- to give us cities to dwell in, with the suburbs thereof for our cattle.
- 3. And the children of Israelgave unto the Levites out
- of their inheritance, at the commandment of
- the LORD, these cities and their suburbs.
 - 4. And the lot came out for the families of the Kohathites: and the children of Aaron the priest, which were of the Levites, had by lot out of the tribe of Judah, and out of the tribe of Simeon, and out of the tribe of Benjamin, thirteen cities.
 - And the rest of the children of Kohath had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Ephraim, and out of the tribe of Dan, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh, ten cities.
 - 6. And the children of Gershon had by lot out of the families of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the half tribe of Manasseh in Bashan, thirteen cities.
 - 7. The children of Merari by their families had out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun, twelve cities.
 - And the children of Israel gave by lot unto the Levites these cities with their suburbs, as the LORD commanded by the hand of Moses.
 - 9. And they gave out of the tribe

- of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon, these cities which are here mentioned by name.
- 10. Which the children of Aaron, being of the families of the Kohathites, who were of the children of Levi, had: for theirs was the first lot.
- 11. And they gave them the city of Arba the father of Anak, which city is Hebron, in the hill country of Judah, with the suburbs thereof round about it.
- But the fields of the city, and the villages thereof, gave they to Caleb the son of Jephunneh for his possession.
- 13. Thus they gave to the children of Aaron the priest Hebron with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Libnah with her suburbs,
- 14. And Jattir with her suburbs, and Eshtemoa with her suburbs,
- 15. And Holon with her suburbs, and Debir with her suburbs,
- And Ain with her suburbs, and Juttah with her suburbs, and Bethshemesh with her suburbs; nine cities out of those two tribes.
- And out of the tribe of Benjamin, Gibeon with her suburbs, Geba with her suburbs,
- 18. Anathoth with her suburbs, and Almon with her suburbs; four cities.
- All the cities of the children of Aaron, the priests, were thirteen cities with their suburbs.
- 20. And the families of the children of Kohath, the Levites which remained of the children of Kohath, even they had the cities of their lot out of the tribe of Ephraim.
- For they gave them Shechem with her suburbs in mount Ephraim, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Gezer with her suburbs,
- 22. And Kibzaim with her suburbs, and Beth-horon with her suburbs; four cities.
- 23. And out of the tribe of Dan, Eltekeh with her suburbs, Gibbethon with her suburbs.

- 24. Aijalon with her suburbs, Gathrimmon with her suburbs; four cities.
- And out of the half tribe of Manasseh, Tanach with her suburbs, and Gath-rimmon with her suburbs; two cities.
- 26. All the cities *were* ten with their suburbs for the families of the children of Kohath that remained.
- children of Kohath that remained. 27. And unto the children of Gershon, of the families of the Levites, out of the other half tribe of Manasseh they gave Golan in Bashan with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Beeshterah with her suburbs; two cities.
- 28. And out of the tribe of Issachar, Kishon with her suburbs, Dabareh with her suburbs,
- Jarmuth with her suburbs, Engannim with her suburbs; four cities.
 And out of the tribe of Asher, Mishal with her suburbs, Abdon with her suburbs,
- 31. Helkath with her suburbs, and Rehob with her suburbs; four cities.
 32. And out of the tribe of Naphtali, Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Hammoth-dor with her suburbs, and Kartan with her suburbs; three cities.
 33. All the cities of the Gershonites according to their families were
- according to their families were thirteen cities with their suburbs.

 34. And unto the families of the children of Merari, the rest of the Levites, out of the tribe of Zebulun, Jokneam with her suburbs, and Kartah with her suburbs.
- 35. Dimnah with her suburbs, Nahalal with her suburbs; four cities.
- 36. And out of the tribe of Reuben, Bezer with her suburbs, and Jahazah with her suburbs,
- 37. Kedemoth with her suburbs, and Mephaath with her suburbs; four cities
- 38. And out of the tribe of Gad, Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, to be a city of refuge for the slayer; and Mahanaim with her suburbs,
- 39. Heshbon with her suburbs, Jazer

- with her suburbs; four cities in all. 40. So all the cities for the children of Merari by their families, which were remaining of the lamilies of the Levites, were *by* their lot twelve cities.
- 41. All the cities of the
- Levites within the possession of the children of Israel
- were forty and eight cities with their suburbs.
 - 42. These cities were every one with their suburbs round about them: thus were all these cities.
- 43. And the LORD gave unto Israel all the land
- which he sware to give unto their fathers; and they possessed it, and dwelt therein.
- 44. And the LORD gave
- them rest round about, according to all that he sware unto their fathers:
- and there stood not a man
- of all their enemies before them; the LORD delivered all
- their enemies into their hand.

 45. There failed not aught
- of any good thing which the LORD had spoken
- unto the house of
- Israel; all came to pass.

CHAPTER 22

- | 1. Then Joshua called the
- Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the half
- I tribe of Manasseh.
- 2. And said unto them,
- Ye have kept all that
- Moses the servant of the LORD
- commanded you, andhave obeyed my voice
 - in all that I commanded you:
 - Ye have not left your brethren these many days unto this day, but have kept the charge of the commandment of the LORD your God.
- 4. And now the LORD your
- God hath given rest
- unto your brethren, as he promised them:
- therefore now

the land of their

possession, whereof they were

357 return ye, and get you unto your tents, and unto the land of your possession, which Moses the servant of the LORD gave you on the other side Jordan. 5. But take diligent heed to do the commandment and the law, which Moses the servant of the LORD charged you, to love the LORD your God. and to walk in all his ways. and to keep his commandments. and to cleave unto him. and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul. 6. So Joshua blessed them, and sent them away: and they went unto their tents. 7. Now to the one half of the tribe of Manasseh Moses had given possession in Bashan: but unto the other half thereof gave Joshua among their brethren on this side Jordan westward. And when Joshua sent them away also unto their tents, then he blessed them, 8. And he spake unto them. saying, Return with much riches unto your tents. and with very much . cattle, with silver, and with gold, and with brass, and with iron, and with very much raiment: divide the spoil of your enemies with your brethren. 9. And the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe

of Manasseh returned.

and departed from the children

of Israel out of Shiloh, which

is in the land of Canaan,

■ **to** go unto the country of

■ Gilead, to

possessed, according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses. 10. And when they came unto the borders of Jordan, that are in the land of Canaan. the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh **built** there an altar. by Jordan, a areat altar to see to. 11. And the children of Israel heard say. Behold, the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of Manasseh have built an altar over against the land of Canaan. in the borders of Jordan. at the passage of the children of Israel. 12. And when the children of Israel heard of it, the whole congregation of the children of Israel aathered themselves together at Shiloh. to ao up to war against them. 13. And the children of Israel sent unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh, into the land of Gilead. Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest. 14. And with him ten princes, of each chief house a prince throughout all the tribes of Israel: and each one was an head of the house of their fathers among the thousands of Israel. 15. And they came unto the children of Reuben, and to the children of Gad, and to the half tribe of Manasseh. unto the land of Gilead.

and they

spake with them, saving. 16. Thus saith the whole congregation of the LORD. What trespass is this that ve have committed against the God of Israel, to turn away this day from following the LORD, in that ve have builded you an altar.

that ye might rebel this day against the LORD?

17. Is the iniquity of Peor too little for us, from which we are not cleansed until this day, although there was a plague in the congregation of the LORD, 18. But that ye must turn away

18. But that ye must turn away this day from following the LORD? and it will be, seeing ye rebel to day against

the LORD, that to-morrow he
 will be wroth with the
 whole congregation of Israel.

19. Notwithstanding, if the land of your possession

be unclean, then pass ye over unto the land of the possession of the LORD,

wherein the LORD's tabernacle dwelleth, and take possession amona

us: but rebel not against the LORD, nor rebel against us,

in building you an altar beside the altar of the LORD our God.

20. Did not Achan the son of Zerah commit a trespass in the accursed thing, and wrath fell on all the congregation of Israel? and that man perished not alone in his iniquity.

21. **Then** the children of

Reuben and the children of Gad and the half tribe of

Manasseh answered, and
said unto the heads of
the thousands of Israel.

22. **The LORD God** of gods, the LORD God of gods, he

knoweth, and Israel he shall know; if it be in rebellion, or if in

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transgression against the LORD. (save us not this day,)

23. That we have built us an altar to turn from following

the LORD, or if to offer thereon burnt offering or meat offering, or if to offer peace offerings thereon, let the LORD himself.

■ let the LORD himself ■ require *it*:

■ 24. And if we have not rather

done it for fear of this thing,
 saying, in time to come

your children might speak unto our children, saying,

What have ye to do with the LORD God of Israel?

25. For the LORD hath madeJordan a border between

us and you, ye children
of Reuben and children of Gad;
ye have no part in the LORD:
so shall your children make our
children cease from fearing the LORD.

■ 26. Therefore we said,

■ Let us now prepare to

■ **build** us

an altar, not for burnt
 offering, nor for sacrifice:
 27. But that it may be a

27. But that it may be a witness between us, and

you, and our generations after us, that we might do the

service of the LORD before him with our burnt offerings,

and with our sacrifices, and with our peace offerings;

that your children may not say to our children in time to come,

■ Ye have no part■ in the LORD.

28. Therefore said we, that it shall be, when they should so say to us or to our generations in time to come, that we may say again,

■ Behold the pattern of

the altar of the LORD,
which our fathers made.

not for burnt offerings, nor for sacrifices: but

it is a witness between us and you.

■ 29. God forbid that we

should rebel against

- the LORD, and turn this day from following the LORD.
- to build an altar for burnt offerings, for meat offerings, or for sacrifices.
- beside the altar of
- the LORD our God
- that is before his tabernacie.
- 30. And when
- Phinehas the priest.
- and the princes of the congregation and heads of the thousands of Israel which were with him
- heard the words that the children of Reuben and the children of Gad and the children of Manasseh spake.
- it pleased them.
- 31. And Phinehas the
 - son of Eleazar the priest
- said unto the children of Reuben. and to the children of Gad, and to the children of Manasseh. This day we perceive that the LORD is among us, because
- ve have not committed this trespass against the LORD: now ve have
- delivered the children of
- israel out of the hand of the LORD.
- 32. And Phinehas the son of Eleazar the priest.
- and the princes returned from the children of Reuben, and from the children of Gad. out of the land of Gilead.
- unto the land of
- Canaan, to the children of Israel, and brought them word again.
- 33. And the thing
 - pleased the children of
- Israel: and the children of
- Israel blessed God, and did not intend to go up
- against them in battle, to destroy the land wherein the children of Reuben and Gad dwelt.
 - 34. And the children of
 - Reuben and the children of

- Gad called the altar Ed:
- for it shall be a witness between us that the
- LORD is God.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. And it came to pass
- a long time after that the LÖRD had given
- rest unto Israel from all their enemies round about, that
 - Joshua waxed old
 - and stricken in age.
- And Joshua called for all Israel, and for their elders. and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers.
- and said unto them.
- I am old and stricken in age:
- 3. And ye have seen all that the LORD your God
- hath done unto all these
- nations because of vou: for the LORD your
 - God is he that hath
 - fought for you.
- 4. Behold, I have divided unto you
- by lot these nations
- that remain, to be an inheritance for your tribes,
 - from Jordan, with all the nations that I have cut off, even unto the great sea westward.
 - And the LORD your.
 - God, he
 - shall expel them from before you, and
 - drive them from out of your sight:
 - and ye shall possess
 - their land, as the LORD your God hath promised unto you.
 - 6. **Be** ye therefore
 - very courageous to keep and
 - to do all that is written in the book

 - of the law of Moses.
 - that ve turn not
 - aside therefrom to the right hand or to the left:
 - 7. That ye come not among these nations.
 - these that remain among you;

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	neither make mention of	
	the name of their gods	i,
	nor cause to swear by them,	
	serve them,	
	nor bow yourselves	
	unto them:	
	8. But cleave unto the	
	LORD your God, as ye have	
	done unto this day.	
П	9. For the LORD hath	
	driven out from before you	
П	great nations and	
l	strong: but as for you,	
	no man hath been	
	able to stand before	
	you unto this day.	
	10. One man of you sh	
	chase a thousand: for	the
	LORD your God, he it is that	
	i fighteth for you, as	
	he hath promised you.	

■ 11. Take good heed

■ I that ye love the

■ LORD your God.

therefore unto yourselves,

unto the remnant of these

■ make marriages with them.

and go in unto them, and they to you:

these nations from before you; but they shall be snares

and traps unto you, and scourges in your sides, and thorns in your eyes,

until ye perish from off this good land which the LORD your

■ 12. Else if ye do in any wise go back, and cleave

nations, even these that

13. Know for a certainty

■ God will no more drive

that the LORD your

God hath given you.

14. And, behold, this day

I am going the way

of all the earth: and

■ | ye know in all your hearts

and in all your souls, that not one thing hath

failed of all the good things

which the LORD your God

remain among you,

and shall

out any of

one thing hath failed thereof. 15. Therefore it shall come to pass. that as all good things are come upon you, which the LORD your God promised you; so shall the LORD bring upon you all evil things, until he have destroyed **YOU** from off this good land which the LORD your God hath given you. 16. When ye have transgressed the covenant of the LORD your God, which he commanded you, and have gone and served other gods. and bowed yourselves to them; then shall the anger of the LORD be kindled against you, and ye shall perish quickly from off the good land which he hath given unto you.

spake concerning you; all are come to pass unto you, and not

CHAPTER 24 1. And Joshua aathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and called for the elders of Israel, and for their heads, and for their judges, and for their officers; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said unto all the people. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. Your fathers dwelt on the other side of the **flood** in old time, even Terah, the father of Abraham, and the father of Nachor: and they served other gods. And I took your father. Abraham from the other side of the flood. and led him throughout all the land of Canaan, and

multiplied his seed.

361 and gave him Isaac. 4. And I gave unto ■ Isaac Jacob and ■ Esau: and I gave unto Esau mount Seir, to possess it: but Jacob and his children went down into Egypt. 5. I sent Moses also and Aaron, and I plagued Equpt, according to that which I did among them: and afterward I brought you out. 6. And I brought your fathers out of Egypt: and ye came unto the sea; and the Egyptians pursued after vour fathers with chariots and horsemen unto the Red sea. 7. And when they cried unto the LORD, he put darkness between you and the Egyptians, and brought the sea upon them, and covered them; and your eyes have seen what I have done in Egypt: and ve dwelt in the ■ wilderness a long season. 8. And I brought you into the land of the Amorites. which dwelt on the other side Jordan; and they fought with you: and I gave them into your hand, that ve might possess their land; and I destroyed them from before you. 9. Then Balak the son of Zippor, king of Moab, arose and warred against Israel. and sent and called Balaam the son of Beor to curse you: 10. But I would not hearken unto Balaam; therefore he blessed you still: so I delivered you ■ out of his hand. 11. And you went over

Jordan, and

and the men of

came unto Jericho:

Jericho fought against

you, the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Canaanites, and the Hittites, and the Girgashites, the Hivites, and the Jebusites: and I delivered them into your hand. 12. And I sent the hornet before you. which drave them **out** from before you, even the two kings of the Amorites: but not with thy sword, nor with thy bow. 13. And I have given you a land for which ve did not labour, and cities which ye built not, and ve dwell in them; of the vineyards and oliveyards which ye planted not do ye eat. 14. Now therefore fear the LORD, and serve him in sincerity and in truth: and put away the gods which your fathers served on the other side of the flood, and in Egypt: and serve ve the LORD. 15. And if it seem evil unto you to serve the LORD, choose you this day whom ye will serve; whether the gods which your fathers served that were on the other side of the flood, or the gods of the Amorites. in whose land ye dwell: but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD. 16. And the people answered and said. God forbid that we 8 should forsake the LORD, to serve other gods; 17. For the LORD our God, he it. is that brought us up and our fathers out of the land of Egypt, from the house of bondage, and which did those great signs in our sight, and preserved us in all the way wherein we went, and among all

- the people through whom we passed:

 18. And the LORD drave out
 from before us all the
 - people, even the Amorites which dwelt in the land: therefore will we also serve the LORD: for he is our God.
- 19. And Joshua said unto the people,
- Ye cannot serve the LORD:
 for he is an holy God; he is a jealous
 God; he will not forgive your
 transgressions nor your sins.
 20. If ye forsake the LORD,
- 20. If ye forsake the LORD,
 and serve strange gods,
 then he will turn and do you hurt,
 and consume you, after that he
- hath done you good.

 21. And the people

 said unto Joshua,
- Nay; but we will serve the LORD.

 22. And Joshua
- said unto the people,
- Ye are witnesses against yourselves
- that ye have chosen you the LORD, to serve him.
- And they said, We are witnesses.
 - 23. Now therefore put away, said he, the strange gods which are among you, and incline your heart unto the LORD God of Israel.
- 24. And the people
 said unto Joshua,
 The LORD our God will
 we serve, and his voice
 will we obey.
 - 25. So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and set them a statute and an ordinance in Shechem.
- 26. And Joshua wrote
 these words in the
 book of the law of God,
 and took a great stone,
 and set it up there under

- an oak, that was by the sanctuary of the LORD.
- 27. **And Joshua said** unto all the people, Behold,
- this stone shall be a
 witness unto us; for it hath
 heard all the words of the LORD
 which he spake unto us: it shall
 be therefore a witness unto you,
 lest ye deny your God.
- 28. So Joshua let the people depart, every man
- unto his inheritance.

 29. And it came to pass
- after these things, that
- Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD,
- died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.
- 30. And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in Timnath-serah, which is in mount Ephraim, on the north side of the hill of Gaash
- 31. And Israel served the
 LORD all the days of
 Joshua, and all the days of
 the elders that overlived
- Joshua, and which had known all the works of the LORD, that he had done for Israel.
- 32. And the bones of Joseph, which the children of Israel brought up out of Egypt,
- buried they in Shechem, in a parcel of ground which Jacob bought of the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for an hundred pieces of silver: and it became the inheritance of the children of Joseph.
- 33. And Eleazar the son of Agron died; and they
- buried him in a hill that pertained to Phinehas his son, which was given him
- in mount Ephraim.

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CHAPTER 1

- Now after the death of Joshua it came to pass, that the children of Israel asked the LORD, saying, Who shall go up for us against the Canaanites first, to fight against them?
- And the LORD said. Judah shall go up: behold,
- I have delivered the land into his hand.
- 3 And Judah said
- unto Simeon his brother. Come up
 - with me into my lot, that we may fight against the Canaanites: and I likewise will go with thee into thy lot.
- So Simeon went with him.
- 4. And Judah went up:
- and the LORD delivered the Canaanites and the
- Perizzites into their hand: and they slew of them in Bezek
- ten thousand men.
- 5. And they found
- Adoni-bezek in Bezek: and thev
- | fought against
 - him, and they slew the Canaanites and the Perizzites.
- 6. But Adoni-bezek fled: and they pursued after him, and caught him, and cut off his
 - thumbs and his great toes. 7. And Adoni-bezek said. Threescore
 - and ten kings, having their thumbs and their great toes cut off, gathered their meat under my table: as I have done, so God hath requited me.
- And they brought him to Jerusalem, and there he died.
- 8. Now the children of
- Judah had
- fought against Jerusalem, and had taken it, and smitten it with the edge of the sword.
- and set the city on fire.
 - 9. And afterward the children of Judah
 - went down to fight against

- the Canaanites, that dwelt in the mountain, and in the south, and in the valley. 10. And Judah went against the Canaanites that dwelt in Hebron: (now the name of Hebron before was Kiriath-arba:) and they slew Sheshai.
- and Ahiman, and Talmai.
- 11. And from thence he went against
- the inhabitants of
- Debir: and the name of Debir before was Kirjath-sepher:
- 12. And Caleb said,
 - He that smiteth
- Kirigth-sepher, and taketh it, to him
- will I aive Achsah my daughter to wife.
- 13. And Othniel
- the son of Kenaz.
- Caleb's younger brother, took it: and he gave him
 - Achsah his daughter to wife.
- 14. And it came to pass,
- when she came to him, that she moved him to ask of her father a field; and she
- lighted from off her ass; and Caleb said unto her. What wilt thou?
 - And she said unto him. Give me a blessing: for thou hast given me a south land; give me also springs of water.
- And Caleb gave her the upper springs
- and the nether springs.
- 16. And the
- children of the Kenite.
- Moses' father in law, went up out of the city of palm trees with the children of Judah
- into the wilderness of
- Judah, which lieth in the
- south of Arad; and they went and dwelt among
- the people.
- And Judah went
- with Simeon his brother, and thev
 - slew the Canaanites that inhabited Zephath, and utterly
 - destroyed it. And the name of

the city was
 called Hormah.
 18. Also Judah took Gaza with the coast thereof,
 and Askelon with the coast thereof

and Ekron with the coast thereof.

19. And the LORD was with Judah: and he

drave out the inhabitants of

the mountain; but could not drive out the inhabitants of

the valley, because they had chariots of iron.

20. And they gave Hebronunto Caleb, as Moses

said: and he expelled thence the three sons of Anak.

21. And the children of Benjamin did not drive out the Jebusites that

inhabited Jerusalem; but the Jebusites dwell with the children of Benjamin in Jerusalem unto this day.

22. And the house
 of Joseph, they also
 went up against Beth-el:

and the LORD was with them.

23. And the house of Joseph sent to descry Beth-el. (Now the name of the city before was Luz.)

■ 24. **And** the

spies saw a man come forth out of the city, and

they said unto him.

Shew us, we pray thee,

■ the entrance into the

city, and we will shew

■ thee mercy.

■ 25. And when he shewed them the entrance into the

them the entrance into the city, they smote the city with

the edge of the sword;

■ **but** they

■ let go the man and all

■ his family.

■ 26. And the man went into the land of the Hittites.

and built a city, and

■ called the name thereof

Luz: which *is* the name there of unto this day.

27. Neither did Manasseh
 drive out the inhabitants of
 Beth-shean and her towns, nor
 Taanach and her towns,
 nor the inhabitants of

Dor and her towns.

nor the inhabitants of

Ibleam and her towns,nor the inhabitants of

Megiddo and her towns:

but the Canaanites would

dwell in that land.

28. **And** it came to pass, when **Israel** was strong. That they

put the Canaanites to tribute, and did not utterly drive them out.

29. Neither did Ephraim drive out the Canaanites that dwelt in Gezer:

but the Canaanites dwell in Gezer among them.

30. Neither did Zebulun drive out the inhabitants of

Kitron, nor the inhabitants of
 Nahalol; but the Canaanites dwelt among them, and became tributaries.

31. Neither did Asher drive out the inhabitants of

Accho, nor the inhabitants of

■ Accho, nor the Zidon, nor of

Ahlab, nor of Achzib, nor of

Helbah. nor of

■ Aphik, nor of Rehob:

■ 32 But the Asherites dwelt among the Canaanites

the inhabitants of the land: for they did not drive them out.

for they did not drive them out.

33. Neither did Naphtali

drive out the inhabitants of Beth-shemesh,

■ **nor** the inhabitants of

Beth-anath; but he dweltamong the Canaanites.

the inhabitants of the land: nevertheless the inhabitants of Bethshemesh and of Beth-anath became tributaries unto them.

34. And the Amorites forced the children of

Dan into the mountain:

for they would not suffer them

to come down to the valley:

35 But the Amorites would dwell in mount

■ Heres in Aijalon.

and in

Shaalbim: yet the

hand of

the house of Joseph prevailed, so that they

became tributaries.

36. And the coast of the Amorites was from the going up to Akrabbim, from the rock, and upward.

CHAPTER 2

■ 1 1. And an angel of the

LORD came up from Gilgal to Bochim, and said, I made you to go up out of

■ Egypt, and have brought you

■ Lunto the land which

■ I sware unto your ■ I fathers: and I said.

■ I will never break my

■ | covenant with you.

■ 2. And ye shall make no

■ | league with the inhabitants of this land; ye shall throw

■ down their altars: but ye ■ have not obeyed my voice:

why have ye done this?

3. Wherefore I also said.

■ I will not drive them

out from before you;

■ but they shall be as ■ | thorns in your sides,

■ and their gods shall be a snare unto you.

And it came to pass,

when the angel of the LORD spake these words

unto all the children of Israel, that the people lifted up their voice, and

wept.

5. And they called

■ I the name of that

place Bochim: and ■ they sacrificed there

unto the LORD.

6. And when Joshua had

let the people go, the children of Israel went every

man unto his inheritance to possess the land.

7. And the people served

the LORD all the days of Joshua, and all the days of

the elders that outlived Joshua.

who had seen all

the great

works of the LORD. that he did for Israel.

8. And Joshua the son of Nun, the servant of the LORD.

died, *being* an hundred and ten years old.

And they buried him in the border of his inheritance in

Timnath-heres, in the

mount of

Ephraim, on the north side of the hill Gaash.

10 And also

all that generation were gathered unto their fathers:

and there arose another

generation after them.

which knew not

the LORD, nor yet

the works which he had done for Israel.

And the children of Israel did evil in the

sight of the LORD. and served Baalim:

12. And they forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them out of the land of Egypt, and followed other gods, of the gods of the people that were round about them, and bowed themselves unto them, and provoked the LORD to anger.

And they forsook the LORD, and served Baal and Ashtaroth.

14. And the anger of the LORD was hot against

Israel, and he delivered

them into the hands of spoilers that spoiled them, and

he sold them into the hands of their enemies round about. so that they could not any longer

stand before their enemies. 15. Whithersoever

they went out. the hand of the LORD was **against them** for evil, as the LORD had said, and as the

LORD had sworn unto them: and they were greatly distressed.

16. Nevertheless the LORD raised up judges, which delivered them out of the hand

of those that spoiled them. 17. And yet they would not hearken

unto their judges, but they went a-whoring after other gods, and bowed themselves unto them; they turned quickly out of the way which their fathers walked in, obeying the commandments of the LORD: but they did not so.

18. And when the LORD raised them up judges, then

the LORD was with the

■ judge, and delivered them out of the hand of their

enemies all the days of the judge: for it repented the LORD

because of their groanings by reason of them that oppressed them and vexed them.

19. And it came to pass.

when the judge was dead, that

they returned, and corrupted

themselves more than their fathers. in following other gods to serve them, and to bow down unto them; they ceased not from their own doings, nor from their stubborn way.

20. And the anger of the LORD was hot against

Israel; and he said. Because that this people hath transgressed my covenant which I commanded their fathers, and have not hearkened unto my voice:

21. Lalso

will not henceforth

■ drive out any from before them of the nations which

Joshua left when he died:

22. That through them I may prove Israel, whether they

will keep the way of the

LORD to walk therein, as their fathers did keep it, or not. 23. Therefore the LORD left those nations, without driving them out hastily; neither delivered he them into the hand of Joshua.

CHAPTER 3

 Now these are the nations which the LORD

left, to prove Israel by them. even as many of Israel as had not known all the wars of Canaan:

2. Only that the generations of the children of Israel might know, to teach them war, at the least such as before knew nothing thereof:

3. Namely, five lords

of the Philistines, and all the Canaanites, and

the Sidonians, and the

Hivites that dwelt in mount

Lebanon, from mount Baal-hermon unto the entering in of Hamath.

> 4. And they were to prove Israel by them, to know whether they would hearken unto the commandments of the LORD, which he commanded their fathers by the hand of Moses.

And the children of

Israel dwelt among the Canaanites, Hittites, and

Amorites, and

Perizzites, and

Hivites, and Jebusites:

6. **And** thev

took their daughters to be their wives, and gave their daughters to their sons.

and served their gods.

And the children of

Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD, and forgat the LORD their God,

and served Baalim and the groves.

8. Therefore the anger of

> the LORD was hot against Israel, and he

sold them into the hand of Chushan-rishathaim

king of Mesopotamia:

and the children of

Israel served Chushan-rishathaim eight years. 9. And when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD. the LORD raised up a deliverer to the children of Israel, who delivered them. even Othniel the son of Kenaz, Caleb's younger brother. 10. And the spirit of the LORD came upon him. and he judged Israel, and went out to war: and the LORD delivered Chushan-rishathaim king of Mesopotamia into his hand; and his hand prevailed against Chushan-rishathaim. 11. And the land had rest forty years. And Othniel the son of Kenaz died 12. And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD: and the LORD strengthened Eglon the king of Mogb against Israel, because they had done evil in the sight of the LORD. 13. And he gathered unto him the children of Ammon and Amalek, and went and smote Israel, and possessed the city of palm trees. 14. So the children of Israel served Eglon the king of Moab eighteen years. 15. But when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD. the LORD raised them up a deliverer, Ehud the son of Gera, a Benjamite, a man lefthanded: and by him the children of Israel sent a present unto ■ Eglon the king of Mogb. 16. **But Ehud made him** a dagger which had two edges, of a cubit length:

and he did gird it under his

raiment upon his right thigh.

17. And he brought the present unto Eglon king of Moab: and Egion was a very fat man. 18. And when he had made an end to offer the present, he sent away the people that bare the present. 19. But he himself turned again from the quarries that were by Gilgal, and said. I have a secret errand unto thee. O king: who said, Keep silence. And all that stood by him went out from him 20. And Ehud came unto him; and he was sitting in a summer parlour. which he had for himself alone. And Ehud said. I have a message from God unto thee. And he arose out of his seat. 21. And Ehud put forth his left hand, and took the dagger from his right thigh. and thrust it into his belly: 22. And the haft also went in after the blade; and the fat closed upon the blade, so that he could not draw the dagger out of his belly; and the dirt came out. 23. Then Ehud went forth through the porch, and shut the doors of the parlour upon him. and locked them. 24. When he was gone out, his servants came; and when they saw that, behold, the doors of the parlour were locked, they said. Surely he covereth his feet in his summer chamber. 25. And they tarried till they were ashamed: and, behold, he opened not the doors of the parlour; therefore they took a key, and opened them: and, behold, their lord was fallen down dead on the earth. 26. And Ehud escaped while they tarried, and passed beyond the

quarries, and escaped

unto Seirath.

27 And it came to pass. when he was come, that

he blew a trumpet in the

mountain of Ephraim.

and the children of

Israel went down

with him from the mount. and he before them

28 And he said unto them

Follow after me: for the LORD hath delivered

vour enemies

the Moabites into your

hand. And they

went down after him, and

took the fords of Jordan

toward Moab, and suffered not a man to pass over.

29. And they slew

of Moab at that time

about ten thousand

men, all lusty, and all

men of valour; and there escaped not a man.

30. So Moab was subdued

that day under the hand of Israel And the land had rest

fourscore years.

31. And after him was

Shamgar the son of Anath. ■ which slew of the

Philistines six hundred

men with an ox goad: and he also delivered Israel.

CHAPTER 4

1. And the children of

Israel again did

evil in the sight of the LORD.

when Ehud was dead.

2. And the LORD sold them

into the hand of Jabin kina

of Canaan, that reigned in Hazor;

the captain of whose host was Sisera, which dwelt in

Harosheth of the Gentiles

3. And the children of

Israel cried unto the LORD:

for he had nine hundred

chariots of iron:

and twenty years

■ he mightily

oppressed the children of Israel.

And Deborah.

a prophetess.

the wife of Lapidoth, she

iudged Isrgel at that time.

5. And she dwelt under the palm tree of Deborah between Ramah and Beth-el in mount Ephraim: and the children of Israel came up to her for judgment.

6 And she sent and

called Barak the son of Abinoam out of Kedesh-naphtali.

and said unto him.

Hath not the LORD God of Israel

commanded, saying,

Go and draw

toward mount Tabor.

and take with thee

ten thousand

men of the children

of Naphtali and of the children of

Zebulun?

And I will draw unto

thee to the river Kishon Sisera.

the captain of Jabin's army, with his chariots and

his multitude:

and I will deliver

him into thine hand.

And Barak said unto her. If thou wilt go with me,

then I will go: but if thou wilt

not go with me, then I will not go.

And she said, I will surely go with thee:

notwithstanding the journey that thou takest shall not be for thine honour:

for the LORD shall sell

Sisera into the hand of

a woman. And Deborah arose, and

went with Barak to Kedesh.

And Barak called Zebulun and Naphtali to Kedesh; and he went up with ten thousand men at his feet: and Deborah went up with him.

Now Heber the Kenite.

which was of the children of Hobab the father in

law of Moses, had severed

himself from the Kenites, and pitched his tent unto the plain of Zaanaim, which is by Kedesh.

12. And they shewed Sisera that Barak the son of Abinoam

was gone up to

mount Tabor.

 13. And Sisera gathered together all his chariots, even nine hundred chariots of iron.

and all the people that were with him, from Harosheth of the

Gentiles unto the river of Kishon.

14. And Deborah said

unto Barak, Up; for this is the day in which

the LORD hath delivered

Sisera into thine hand: is not the LORD gone out before thee?

■ So Barak went

down from mount Tabor, and ten thousand

men after him.

discomfited Sisera, and all

his chariots, and all

his host, with the edge of the sword before Barak:

sword before Barak; so that Sisera lighted

down off his chariot, and

fled away on his feet.

16. But Barak pursued after the chariots, and after the host,
 unto Harosheth of the Gentiles:

unto Harosheth of the Gentiles: and all the host of Sisera

fell upon the edge of the sword; and there was not a man left.

■ 17. Howbeit Sisera

■ **fled** away on his feet

to the tent of Jael the wife
 of Heber the Kenite: for there
 was peace between Jabin the

was peace between Jabin the king of Hazor and the house of Heber the Kenite.

■ 18. And Jael went out ■ to meet Sisera, and

■ said unto him, Turn in, my lord,

turn in to me; fear not.

And when he had turned in unto her into the tent,

she covered him with a mantle.

1 | 19. And he said unto her,

Give me, I pray thee,
a little water to drink;

for I am thirsty.

And she opened a bottle of milk, and

gave him drink, and covered him.

20. Again he said unto her,

Stand in the door of the tent,

and it shall be,

when any man doth

come and inquire of thee,and say. Is there any

man here? that thou shalt

■ say<u>,</u> No.

■ 21. **Then Jael** Heber's wife

■ took a nail of the tent,

■ and took an

■ hammer in her hand,

and went softly unto him,

and smote the nail into his temples, and fastened it

into the ground: for he was fast asleep and weary. So he died.

as Barak pursued Sisera,
 Jael came out to meet him, and said unto him, Come, and I will shew thee the man whom thou seekes!

And when he came into her tent, behold,

Sisera lay dead, and the nail was in his temples.

■ 23. **So God**

■ subdued on that day

Jabin the king of Canaan

before the children of

■ Israel.

24. **And** the hand of the children of

Israel prospered, and prevailed against Jabin

the king of Canaan, until they had destroyed Jabin king of Canaan.

CHAPTER 5

1. Then sang Deborah and Barak the son of

Abinoam on that day,

■ saying,

2. Praise ye the LORD for the avenging of Israel,

■ when the people willingly

offered themselves.

3. Hear. Ove

kings; give ear. O ye princes: I. even

■ I, will sing unto

the LORD: I will sing praise to the LORD God of Israel.

4. LORD, when thou wentest out of Seir, when

thou marchedst out of the field of Edom, the earth trembled, and the

heavens dropped, the clouds also dropped water.

5 The mountains melted from before the LORD.

even that

Singi from before the LORD God of Israel.

■ 6. In the days of

Shamgar the son of Anath.

in the days of Jael, the highways were unoccupied, and the

travellers walked through byways.

7. The inhabitants of the villages ceased, they

ceased in Israel, until that
I Deborah arose, that

arose a mother in Israel.

8. They chose new gods; then was war in the gates: was there a shield or spear seen

among forty thousand in Israel?

9. My heart is toward
the governors of Israel,

that offered themselves
 willingly among the
 people. Bless ve the LORD

people. Bless ye the LORD.

■ 10. Speak, ye that ride ■ on white asses, ye

that sit in judgment,

and walk by the way.

11. They that are

delivered from the noise of archers in the places of drawing water, there

shall they rehearse the righteous acts of the

LORD, even the righteous acts toward the inhabitants of his villages in Israel: then shall the people of the LORD go down to the gates.

12. Awake, awake,

Deborah: awake, awake,utter a sona: arise, Barak,

and lead thy captivity
 captive, thou son of Abinoam.
 13 Then he made him that

13. Then he made him that remaineth have dominion over the nobles among

the people: the LORD made me have dominion over the mighty.

14. Out of Ephraim was there a root of them against Amalek; after thee, Benjamin, among thy people; out of Machir came down governors, and out of Zebulun they that handle the pen of the writer.

15. And the princes
 of Issachar were
 with Deborah; even
 Issachar, and also

searchings of heart.

Barak: he was sent on foot into the valley. For the divisions of Reuben there were great thoughts of heart.

16. Why abodest thou among the sheepfolds, to hear the bleatings of the flocks? For the divisions of Reuben there were great

17. Gilead abode beyond Jordan: and why did Dan remain in ships? Asher continued on the sea shore, and abode in his breaches.

18. Zebulun and Naphtali were a people that jeoparded their lives unto the death in the high places of the field.

19. The kings came and fought, then

fought the kings of Canaan in Taanach
by the waters of Megiddo:

■ they took no gain

of money.

■ 20. They fought from

heaven; the stars in their courses fought

against Sisera.

21. The river of Kishon swept them away, that ancient river, the river Kishon.

O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength.

22. Then were

the horsehoofs broken

- by the means of the prancings, the prancings of their mighty ones.
- 23. Curse ye Meroz, said the angel of the LORD, curse ve bitterly the inhabitants thereof;
- because they came not to the help of the LORD, to the help of the LORD against the mighty.
- 24 Blessed above women shall Jael the

wife of Heber the Kenite

be, blessed shall she be above women in the tent. 25. He asked water, and she gave him milk; she brought forth butter in a lordly dish.

26. She put her hand to the nail, and her right hand to the workmen's hammer: and

- with the hammer she smote Sisera, she smote off his head, when she had pierced and stricken through his temples.
- 27. At her feet he bowed, he fell, he lay down: at her feet he bowed. he fell; where he bowed, there he fell down
- dead.
- 28 The mother of Sisera looked out at a window, and
- cried through the lattice,
- Why is his chariot so long in coming? why tarry

the wheels of his chariots? Her wise ladies answered her. yea, she returned answer to herself, 30. Have they not sped?

have they *not* divided the

prey; to every man a damsel or two; to Sisera a prey of divers colours, a prey of divers colours of needlework, of divers colours. of needlework on both sides. meet for the necks of them that take the spoil?

31. So let all thine enemies perish, O LORD: but

■ let them that love him ■ be as the sun when he goeth forth in his might.

And the land had rest

forty years.

CHAPTER 6

- 1 And the children of
- Israel did evil in the sight of the LORD:
- and the LORD delivered them into the hand of
- Midian seven years. 2. And the hand of Midian
 - prevailed against Israel: and because of the
- Midianites the children of
- Israel made them the
- dens which are
 - in the mountains, and caves, and strong holds.
 - And so it was.
- when Israel had sown, that the Midianites came up, and
- the Amalekites, and the
- children of the east, even they came up against them;
- 4. And they encamped against them.
- and destroyed the increase of the earth.
- till thou come unto Gaza.
- and left no sustenance for Israel, neither sheep, nor ox, nor ass.
- 5. For they came up with their cattle and their
 - tents, and they came as grasshoppers for multitude; for both they and their camels were without number: and they entered
- into the land to destroy it.
- 6. And Israel was greatly impoverished
- because of the Midianites:
- and the children of Israel
- cried unto the LORD.
- 7. And it came to pass, when the children of Israel cried unto the LORD because of the Midianites.
- the LORD sent a prophet unto the children of Israel.
- which said unto them.
- Thus saith the
- LORD God of Israel,
- I brought you up from
- **Egypt**, and brought you forth out of the house of bondage:
- 9. And I delivered you out of the hand of the

373 Egyptians, and out of the hand of all that oppressed you, and drave them out from before you. and gave you their land; 10. And I said unto you. I am the LORD your God: fear not the gods of the Amorites, in whose land ve dwell: but ve have not obeyed my voice. 11. And there came an angel of the LORD. and sat under an oak which was in Ophrah. that pertained unto Joash the Abjeztite: and his son Gideon threshed wheat by the winepress, to hide it from the Midianites. 12. And the angel of the LORD appeared unto him. and said unto him. The LORD is with thee. thou mighty man of valour. 13. And Gideon said unto him. Oh my Lord. if the LORD be with us, why then is all this befallen us? and where be all his miracles which our fathers told us of, saving. Did not the LORD bring us up from Egypt? but now the LORD hath forsaken us, and delivered us into the hands of the Midianites. 14. And the LORD looked upon him, and said, Go in this thy might, and thou shalt save Israel from the hand of the Midianites: have not I sent thee? 15. And he said unto him, Oh my Lord, wherewith shall I save Israel? behold. my family is poor in Manasseh, and I am the least in my father's house. 16. And the LORD

said unto him.

Surely I will be with thee.

and thou shalt smite the

Midianites as one man.

17. And he said unto him. If now I have found grace in thy sight, then shew me a sian that thou talkest with me. 18. **Depart not** hence. I pray thee. until I come unto thee. and bring forth my present, and set it before thee. And he said. I will tarry until thou come again. 19. And Gideon went in, and made ready a kid. and unleavened cakes of an ephah of flour: the flesh he put in a basket. and he put the broth in a pot. and brought it out unto him under the oak, and presented it. 20. And the angel of God said unto him. Take the flesh and the unleavened cakes, and lay them upon this rock, and pour out the broth. And he did so. 21. Then the angel of the LORD put forth the end of the staff that was in his hand. and touched the flesh and the unleavened cakes; and there rose up fire out of the rock. and consumed the flesh and the unleavened cakes. Then the anael of the LORD departed out of his sight. 22. And when Gideon perceived that he was an angel of the LORD. Gideon said, Alas, O LORD God! for because I have seen an angel of the LORD face to face. 23. And the LORD said unto him. Peace be unto thee; fear not: thou shalt not die. 24. Then Gideon built an altar there unto the LORD. and called it Jehovahshalom: unto this day it is yet in Ophrah of the Abjezrites. 25. And it came to pass the same night, that

- the LORD said unto him. Take thy father's young bullock. even the second bullock of seven years old, and
- throw down the altar of Baal that thy father hath. and cut down the grove that is by it: 26. And build an altar unto
- the LORD thy God upon the top of this rock, in the ordered place, and take the second bullock.
- and offer a burnt sacrifice with the wood of the grove which thou shalt cut down.
- 27 Then Gideon took ten men of his servants, and
- did as the LORD had said unto him: and so it was, because he feared his father's household, and the men of the city, that he could not do it by day, that he did it by night.
 - 28. And when
- the men of the city grose early in the morning, behold, the altar of Baal was cast down, and the grove was cut down that was by it, and the second bullock was offered upon the altar that was built.
- 29. And they
- said one to another. Who hath done this
- thing? And when they inquired and asked,
 - they said, Gideon

the son of Joash hath done this thing.

- 30. Then the men of the city said unto Joash, Bring out
- thy son, that he may die: because he hath cast down the altar of Baal, and because he hath cut down the grove that was by it.
- 31. And Joash said unto all that stood against him.
- Will ye plead for ■ Baal? will ve save him?
- he that will plead for him.
- let him be put to death whilst it is yet morning:
- if he be a god, let him plead for himself, because one hath cast down his altar.

- 32. Therefore on that day he called him Jerubbaal saving. Let Baal plead against him, because he hath thrown down his altar.
- 33. Then all the Midianites and the Amalekites and the children of the east were gathered together, and went over, and pitched in the valley of Jezreel.
- 34. But the Spirit of the
- LORD came upon Gideon. and he blew a trumpet;
- and Abiezer was
- gathered after him.
- 35. And he sent messengers throughout all Manasseh;
 - who also was gathered after him:
- and he sent messengers
- unto Asher, and unto
- Zebulun, and unto Naphtali: and they came
- up to meet them. 36. And Gideon said unto God. If thou wilt save Israel by mine
 - hand, as thou hast said, 37. Behold.
- I will put a fleece of wool in the floor; and if the dew be on the fleece only, and it
- be dry upon all the earth beside.
- then shall I know that thou wilt save Israel by
- mine hand, as thou hast said.
- 38. And it was so: for he rose up early on the morrow,
- and thrust the fleece together. and wringed the dew
- out of the fleece, a bowl full of water.
- 39. And Gideon
- said unto God.
- Let not thine anger **b∈ hot** against me, and I
- will speak but this once: let me prove, I pray thee,
- but this once with the fleece: let it now be dry
- only upon the fleece, and upon all the ground let there be dew.
 - 40. And God did so that

night: for it was dry upon the fleece only, and there was dew on all the ground.

CHAPTER 7

■ I 1. **Then** Jerubbaal, who is

Gideon, and all the people that were with him, rose up early, and

pitched beside the well of Harod so that the host of

the Midianites were on the

north side of them, by the hill of Moreh, in the valley.

2 And the LORD

said unto Gideon.

The people that are

with thee are too many

for me to give the

Midianites into their hands.

lest Israel vaunt themselves against me.

saying, Mine own

hand hath saved me.

3. Now therefore go to.

proclaim in the ears of the people, saving,

Whosoever is tearful and afraid, let him return and depart early from mount Gilead.

And there

returned of the people

twenty and

two thousand; and there remained ten thousand.

4. And the LORD

said unto Gideon.

The people are yet too many; bring them down

unto the water, and I will try

them for thee there; and it shall be, that of whom I say unto thee. This shall go with thee, the same shall go with thee; and of whomsoever I say unto thee, This shall not go with thee, the same shall not go.

5. So he brought down the people unto the water; and the LORD said unto Gideon.

Every one that lappeth of the water with his tongue.

as a dog lappeth,

him shalt thou set

■ | by himself: likewise

every one that boweth down upon his knees to drink.

6 And the number of them that lapped, putting their

hand to their mouth

were three hundred men: but all the rest of the people bowed down upon their knees to drink water.

7. And the LORD said unto Gideon.

By the three hundred men

that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand; and let all the other people go every man unto his place.

8. So the people took

victuals in their hand. and their trumpets:

and he sent all the rest of

Israel every man

unto his tent, and retained those three hundred men: and the host of Midian was beneath him in the valley.

9. And it came to pass the same night, that

the LORD said unto him.

Arise, get thee down unto the host; for I have delivered

it into thine hand.

But if thou fear to go down.

go thou

with Phurah thy servant

down to the host: 11. And thou shalf

hear what they say; and afterward shall thine

hands be strengthened to

go down unto the host. Then went he down with Phurah his servant unto the outside of the armed men that were in the host.

12. **And the**

Midianites and the Amalekites and all

the children of the east lav

along in the valley like grasshoppers for multitude: and their camels

were without number. as the sand by the sea side

for multitude.

13. And when Gideon

was come, behold, there was

- a man that
 told a dream unto his fellow,
 and said, Behold, I
 dreamed a dream, and, lo,
 a cake of barley bread
- a cake of barley bread tumbled into the host of Midian, and came unto
- a tent, and smote it that it fell,
- and overturned it, that the tent lay along.
- 14. And his fellow answered and said.
- This is nothing else save
 - the sword of Gideon the son of Joash, a man of Israel: for into his hand hath God delivered Midian, and all the host.

 15. And it was so.
- when Gideon
- heard the telling of
- the dream, and the
- interpretation thereof, that he worshipped, and
- returned into the host of Israel,
 and said, Arise; for the
 LORD hath delivered
- LORD hath delivered into your hand
- the host of Midian.

 And he divided
 - 16. And ne divided the three hundred
- men into three
- companies, and he put
- a trumpet in every man's hand,
 with empty pitchers, and
- lamps within the pitchers.
 17. And he said unto them.
- 17. And he said unto them,
 Look on me, and do
 - likewise: and, behold, when I come to the outside of the camp, it shall be that, as I do, so shall ye do.
- 18. When I blow with a trumpet, I and all that are with me, then
- blow ye the trumpets
 also on every side of all the camp,
 and say, The sword of
- the LORD, and of Gideon.
 19. So Gideon, and the hundred men that were with him, came unto the outside of the camp in the beginning of the middle watch; and they had but newly set the watch: and they

blew the trumpets, and brake the

pitchers that were in their hands.

- 20. And the three
- companies blew the trumpets, and brake
 - the pitchers, and held the lamps in their left hands,
 - the lamps in their left hands and the trumpets in their right hands to blow withal:
- and they cried, The sword of the LORD, and of Gideon.
- 21. And they stood every man in his place round about the camp: and all the host ran, and cried, and fled. 22. And the three hundred
- blew the trumpets,and the LORD setevery man's sword
- against his fellow, even throughout all the host:
- and the host fled to Bethshittah in Zererath, and to the border of Abel-meholah, unto Tabbath.
- 23. And the men of Israel gathered themselves together out of Naphtali, and out of Asher, and out of all Manasseh, and
- pursued after the Midianites.
- 24. And Gideon
- | sent messengers
- throughout all mount
- Ephraim, saying,
- come down
- against the Midianites,
 and take before them the waters
- unto Beth-barah and Jordan. Then all

 the men of Ephraim gathered
- themselves together, and took the waters unto Beth-barah and Jordan.

 25. And they
- took two princes
- of the Midianites,■ Oreb and Zeeb; and
 - they slew Oreb upon the rock Oreb, and Zeeb they slew at the winepress of Zeeb, and pursued Midian.
- and brought the
- heads of Oreb and Zeeb
 - to Gideon on the other side Jordan.

CHAPTER 8

- 1 1 And the men of
 - Ephraim said unto him. Why hast thou served us thus, that
 - thou calledst us
- not, when thou wentest
- to fight with the Midianites? And they did chide with him sharply.
- 2 And he said unto them What have I done now in comparison of you? Is not the gleaning of the grapes of Ephraim better than the vintage of Abjezer?
- 3 God hath delivered ■ into your hands the
- **Drinces** of Midian, Oreb and Zeeb:
- and what was I able
- to do in comparison of you?
- Then their anger was abated toward him, when
- he had said that
- 4. And Gideon came to
- Jordan, and passed over, he, and the three hundred men that were with him, faint, yet pursuing them.
- 5. And he said unto the men of Succoth.
 - Give, I pray you, loaves of
- bread unto the people that
- follow me; for they be faint, and
- I am pursuing after Zebah and Zalmunna, kings of Midian.
- 6. And the princes of Succoth
- said. Are the hands of
- Zebah and Zalmunna now
- in thine hand, that we should give bread unto thine army?
- 7. And Gideon said, Therefore when the LORD hath
- delivered Zebah and
- Zalmunna into mine hand, then
- I will tear your flesh with the thorns of the wilderness
- and with briers 8. And he went up thence
- to Penuel, and spake unto them likewise.
- and the men of Penuel
- answered him as the men of Succoth had answered him.
 - 9. And he spake also unto the men of Penuel, saying, When I come again in peace. I will break down this tower.

- 10. Now Zebah and Zalmunna *were* in Karkor, and their hosts with them, about fifteen thousand men, all that were
 - left of all the hosts of the children. of the east: for there fell an hundred and twenty thousand men that drew sword
- 11. And Gideon went up by the way of them that dwelt in tents on the east of Nobah and Jogbehah, and smote the host: for the host was secure.
 - 12. And when Zebah and Zalmunna fled, he
- pursued after them, and took the two kings of Midian.
 - Zebah and Zalmunna.
- and discomfited
 - all the host.
- 13. And Gideon the son of Joash returned from battle

before the sun was up.

- 14. And caught a young man of the men of Succoth, and inquired of him: and he described unto him the princes of Succoth, and the elders thereof. even threescore and seventeen men
- 15. And he came
- unto the men of
- Succoth, and
 - said. Behold Zebah and Zalmunna, with whom ye did upbraid me, saving.
- Are the hands of
- Zebah and
- Zalmunna now in
- thine hand, that we should
- give bread unto thy men that are weary?
- 16. And he took the
- elders of the city.
- and thorns of the wilderness
- and briers, and with them he taught the
- men of Succoth.
- 17. And he beat down the tower of Penuel, and slew
- the men of the city
- 18. Then said he unto Zebah and Zalmunna. What
 - manner of men were they

- whom ye slew at Tabor? And they answered. As thou art, so were they; each one resembled the children of a king. 19. And he said, They were my brethren, even the sons of my mother: as the LORD liveth. if ve had saved them alive. I would not slay you.
- 20 And he said unto Jether his firstborn. Up. and slav them. But the youth drew not his
- sword: for he feared. because he was vet a youth.
- 21. Then Zebah and Zalmunna said. Rise thou, and fall upon us; for as the man is, so is his strength, And Gideon arose, and
- slew Zebah and Zalmunna. and took away the ornaments that were on their camels' necks.
- 22. Then the men of Israel said unto Gideon. Rule thou over us, both thou, and thy son, and thy son's son also:
- for thou hast delivered us from the hand of Midian.
- 23. And Gideon
- said unto them,
- I will not rule over you,
- neither shall my SOR rule over you:
- the LORD shall
- rule over you.
- 24. And Gideon
- said unto them.
- I would desire a request of you.
- that ye would give me every man the earrings
- of his prey. (For they had golden earrings, because they were Ishmaelites.) 25. And they answered. We will willingly give them.
- And they spread a garment, and
- did cast therein every man the earrings of his prev. 26. And the weight of
- the golden earrings that he requested was

- a thousand and
- seven hundred shekels
- of gold: beside ornaments. and collars, and purple raiment that was on the kings of Midian, and beside the chains that were about their camels' necks
- 27. And Gideon made an ephod thereof,
- and put it in his
- city, even in Ophrah:
- and all Israel went thither a-whoring after it: which thing became a snare unto
- Gideon, and to his house.
 - 28. Thus was Midian subdued before the children of Israel, so that they lifted up their heads no more. And the country was in quietness forty years in the days of Gideon. 29 And Jerubbaal the son of Joash went and dwelt in his own house.
 - 30. And Gideon
- had threescore and

- ten sons of his body begotten: for he had many wives.
- 31. And his concubine that was in Shechem, she also
- bare him a son, whose name he called Abimelech.
- And Gideon the son of Joash
- **died** in a good old age.
- and was buried in the sepulchre of Joash his
- father, in Ophrah of the Abi-ezrites.
- And it came to pass. as soon as Gideon
- was dead, that the children of
- Israel turned again, and went a-whoring after Baalim,
- and made Baal-berith their god.
- 34. And the children of
- Israel remembered not the LORD their God, who had delivered them out of the hands of all their enemies on every side:
- 35 Neither shewed they kindness to the house
- of Jerubbaal, namely,
- Gideon, according to all the goodness which he had shewed unto Israel.

CHAPTER 9

■ 1 1 And Abimelech

the son of Jerubbaal

went to Shechem unto his mother's brethren.

and communed with them, and

with all the family of the house of his mother's father.

sayina.

2. Speak, I pray you,

in the ears of all the men of

Shechem, Whether is better for you, either that all

the sons of Jerubbaal, which are threescore and ten persons.

reign over you, or that one reign over you? remember also

that I am your bone and your flesh. 3. And his mother's

brethren spake of him in the ears of all the men of Shechem all these words; and their hearts

inclined to follow

Abimelech; for they said. He is our brother.

4. And they gave him

threescore and ten pieces of silver out of the

house of Baal-berith.

wherewith Abimelech

hired vain and light

persons, which followed him.

5. And he went

unto his father's house at

Ophrah, and slew his

brethren the sons of Jerubbaal, being threescore and ten persons. upon one stone; notwithstanding

vet Jotham the youngest son of Jerubbaal was left; for he

hid himself.

6. And all the men of

Shechem gathered together,

and all the house of

Millo, and went, and

made Abimelech king, by the plain of the pillar that was in Shechem.

7. And when they told it to

Jotham, he went and stood in the top of mount Gerizim, and lifted up his voice, and cried, and

said unto them,

■ Hearken unto me.

ve men of Shechem.

that God may hearken untó you.

8. The trees went

forth on a time

to anoint a king over them;

and they said unto the olive tree. Reign

thou over us.

But the olive tree

said unto them.

Should I leave my fatness,

wherewith by me they honour God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?

10. And the trees said to the fig tree, Come thou, and reign over us.

11. But the fig tree

said unto them.

Should I forsake my sweetness, and

my good fruit, and go to be promoted over the trees?

12. Then said the trees unto the vine.

Come thou, and

reign over us.

13. And the vine

said unto them.

Should I leave my wine, which cheereth God and man, and go to be promoted over the trees?

14. Then said all the trees unto the bramble.

Come thou, and

reign over us.

15. And the bramble

said unto the trees.

If in truth ve anoint me king over you.

then come and

put your trust in my

shadow: and if not, let fire

come out of the bramble, and

devour the cedars of Lebanon.

16. Now therefore,

if ye have done

truly and sincerely, in that ye have

made Abimelech

king, and if ye

have dealt well with

| Jerubbaal and his house,

and have done unto him according to the deserving of his hands;

- 17. (For my father fought for you, and adventured his life far, and delivered you out of the hand of Midian:
- 18. And ye are risen up against my father's house this day, and have slain his sons, threescore and ten persons, upon one stone, and have made Abimelech, the son of his maidservant, king over the men of Shechem, because he is your brother:)
- 19. If ye then have dealt truly and sincerely with Jerubbaal and with his house this day,
- then rejoice ye in Abimelech, and let him also rejoice in you:
- 20. But if not, let fire come out from Abimelech, and
- devour the men of
 - Shechem, and the house of
- Millo; and let fire come out from the men of Shechem, and from the house of Millo, and devour

■ Abimelech.

- 21. And Jotham ran away, and
- | fled, and went
- to Beer, and dwelt there,
- for fear of Abimelech
 - 22. When Abimelech had reigned three years over Israel,
- 23. Then God sent ■ an evil spirit
- between Abimelech
- **and** the men of
- Shechem; and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:
- 24. That the cruelty done
- to the threescore and ten
- sons of Jerubbaal might come, and their blood be
- laid upon Abimelech their
- **brother,** which slew them;
- and upon the men of
- Shechem, which aided
- him in the
- killing of
 - his brethren.
- 25. And the men of

- Shechem set liers in
- wait for him in the top of the mountains, and they robbed all that
- robbed all that came along that way
 - by them:
- by them
- and it was told Abimelech.
- 26. And Gaal the son of Ebed
- came with his
 - brethren, and went over
- the men of Shechem
- put their confidence in him.
 - 27. **And they** went out into the fields, and gathered their vineyards, and trode *the grapes*, and made merry, and
- went into the house of their
 god, and did eat and drink,
 and cursed Abimelech.
- 28. And Gaal the son of Ebed said. Who is Abimelech, and
- who is Shechem, that we should serve him? is not he
 - the son of Jerubbaal? and Zebul his officer? serve the men of Hamor the father of Shechem: for
 - Hamor the father of Shechem: for why should we serve him?

 29. And would to God this
- people were under my hand! then would I
 - remove Abimelech. And he said to Abimelech. Increase
 - he said to Abimelech, Increase thine army, and come out.
- 30. And when Zebul the ruler of the city
- heard the words of
- Gaal the son of Ebed,
- his anger was kindled.
 And he sent messen
 - 31. And he sent messengers unto Abimelech privily.
- **saying**, Behold,
- Gaal the son of Ebed
- and his brethren be come to Shechem:
 - and, behold, they fortify the city against thee.
- 32. **Now** therefore up
- by night, thou and the people that is with thee, and
- lie in wait in the field:
 - 33. And it shall be, that
 - in the morning, as soon as the

sun is up, thou shall rise early, and set upon the city; and, behold, when he and the people that is with him come out against thee, then mayest thou do to them as thou shalt find occasion. 34. And Abimelech rose up. and all the people that were with him, by night, and they laid wait against Shechem in four companies. 35. And Gaal the son of Ebed went out, and stood in the entering of the gate of the city: and Abimelech rose up, and the people that were with him, from lying in wait. 36. And when Gaal saw the people, he said to Zebul. Behold. there come people down from the top of the mountains. And Zebul said unto him. Thou seest the shadow of the mountains as if they were men. 37. And Gaal spake ■ } again, and said. See there come people down by the middle of the land. and another company come along by the plain of Meonenim. 38. Then said Zebul unto him. Where is now thy mouth, wherewith thou saidst. Who is Abimelech. that we should serve him? is not this the people that thou hast despised? go out, I pray now, and fight with them. 39. And Gaal went out before the men of Shechem, and fought with Abimelech. 40. And Abimelech chased him, and he fled before him, and many were overthrown and wounded, even unto the entering of the gate. 41. And Abimelech dwelf

at Arumah: and Zebul

brethren, that they should not dwell in Shechem. 42. **And** it came to pass on the morrow, that the people went out into the field: and they told Abimelech. 43. And he took the people, and divided them into three companies, and laid wait in the field, and looked, and, behold, the people were come forth out of the city; and he rose up against them, and smote them. 44. And Abimelech, and the company that was with him, rushed forward. and stood in the entering of the gate of the city; and the two other companies ran upon all the people that were in the fields, and slew them. 45. And Abimelech fought 8 against the city all that day: and he took the city, and slew the people that was therein. and beat down the city. and sowed it with salt. 46. And when all the men of the tower of Shechem heard that, they entered into an hold of the house of the god Berith. 47. And it was told Abimelech, that all the men of the tower of Shechem were gathered together. 48. And Abimelech gat him up to mount Zalmon, he and all the people that were with him: and Abimelech took an axe in his hand. and cut down a bough from the trees, and took it. and laid it on his shoulder. and said unto the people that were with him. What ve have seen me do, make haste, and do as I have done. 49. **And** all the people likewise cut down every man his bough.

thrust out Gaal and his

and followed Ahimelech, and put them to the hold, and set the hold on fire upon them: so that all the men of the tower of Shechem died also, about a thousand men and women. 50 Then went Abimelech to Thebez. and encamped against Thebez. and took it. 51. But there was a strong tower within the city, and thither fled all the men and women, and all they of the city, and shut it to them, and gat them up to the top of the tower. 52 And Abimelech came unto the tower, and fought against it, and went hard unto the door of the tower to burn it with fire. 53. And a certain woman cast a piece of a millstone upon Abimelech's head, and all to brake his skull. 54. Then he called hastily unto the young man his armour-bearer, and said unto him, Draw thy sword, and slay me, that men say not of me. A women slew him. And his young man thrust him through, and he died. 55. And when the men of Israel saw that Abimelech was dead, they departed every man unto his place. 56. Thus God rendered the wickedness of Abimelech. which he did unto his father. in slaying his seventy brethren: 57. And all the evil of the men of Shechem did God ■ render upon their heads; and **■ upon them** came ■ the curse of Jotham

CHAPTER 10

|■ 1. And after Abimelech

the son of Jerubbaal.

there grose to defend Israel Tola the son of Puah, the son of Dodo, a man of Issachar, and he dwelt in Shamir in mount Ephraim. 2. And he iudaed

Israel twenty and

three years, and died. and was buried in Shamir

3 And after him arose Jair, a Gileadite, and

iudged Isrgel twenty and two years.

4. And he had thirty

sons that rode on thirty ass colts, and they

had thirty cities, which are

called Havoth-iair unto this day, which are in the land of Gilead.

And Jair died, and was. buried in Camon

6. And the children of Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD.

and served Baalim. and Ashtaroth, and

the gods of Syria, and the gods of

Zidon, and the gods of

Mogb, and the gods of the children of

Ammon, and the gods

of the Philistines, and forsook the LORD, and served not him.

7. And the anger of

the LORD was not against Israel, and he

sold them into the hands of the Philistines, and

into the hands of the children of

Ammon.

And that year

thev vexed and

oppressed the children of

Israel: eighteen years, all the children of Israel that were on the other side Jordan in the land of the Amorites, which is in Gilead.

Moreover the children of

Ammon passed over Jordan to fight also against

Judah, and against

Benjamin, and

against the house of

Ephraim: so that Israel was sore distressed.

10. And the children of

Israel cried unto the LORD. saying, We have sinned

against thee, both because we have forsaken our God. and also served Baalim.

11. And the LORD

said unto the children of Israel,

Did not I deliver you from the Egyptians, and from the Amorites, from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines? 12. The Zidonians also, and the Amalekites, and the Maonites, did oppress you; and ye cried to me, and I delivered you out of their hand.

13. Yet ve have forsaken

me, and served other gods:

wherefore I will

deliver you no more. 14. Go and cry unto the

gods which ve have chosen: let them deliver

YOU in the time of your tribulation.

15. And the children of

Israel said unto the

LORD. We have sinned: do thou unto us

whatsoever

seemeth good unto thee:

deliver us only, we

pray thee, this day.

16. And they put away the strange gods from among them, and served the LORD:

and his soul was grieved for the misery of Israel.

17. Then the children of Ammon were

gathered together, and

encamped in Gilead.

And the children of

Israel assembled

themselves together, and

encamped in Mizpeh. 18. And the people and princes

of Gilead said one to another.

What man is he that

will begin to

fight against the children of

Ammon? he shall be

head over all the inhabitants. ■ of Gilead.

CHAPTER 11

1. Now Jephthah the Gileadite was a mighty man of valour.

and he was

the son of an harlot:

and Gilead begat Jephthah.

And Gilead's wife bare him sons; and his wife's

SONS grew up, and they thrust out Jephthah.

and said unto him.

Thou shalt not inherit in our father's house: for thou *art* the son of

a strange woman.

3. Then Jephthah

fled from his brethren

and dwelt in the land of **Tob:** and there were gathered

vain men to Jephthah, and went out with him.

4. And it came to pass in process of time, that the children of

Ammon made war against Israel.

5. And it was so, that when the children of Ammon made war against Israel.

the elders of Gilead

went to fetch

Jephthah out of the land of Tob:

6. And they

said unto Jephthah, Come, and be our captain, that we may fight with the children of Ammon.

And Jephthah

said unto the elders of Gilead,

Did not ye hate me, and

expel me out of my father's house? and why are ye come unto me now when ve are in distress?

8. And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah, Therefore

we turn again to thee now, that thou mayest

> go with us, and fight against the children of Ammon, and

be our head over all the inhabitants of Gilead.

9. And Jephthah

JUDGES 11 said unto the elders of Gilead. If ve bring me home again to fight against the children of Ammon, and the LORD deliver them before me. shall I be your head? 10. And the elders of Gilead said unto Jephthah. The LORD be witness between us, if we do not so according to thy words. 11. Then Jephthah went with the elders of Gilead, and the people made him head and captain over them: and Jephthah uttered all his words before the LORD in Mizpeh. 12. And Jephthah sent messengers unto the king of the children of Ammon, saying, What hast thou to do with me, that thou art come against me to fight in my land? And the king of the children of Ammon answered unto the messengers of Jephthah. Because Israel took away my land, when they came up out of Egypt. from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and unto Jordan: now therefore restore those lands again peaceably. 14. And Jephthah sent messengers again unto the king of the children of Ammon: 15. And said unto him, Thus saith Jephthah,

Israel took not away the land of Moab, nor the land of the children of Ammon:

16. But when Israel came up from Egypt, and walked through the wilderness unto the Red sea, and came to Kadesh; 17. Then Israel sent messengers unto the king of Edom,

saying, Let me, I pray thee, pass through thy land: but the king of Edom

would not hearken thereto.

And in like manner they sent unto

the king of Mogb: but he would not consent: and Israel ahode in Kadesh. 18. Then they went along

through the wilderness. and compassed the land of Edom. and the land of Moab, and came by the east side of the land of Moab.

and pitched on the other side of Arnon, but came not within the border of Moab; for Arnon was the border of Moab.

19. And Israel sent messenaers unto Sihon king of the

Amorites, the king of Heshbon: and Israel

said unto him.

Let us pass, we pray thee, through thy land into my place. 20. But Sihon trusted not

israel to pass through his coast: but Sihon gathered all his people together, and pitched in Jahaz, and fought against Israel. 21. And the LORD God of Israel

delivered Sihon and all his people into the hand of **Israel**, and they smote them: so Israel possessed all

the land of the Amorites, the inhabitants of that country. 22. **And** they possessed

all the coasts of the Amorites, from Arnon even unto Jabbok, and from the wilderness even unto Jordan. So now the LORD God of Israel hath dispossessed the Amorites from before his people Israel. and shouldest thou possess it? 24. Wilt not thou possess that which Chemosh thy god giveth thee to possess?

So whomsoever the LORD our God shall drive out from before us. them will we possess. 25. And now art thou any thing better than Balak the

son of Zippor, king of Moab? did he ever strive against Israel, or did

the LORD delivered

them into his hands.

33. And he smote them from Aroer,

he ever fight against them, 26 While Israel dwelt in Heshbon and her towns. and in Aroer and her towns. and in all the cities that be along by the coasts of Arnon, three hundred vears? why therefore did ve not recover them within that time? 27. Wherefore I have not sinned against thee. but thou doest me wrong to war against me: the LORD the Judge be judge this day between the children of Israel and the children of Ammon. 28. Howbeit the king of the children of Ammon hearkened not unto the words of Jephthah which he sent him. 29. Then the spirit of the LORD came upon Jephthah, and he passed over Gilead, and Manasseh, and passed over Mizpeh of Gilead, and from Mizpeh of Gilead he passed over unto the children of Ammon. 30. And Jephthah vowed a vow unto the LORD, and said. If thou shalt without fail deliver the children of Ammon into mine hands. 31. Then it shall be, that whatsoever cometh forth of the doors of my house to meet me, when I return in peace from the children of Ammon, shall surely be the LORD's, and I will offer it up for a burnt offering. 32. So Jephthah passed over unto the children of Ammon to fight against them; and

even till thou come to Minnith, even twenty cities, and unto the plain of the vineyards, with a very great slaughter. Thus the children of Ammon were subdued before the children of Israel. 34. And Jephthah came 8 to Mizpeh unto his house, and, behold. his daughter came out to meet him with timbrels and with dances; and she was his only child; beside her he had neither son nor daughter. And it came to pass. when he saw her, that he rent his clothes, and said, Alas, my daughter! thou hast brought me very low, and thou art one of them that trouble me: for I have opened my mouth unto the LORD. and I cannot go back. 36. And she said unto him, My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth unto the LORD. do to me accordina to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth; forasmuch as the LORD hath taken vengeance for thee of thine enemies, even of the children of Ammon. And she said unto her father. Let this thing be done for me: let me alone two months, that I may go up and down upon the mountains, and bewail my virginity, I and my fellows. 38. And he said, Go. And he sent her away for two months: and she went with her companions. and bewailed her virginity upon the mountains. And it came to pass. at the end of two months, that she returned unto her father, who did with her according to his vow which

he had vowed; and she knew no man.

And it was a custom in Israel.

■ 1 40. That the daughters of ■ Israel went yearly to ■ lament the daughter ■ of Jephthah the Gileadite ■ four days in a year.

CHAPTER 12

1. And the men of Ephraim gathered themselves together, and went northward, and said unto Jephthah, Wherefore passedst thou over to fight against the children of Ammon, and didst not call us to go with thee? we will

2. And Jephthah

said unto them, I and my people were at great strife with the children of Ammon; and when I called you, ye delivered me not out of their hands.

burn thine house upon thee with fire.

3. And when I saw that ye delivered me not, I put my life in my hands, and passed over against the children of Ammon, and the LORD

delivered them into my hand: ■ wherefore then are ve

■ | come up unto me this day, to fight against me?

4. Then Jephthah

gathered together all the men of Gilead, and fought with Ephraim: and the men of Gilead

smote Ephraim, because they said, Ye Gileadites are fugitives of Ephraim among the Ephraimites, and

among the Manassites.

■ 5. And the Gileadites ■ took the passages of Jordan before the Ephraimites:

and it was so that when

■ | those Ephraimites which ■ were escaped said, Let

■ me go over; that

■ the men of Gilead

said unto him.

■ | Art thou an Ephraimite? ■ If he said, Nay:

6. Then said they unto him,

Say now

Shibboleth: and he said Sibboleth: for

he could not frame to pronounce it right.

Then they took him, and

slew him at the passages of

Jordan: and there

fell at that time

of the Ephraimites

forty and

two thousand.

7. And Jephthah judged

Israel six years. Then died Jephthah the Gileadite, and was buried in one of the cities of Gilead.

8. And after him Ibzan of Beth-lehem

judged Israel.

9. And he had thirty sons,

and thirty daughters. whom he sent abroad.

and took in thirty

daughters from abroad

for his sons. And he

judged Israel seven years.

10. Then died Ibzan, and was buried at Beth-lehem.

 And after him.

Elon, a Zebulonite.

judged Israel; and he judged Israel

ten vears.

And Elon the Zebulonite died. and was buried in Aijalon in the country of Zebulun.

13. And after him Abdon the son of Hillel, a Pirathonite. judged Israel.

> 14. And he had forty sons and thirty nephews, that rode on threescore and ten ass colts: and he

judged Israel eight years.

And Abdon the son of Hillel the Pirathonite died, and was buried in Pirathon in the land of Ephraim. in the mount of the Amalekites.

CHAPTER 13

■ 1 1. And the children of

Israel did evil again in the sight of the LORD;

and the LORD delivered

them into the hand of the
Philistines forty years.
2. And there was a
certain man of Zorah of

certain man of Zorah, of the family of the Danites,

whose name was

Manoah: and his wife

was barren, and bare not.

3. And the angel of the

3. And the angel of the LORD appeared unto the woman, and said unto her, Behold now.

thou art barren, and bearest not: but thou shalf conceive,

and bear a son.

4. **Now therefore** beware,

drink not wine nor strong drink, and eat not any unclean thing:

■ 5. For. to.

thou shalt conceive, and

bear a son; and no razor shall come on his head: for the child shall be a

Nazarite unto God from the
 womb: and he shall begin
 to deliver Israel out of the
 hand of the Philistines.

6. Then the woman came and told her husband.

saying. A man of God came unto me, and his countenance was like the countenance of an angel of God, very terrible: but I asked him not whence he was, neither told he me his name:

7. But he said unto me, Behold, thou shall conceive, and bear a son; and

shall conceive, and bear a son; and now drink no wine nor strong drink, neither eat any unclean *thing*: for the child shall be a Nazarite to God from the womb to the day of his death.

8. Then Manoah entreated the LORD, and said, O my Lord, let the man of

God which thou didst send come again unto us.

and teach us what we shall do unto the child that shall be born.

And God hearkened
 to the voice of Manoah:

and the angel of God

came again unto the woman as she sat in the field:

but Manoah her husband was not with her. 10 And the

10. And the woman made haste, and

ran, and shewed her husband, and said unto him, Behold, the man hath appeared unto me, that came unto me the other day.

11. And Manoah arose, and went after his wife, and

came to the man, and said unto him. Art thou the man that spakest unto the woman? And he said. I am.

■ 12. **And** Manoah

said, Now let thy words come to pass.

How shall we order the child, and how shall we do unto him?

13. And the angel of the LORD

said unto Manoah,

Of all that I said unto the woman let her beware.

14. She may not eat of any thing that cometh of the vine, neither let her drink wine or strong drink, nor eat any unclean

thing: all that I commanded her let her observe.

15. And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, I pray thee,
 let us detain thee, until
 we shall have made

we shall have made ready a kid for thee.

16. And the angel of the LORD

said unto Manoah, Though thou detain me, I will not eat of thy bread: and

if thou wilt offer a burnt
offering, thou must offer it
unto the LORD. For Manoah knew
not that he was an angel of the LORD.

17. And Manoah said unto the angel of the LORD, What *is* thy name, that when thy sayings come to pass we may do thee honour?

18. And the angel of the LORD said unto him, Why askest thou thus after

my name, seeing it is secret?

19. **So Manoah took a kid** with a meat offering.

and offered it upon a rock unto the LORD: and the

angel did wonderously; and

Manoah and his wife looked on.

when the flame went up toward heaven from

off the altar, that

■ the angel of the LORD

■ ascended in the

■ flame of the altar.

And Manoah and his

wife looked on it, and fell on their faces

to the ground.

21. But the angel of the LORD did no more appear to Manoah and to his wife. Then Manoah knew that he was an angel of the LORD.

22. And Manoah

said unto his wife,

■ We shall surely

die, because we have seen God.

23. But his wife said unto him,If the LORD were pleased to

kill us, he would not have received a burnt offering

and a meat offering at our hands, neither would he have shewed us all these *things*, nor would as at this time have told us *such things* as these.

24. And the woman bare a son, and called his name
 Samson: and the child grew.

and the LORD blessed him.

25. And the Spirit of the

LORD began to move him at times in the camp of

■ Dan between Zorah and Eshtaol.

CHAPTER 14

1. And Samson went down to Timnath, and

saw a woman in Timnath
of the daughters of the

Philistines.

2. And he came up. and

told his father and his

mother, and said, I have seen a woman in Timnath of the daughters of the Philistines: now therefore get her for me to wife.

3. Then his father and his mother said unto him.

Is there never a woman

| among the daughters of thy

brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines?

And Samson

said unto his father,

Get her for me; for she pleaseth me well.

4. But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the LORD, that he sought an occasion against the

 Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel.
 5. Then went Samson down.

and his father and his mother, to Timnath.

and came to the vineyards of Timnath: and, behold,

Q young

■ lion roared against him.

■ 6. And the spirit of

the LORD came mightily upon him, and he rent

him as he would have rent a kid, and he had nothing

in his hand: but he told not his father or his mother what he had done.

7. And he went down, and talked with the woman; and she pleased Samson well.

■ 8. And after a time

he returned to take her,
 and he turned aside to

see the carcase of the lion; and, behold.

there was a swarm of bees and honey in the

carcase of the lion.

9. And he took thereof in his hands, and went on eating,

and came to his fatherand mother, and he gave

them, and they did eat: but he told not them that he had taken the honey out of the carcase of the lion.

■ 10. So his father went

down unto the woman:and Samson made there

■ a feast; for so used

the young men to do.

11. **And** it came to pass,

when they saw him, that

they brought thirty companions to be with him. 12. And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth a riddle unto you: if ye can certainly declare it me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty sheets and thirty change of garments: 13. But if ye cannot declare it me. then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said unto him. Put forth thy riddle, that we may hear it. 14. And he said unto them. Out of the eater came forth meat, and out of the strong came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days expound the riddle. 15. And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle, lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to take that we have? is it not so? 16. And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth a riddle unto the children of my people, and hast not told it me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told it my father nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee? 17. And she wept before him the seven days.

while their feast

lay sore upon him:

lasted: and it came to pass

on the seventh day, that

he told her, because she

her people. 18. And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down. What *is* sweeter than honev? and what is stronger than a lion? And he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle. 19. And the spirit of the LORD came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them. and took their spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle. And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house. 20. But Samson's wife was given to his companion. whom he had used as his friend. CHAPTER 15 1. But it came to pass within a while after in the time of wheat harvest, that Samson visited his wife with a kid; and he said, I will go in to my wife into the chamber. But her father would not suffer him to go in. And her father said, 1 verily thought that thou hadst utterly hated her; therefore I gave her to thy companion: *is* not her younger sister fairer than she? take her. I pray thee, instead of her. 3 And Samson

said concerning them.

Now shall I be more

blameless than the

Philistines, though I do

4. And Samson went and

them a displeasure.

and she told the riddle

to the children of

■ I caught three hundred foxes, and took firebrands. and turned tail to tail, and put a firebrand in the midst between two tails. ■ 5. And when he had set the ■ brands on fire, he let *them* go into the standing corn of the Philistines, and burnt up both the shocks, and also the standing corn, with the vineyards and olives. 6 Then the Philistines said. Who hath done this? And they answered, Samson, the son in law of the Timnite. because he had taken his wife, and given her to his companion. And the Philistines came up. and burnt her and her father with fire. And Samson said unto them. Though ye have done this, yet will I be avenged of you, and after that I will cease. 8 And he smote them hip and thigh with a great slaughter: and he went down and dwelt in the top of the rock Etam. 9. Then the Philistines went up, and pitched in Judah, and spread themselves in Lehi. 10. And the men of Judah said, Why are ye come up against us? And they answered. To bind Samson are we come up, to do to him as he hath done to us. 11. Then three thousand men of Judah went to the top of the rock Etam. and said to Samson. Knowest thou not that the Philistines are rulers over us? what is this that thou hast done unto us? And he said unto them, ■ As they did unto me, so have I done unto them.

12. And they said unto him.

I We are come down

to bind thee, that we may deliver thee into the hand of the Philistines, And Samson said unto them. Swear unto me. that ve will not fall upon me yourselves. 13. And they spake unto him, saving. No: but we will bind thee fast, and deliver thee into their hand: **but** surely we will not kill thee. • And they bound him with two new cords, and brought him up from the rock. 14. And when he came unto Lehi. the Philistines shouted against him: and the spirit of the LORD came mightily upon him, and the cords that were upon his arms became as flax that was burnt with fire, and his hands loosed from off his hands. 15. And he found a new jawbone of an ass. and put forth his hand, and took it, and slew a thousand men therewith. 16. And Samson said, With the iawbone of an ass, heaps upon heaps, with the jaw of an ass have I slain a thousand men. 17. And it came to pass, when he had made an end of speaking, that he cast away the iawbone out of his hand. and called that place Ramath-lehi. 18. And he was sore athirst, and called on the LORD, and said. Thou hast given this areat deliverance into the hand of thy servant: and now shall I die for thirst, and fall into the hand of the uncircumcised? 19 But God clave an hollow place that was

in the jaw, and there came

- I water thereout; and when he had drunk, his spirit came again. and he revived; wherefore he called the name thereof En-hakkore. which is in Lehi unto this day.
- 20. And he judged Israel in the days of the Philistines
- twenty years.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. Then went Samson to Gaza, and saw there an harlot, and went
- in unto her.
- 2. **And** it was told
- the Gazites, saying, Samson is come hither. And they compassed him in, and
- laid wait for him all night in the gate of the city, and were quiet all the night,
- saying, in the
- morning, when it is day, we shall kill him.
- 3 And Samson
- lay till midnight, and arose at midnight.
- and took the doors of
- the gate of the
- city, and the two posts, and went away
- with them, bar and all. and put them upon his shoulders.
- and carried them up to the top of an hill

that is before Hebron.

4. And it came to pass

afterward, that

he loved a woman

- in the valley of
- Sorek, whose
- name was Delilah
 - 5. And the lords of
- the Philistines came up unto her, and said unto her,
- Entice him, and see
- wherein his great
- strength lieth, and by what means we may prevail against him.
- that we may bind
- | him to afflict him:
- and we will give
- I thee every one of us

eleven hundred pieces of silver. 6. And Delilah said to Samson, Tell me, I pray thee, wherein thy great strength lieth, and wherewith thou mightest be bound to afflict thee.

7 And Samson

said unto her, If they

bind me with seven green

withs that were never dried.

then shall I be

weak, and be as another man.

8. Then the lords of the

Philistines brought up to her . seven green withs

which had not been dried

and she bound him with them.

Now there were

men lying in wait,

abiding with her in the chamber.

And she said unto him.

The Philistines be upon thee, Samson. And he brake the withs, as a

thread of tow is broken when it toucheth the fire.

So his strength was not known.

10 And Delilah

said unto Samson, Behold,

thou hast mocked me, and told me lies:

now tell me. I pray thee. wherewith thou

mightest be bound.

11. And he said unto her. If they bind me fast

with new ropes that never were occupied.

then shall I be weak. and be as another man.

12. Delilah therefore took new ropes, and

bound him therewith.

and said unto him.

The Philistines *be* upon

thee, Samson, And there were liers in wait abiding in the chamber.

And he brake

them from off his arms.

like a thread.

13 And Delilah said unto Samson, Hitherto thou hast mocked me, and told me lies: tell me wherewith thou mightest be bound. And he said unto her. If thou weavest the seven locks of my head with the web. 14. And she fastened it with the pin, and said unto him, The Philistines be upon ■ thee. Samson, And he **awaked** out of his sleep, and went away with the pin of the beam, and with the web. 15. And she said unto him. How canst thou say, I love thee, when thine heart is not with me? thou hast mocked me these three times. and hast not told me wherein thy great strength lieth. And it came to pass. ■ | when she pressed him daily with her words, and urged him, so that his soul was vexed unto death: 17. That he told her all his heart, and said unto her. There hath not come a razor upon mine head; for I have been a Nazarite unto ■ God from my mother's womb: if I be shaven, then my strength will go from me, and I shall become weak. and be like any other man. 18. And when **Delilah** saw that he had told her all his heart, she sent and **called** for the lords of ■ the Philistines. **saying,** Come up this once, for ■ he hath shewed me all his ■ heart. Then the lords of the ■ Philistines came up unto her. ■ and brought money in their hand.

19. And she made him sleep upon her knees: and she called for a man. and she caused him to shave off the seven locks of his head; and she began to afflict him. and his strenath went from him. 20. And she said. The Philistines be upon thee, Samson, And he awoke out of his sleep. and said. I will ao out as at other times before, and shake myself. And he wist not that the LORD was departed from him. 21. But the Philistines took him, and put out his eyes, and brought him down to Gaza, and bound him with fetters of brass: and he did arind in the prison house. 22. Howbeit the hair of his head began to grow again after he was shaven. 23. Then the lords of the Philistines gathered them together for to offer a great sacrifice unto Dagon their aod, and to rejoice: for they said. Our god hath delivered Samson our enemy into our hand. 24. And when the people saw him, they praised their god: for they said. Our god hath delivered into our hands our enemy, and the destroyer of our country, which slew many of us. 25. And it came to pass. when their hearts were merry, that they said, Call for Samson, that he may make us sport. And they called for Samson out of the prison house; and he made them sport: and they set him

393 between the pillars. 26 And Samson said unto the lad that held him by the hand. Suffer me that I may feel the pillars whereupon the house standeth. that I may lean upon them. 27. Now the house was full of men and women; and all the lords of the Philistines were there: and there were upon the roof about three thousand men and women, that beheld while Samson made sport. 28 And Samson called unto the LORD. and said. O Lord

God, remember me, I pray thee, and strengthen me. I pray thee. only this once. O God.

that I may be at once avenged of the

Philistines for my two eyes.

29. And Samson took

hold of the two middle pillars upon which the

house stood, and on which it was borne up, of the one with his right hand, and of the other with his left.

30. And Samson

said. Let me die with the Philistines.

And he bowed himself

■ with all his might:

and the house fell

upon the lords, and upon all the people that were therein.

So the dead which he slew at his death

were more than

they which he

slew in his life.

31. Then his brethren

and all the house of his father came down, and

took him, and brought him up, and

buried him between

Zorah and Eshtaol

in the burying

place of Manoah his father, And he

CHAPTER 17

 And there was: a man of mount Ephraim, whose name was Micah. 2 And he

said unto his mother. The eleven hundred shekels of silver that were

l judged Israel twenty years.

taken from thee.

about which thou cursedst. and spakest of also in mine ears, behold, the silver

is with me: I took it. And his mother said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my son.

And when he had restored the

eleven hundred shekels of

silver to his mother, his mother said. I had wholly dedicated the silver unto

the LORD from my hand for my son, to make a graven

image and a molten image:

NOW therefore

I will restore it unto thee.

4. Yet he restored the money unto his mother; and his mother took two

hundred shekels of silver. and gave them to the founder, who made thereof

a graven image

and a molten image; and

they were in the house of Micah.

5. And the man

Micah had an house of gods, and made an

ephod, and teraphim, and consecrated one

of his sons, who became his priest.

> 6. In those days there was no king in Israel, but every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

7. And there was a young man out of Beth-lehem-judah of the family

of Judah, who was a

- Levite, and he sojourned there. 8 And the man departed out of the city from Beth-lehem-judah to sojourn where he could find a place:
- and he came to mount ■ | Ephraim to the house
- of Micah, as he journeyed.
- 9. And Micah said unto him.
- Whence comest thou?
- And he said unto him.
- I am a Levite of Beth-lehemjudah, and I go to sojourn where I may find a place.
- 10. And Micah said unto him.
- Dwell with me, and be
- unto me a father and
- a priest, and I will
- give thee ten shekels of
- silver by the year.
- and a suit of
- apparel, and thy
- | victuals. So the
- Levite went in.
 - 11. And the Levite was content to dwell with the man; and the young man was unto him as one of his sons.
- 12. And Micah consecrated ■ the Levite; and the young ■ | man became his priest.

and was in the house of Micah.

- 13. Then said
- Micah. Now know I that
- the LORD will do me
- good, seeing I have
- a Levite to my priest.

CHAPTER 18

- 1 1. In those days there
- was no king in Israel: and in those days the tribe of
- the Danites sought them an inheritance to
- dwell in: for unto that day all
- their inheritance had
- not fallen unto them
 - among the tribes of Israel.
- And the children of Dan sent of their family
- five men from their coasts, men of valour, from Zorah, and from Eshtaol,
- to spy out the land, and to search it; and they said unto them, Go, search the land: who

- when they came to mount Ephraim, to the house of Micah, they lodged there. 3. When they were by the house of Micah.
 - they knew the voice
- of the young man
- the Levite: and they turned in thither.
- and said unto him. Who brought thee hither? and

what makest thou in this place? and what hast thou here?

- And he said unto them.
- Thus and thus dealeth
- Micah with me, and
- hath hired me, and
- I am his priest.
- And they said unto him.
- Ask counsel, we pray thee,
- of God, that we may know
- whether our way which we go
- shall be prosperous.
- 6. And the priest
 - said unto them.
 - Go in peace: before the
 - LORD is your way wherein ve go. Then the five men
- departed, and came to Laish, and saw the people
 - that were therein, how they
 - dwelt careless.
- after the manner of the
- Zidonians, quiet and
- secure; and there
- was no magistrate in the

land, that might put them to shame in any thing; and they were far from the Zidonians, and had no business with any man.

- 8. And they came unto their
- brethren to Zorgh and Eshtaol:
- and their brethren
 - said unto them, What say ye?
 - 9. And they said, Arise, that we may
- go up against them:
- for we have seen
- the land, and, behold, it
- is very good: and are ye still? be not slothful to
- go, and to
 - enter to possess
 - the land.

10. When ye go, ye shall come unto a people secure, and to a large land: for God hath given it into your hands; a place where there is no want of any thing that is in the earth. 11 And there went from thence of the family

of the Danites, out of Zorah and out of Eshtaol.

six hundred men appointed with weapons of war.

12. And they went up, and pitched in Kiriath-jearim, in Judah: wherefore they called that place Mahaneh-dan unto this day: behold, it is behind Kirjath-jearim.

13. And they passed thence unto mount

Ephraim, and came

unto the house of Micah.

14. **Then** answered

the five men

that went to spy out the country of Laish, and

said unto their brethren,

Do ve know that

there is in these ■ houses an ephod, and

■ teraphim, and

a graven image, and

a molten image? now therefore consider what ve

■ | have to do.

15. And they turned thitherward, and

came to the house of the young man

the Levite, even unto the house of Micah

and saluted him

16. And the six hundred

men appointed with their weapons of war, which were of the children of Dan. stood by the entering

of the gate.

17. And the five men that went to spy out the land went up, and came in thither, and took the graven image, and the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image: and the priest stood in the entering of the gate with the six

hundred men that were appointed with weapons of war.

18. And these

went into Micah's house. and fetched the carved image, the ephod, and the teraphim, and the molten image. Then said the priest unto them,

What do ye? 19. And they said unto him.

Hold thy peace, lav

thine hand upon thy mouth. and go with us, and be

to us a father and a priest: is it better for thee to be

a priest unto the house of one man, or that thou be a priest unto a tribe and a family in Israel?

20. And the priest's heart was alad, and he took the ephod, and the teraphim, and the graven image, and went in the midst of the people.

21. So they turned and **departed**, and put the little ones and the cattle and the carriage before them.

22. **And** when they were a good way from the house of Micah. the men that were in the houses

near to

Micah's house were aathered together. and overtook the children of Dan.

23. And they cried unto the children of Dan. And

they turned their faces, and said unto Micah, What

aileth thee, that thou comest with such

a company? 24. And he said, Ye

have taken away my gods which I made,

and the priest, and ye are gone away: and what have I more? and what is this that ve say unto me. What aileth thee?

25. And the children

- of Dan said unto him,
 Let not thy voice
- be heard among us,
- lest angry fellows run upon thee, and
- thou lose thy life, with the lives of thy household.
 - 26. And the children of Dan went their way:
- and when Micah saw that they were too strong for
- him, he turned and went
- back unto his house.
- 27. And they took *the*
- things which Micah had made, and the priest which he had,
- and came unto Laish, unto a
- people that were at quiet and secure:
- and they
- smote them with the edge of the sword.
- and burnt the city with fire.
- 28. And there was no
- deliverer, because if was far from Zidon, and they had no

business with *any* man; and it was in the valley that *lieth* by Beth-rehob.

- And they built a city, and dwelt therein.
- 29. **And** they
- called the name of
- the city Dan, after the name of Dan their father, who was born unto Israel: howbeit the name of the city was Laish at the first.
- 30. And the children of Dan
- set up the graven image:
 and Jonathan, the son of
- Gershom, the son of Manasseh, he and his sons were priests
- to the tribe of Dan until the day of the captivity of the land.
- 31. And they set them up Micah's graven
- image, which he made,
- all the time that the house
- of God was in Shiloh.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. And it came to pass
- in those days, when
- there was no king in
 - Israel, that there was
- a certain Levite sojourning

- on the side of mount Ephraim, who
- took to him
- a concubine out of Beth-lehem-judah.
 - 2. And his concubine
- played the whore against
- him, and went away from him
- Lunto her father's
- house to Beth-lehem-judah,
- and was there four whole months.
- 3. And her husband arose, and
- went after her, to speak friendly unto her, and
- to bring her again,

having his servant with him, and a couple of asses:

- and she brought him into her father's house: and when
 - the father of the damsel saw him.

he rejoiced to meet him.

- And his father in law, the damsel's father, retained him;
- and he abode with him three days: so they did eat and drink, and lodged there.
- 5. And it came to pass
- on the fourth day, when they arose early in the morning, that
- he rose up to depart: and the damsel's father said

unto his son in law, Comfort thine heart with a morsel of bread.

- and afterward go your way.

 6. And they sat down, and did eat and drink both of them
- together: for the damsel's father had said unto the man,
- Be content, I pray thee,
 and tarry all night, and
 let thine heart be merry.
 - 7. And when the man rose up to depart, his father in law urged him:
- therefore he lodged
- there again.
- 8. And he arose
 - early in the morning
- on the fifth day to depart:

and the damsel's father said, Comfort thine heart, I pray thee.

- And they tarried until
 - afternoon, and they
 - did eat both of them.

And when the man rose up to depart.

he and his concubine, and his servant, his father in law.

- the damsel's father.
- said unto him. Behold, now
 - the day draweth
- toward evening, I pray you

tarry all night: behold, the day groweth to an end, lodge here. that thine heart may be merry; and tomorrow get you early on your way, that thou mayest go home.

- 10. But the man would not tarry that night.
- but he rose up and
- departed, and came over against Jebus, which is
- Jerusalem: and there were with him two asses saddled.
- his concubine also was with him.
 - 11. And when they were by
 - Jebus, the day was far spent: and the servant said unto his master. Come, I pray thee, and
 - let us turn in into this city of the Jebusites.
- and lodge in it.
 - 12. And his master
- | said unto him.

We will not turn aside hither into the city of a stranger,

that is not of the children of Israel;

we will pass over to Gibeah.

- 13. And he said unto his servant. Come, and let us draw near to one of these places to lodge all night. in Gibeah, or in Ramah.
- 14. And they passed on and went their way; and the sun went down upon them when they were by Gibeah, which belongeth to Benjamin.
- 15. And they
- turned aside thither.
- to go in and to
- lodge in Gibeah:
- and when he went in
- he sat him down in
- a street of the city: for there was
 - no man that

took them into his house to lodaina.

- 16. And, behold, there came an old man from his work out of the field at even.
 - which was also of mount
- Ephraim; and he
- solourned in Gibeah: but the men of the place were Benjamites. 6
 - 17 And when he had lifted up his eyes, he
 - saw a wayfaring man in
- the street of the city; and the old man said.
 - Whither goest thou?

and whence comest thou?

- And he said unto him. We are passing from Beth-lehem-judah
- toward the side of mount Ephraim:
- from thence am I: and I went to Beth-lehem-judah, but I am now going
 - to the house of the LORD;
 - and there is
- no man that
- receiveth me to house.
- 19. Yet there is both
- straw and provender
- for our asses: and there is
 - bread and wine also
- for me, and for thy handmaid. and for the young man which is with thy servants: there is no want of any thing.
- 20. And the old man said,
- Peace be with thee: howsoever let all thy wants lie
- upon me; only lodge not in the street.
- 21. So he brought him
- into his house, and gave provender unto the asses:
- and they washed their feet, and did eat and drink.
- 22. Now as they were making their hearts merry,
 - behold, the men of the city,
- certain sons of Belial.
 - beset the house round about, and
 - beat at the door, and spake to the master of the house, the old man,
- saying, Bring forth the man that came into thine house.

that we may know him. 23 And the man ■ the master of the house. ■ went out unto them. and said unto them. ■ Nay, my brethren, nay, I pray you, do not so wickedly: seeing that this man is come into mine house, do not this folly. 24. Behold, here is my daughter a maiden. and his concubine: them I will bring out now, and humble ve them. and do with them what seemeth good unto you: but unto this man do not so vile a thing. 25. But the men would not hearken to him: so the man took his concubine, and ■ i brought her forth unto them: and they knew her, and abused her all the **night** until the morning: and when the day began to spring, they let her go. 26. Then came the woman in the dawning of the day, and fell down at the door of the man's house where her lord was, till it was light. 27. And her lord rose up in the morning, and opened the doors of the house, and went out to go his way: and, behold, the woman his concubine was fallen down at the door of the house, and her hands were upon the threshold. 28. And he said unto her. Up. and let us be going. But none answered. Then the man took her up upon an ass, and the man rose up, and gat him unto his place. 29. And when he was

come into his house.

he took a knife, and

laid hold on his concubine.

and divided her, together with her bones,

into twelve pieces,
and sent her into all
the coasts of Israel.
30. And it was so, that
all that saw it said,
There was no such deed
done nor seen from the

■ Israel came up

out of the land of
 Egypt unto this day: consider of it, take advice, and speak your minds.

CHAPTER 20 1. Then all the children of Israel went out, and the congregation was gathered together as one man, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, with the land of Gilead. unto the LORD in Mizpeh. And the chief of all the people, even of all the tribes of Israel. presented themselves in the assembly of the people of God. four hundred thousand footmen that drew sword. 3. (Now the children of Benjamin heard that the children of Israel were gone up to Mizpeh.) Then said the children of Israel, Tell us. how was this wickedness? 4. And the Levite, the husband of the woman that was slain, answered and said, I came into Gibeah that *belongeth* to Benjamin, I and my concubine, to lodge. And the men of Gibeah rose against me, and beset the house round about upon me by night, and thought

to have slain me:

she is dead. 6. And I took my

and my concubine have they forced, that

concubine, and cut

six thousand

399 her in pieces. and sent her throughout all the country of the inheritance of Israel: for they have committed lewdness and folly in Israel. 7. Behold, ye are all children of Israel; give here your advice and counsel. 8. And all the people arose as one man, saving. We will not any of us go to his tent, neither will we any of us turn into his house. 9 But now this shall be the thing which we will do to Gibeah: we will go up by lot against it; 10. And we will take ten men of an hundred throughout all the tribes of Israel, and an hundred of a thousand, and a thousand out of ten thousand, to fetch victual for the people, that they may do. when they come to Gibeah of Benjamin. according to all the folly that they have wrought in Israel. So all the men of Israel. were gathered against the city, knit together as one man. 12. And the tribes of Israel sent men through all the tribe of Benjamin, saying, What wickedness is this that is done among you? 13. Now therefore deliver us the men, the children of Belial, which are in Gibeah, that we may put them to death, and put away evil from Israel. But the children of Benjamin would not hearken to the voice of their brethren the children of Israel. 14. But the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together out of the cities unto Gibeah, to go out

to battle against the children of

Benjamin were numbered

15. And the children of

at that time out of the cities.

Israel.

twenty and

men that drew sword beside the inhabitants of Gibeah, which were numbered seven hundred chosen men. 16. Among all this people there were seven hundred chosen men lefthanded: everv one could sling stones at an hair *breadth*. and not miss. 17 And the men of Israel, beside Benjamin, were numbered four hundred thousand men that drew sword: all these were men of war 18. And the children of Israel arose, and went up to the house of God, and asked counsel of God. and said, Which of us shall go up first to the battle against the children of Benjamin? And the LORD said, Judah *shall ao up* first. 19. And the children of Israel rose up in the morning, and encamped against Gibeah. 20. And the men of Israel went out to battle against Benjamin: and the men of Israel put themselves in array to fight against them at Gibéah. 21 And the children of Benjamin came forth out of Gibeah, and **destroyed** down to the ground of the Israelites that day twenty and two thousand men. 22. And the people the men of Israel encouraged themselves, and set their battle again in array in the place where they put themselves in array the first day. 23. (And the children of Israel went up and wept before the LORD until even. and asked counsel of the LORD, saying, Shall I go up again to battle against the

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children of Benjamin my brother?

And the LORD said. Go up against him.) 24 And the children of Israel came near against the children of Benjamin the second day. 25. And Benjamin went forth against them. **Out** of Gibeah the second day, and destroyed down to the around of the children of Israel again eighteen thousand men: all these drew the sword. 26. Then all the children of **Israel**, and all the people. went up, and came unto the house of God. and wept, and sat there before the LORD. and fasted that day until even. and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings before the LORD. 27. And the children of Israel inquired of the LORD. (for the ark of the covenant of God was there in those days. 28. And Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron, stood before it in those days,) saying, Shall I yet again go out to battle against the children of ■ Beniamin my brother. or shall I cease? And the LORD said. Go up: for to-morrow I will deliver them into thine hand. 29. And Israel set liers in wait round about Gibeah. 30. And the children of Israel went up against the children of Benjamin on the third day, and put themselves in array against Gibeah, as at other times.

And the children of

the people, and were

and they began to smite of the

Benjamin went out against

drawn away from the city:

people, and kill, as at other times. in the highways, of which one goeth up to the house of God. and the other to Gibeah in the field, about thirty men of Israel. 32. And the children of Benjamin said. They are smitten down before us, as at the first. But the children of Israel said. Let us flee, and draw them from the city unto the highways. 33. And all the men of Israel rose up out of their place, and put themselves in array at Baal-tamar: and the liers in wait of Israel came forth out of their places. even out of the meadows of Gibeah. 34. And there came against Gibeah ten thousand chosen men out of all Israel and the battle was sore; but they knew not that evil was near them. 35. And the LORD smote Beniamin before Israei: and the children of Israel destroved of the Benjamites that day twenty and five thousand and an hundred men: all these drew the sword. So the children of Benjamin saw that they were smitten: for the men of **Israel** gave place to the Benjamites, because they trusted unto the liers in wait which they had set beside Gibeah. 37. And the liers in wait hasted, and rushed upon Gibeah; and the liers in wait drew themselves along, and smote all the city with the edge of the sword. 38. Now there was an appointed sign **between** the men of Israel and the liers in wait. that they should make a great flame with smoke rise up out of the city. 39. And when the men of Israel retired

in the battle. Benjamin began to smite

and kill of the men of Israel about thirty persons: for they said, Surely

they are smitten down before us, as *in* the first battle.

40. But when the flame

began to arise up out of the city with a pillar of smoke,

■ the Benjamites

■ looked behind them,

and, behold,

the flame of the city ascended up

■ to heaven.

41. And when the men of Israel turned again, the

Israel turned again, the men of Benjamin were
 amazed: for they saw that

evil was come upon them.
42. **Therefore they turned**

their backs before the men of Israel

wilderness; but the battle overtook them; and them

which *came* out of the cities they destroyed in the midst of them.
43. *Thus* they enclosed the

Benjamites round about, and chased them, and trode them down with ease over against Gibeah toward the sunrising.

44. And there fell of
 Benjamin eighteen thousand men; all these were men of valour.
 45. And they turned and fled toward the wilderness unto the rock of

Rimmon: and they gleaned of them in the highways five thousand men; and pursued hard after them unto Gidom, and slew two thousand men of them.

46. So that all which fell

that day of Benjamin were twenty and

five thousand men that

drew the sword; all these were men of valour.

47. But six hundred men turned and

fled to the wilderness unto

the rock Rimmon, andabode in the rock Rimmon

four months.

■ 48. **And** the men of

Israel turned again upon the children of Benjamin.

and smote them

■ | with the edge of

the sword, as well the men of every city, as the beast, and all that came to hand:

■ also they set on fire

all the cities that

 \blacksquare they came to.

CHAPTER 21

 Now the men of Israel had sworn in Mizpeh, saying, There shall not any of us give his daughter unto Benjamin to wife.

And the people came to the house of God, and abode there till even before God.

and lifted up theirvoices, and wept sore;

3. And said, OLORD God of Israel.

why is this come

to pass in Israel.
that there shou

that there should be to-day one tribe lacking in Israel?

 And it came to pass on the morrow, that

■ the people rose early, and

built there an altar.

an altar, and offered burnt offerings and peace
 offerings.

5. And the children of Israel said, Who is there

among all

the tribes of Israel that

came not up with the congregation unto the LORD? For they had

unto the LORD? For made a great oath

concerning him that came

not up to the LORD to Mizpeh,

saying, He shall surely be put to death.

be put to death.6. And the children of

Israel repented them

for Benjamin their brother,
and said, There is one tribe

■ cut off from Israel this day.

7. How shall we do for wives for them that remain, seeing we

have sworn by the LORD that we will not give them

of our daughters to wives?

- 8. And they said,
- What one is there of the
- tribes of Israel that
- came not up to Mizpeh
- to the LORD? And, behold.
- there came none to the camp from Jabesh-ailead
 - to the assembly.
 - 9. For the people were numbered, and behold, there were none of the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead there.
- 10. And the congregation
- sent thither
 - twelve thousand
- men of the valiantest
- and commanded
- them, saving.
- Go and smite the
 - inhabitants of Jabesh-
- ailead with the edge of the sword, with the women and the children.
 - 11 And this is the thing that ye shall do.
- Ye shall utterly
- destroy every male,
- and every woman that hath lain by man.
 - 12. And they found among the inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead
- four hundred young
- virgins, that had known no man by lying with any male:
- and they brought
- them unto the camp
- to Shiloh, which is
- in the land of
- Canaan.
- 13. And the whole
- congregation sent some to speak to the children
- of Benjamin that were in
- the rock Rimmon, and to call peaceably unto them.
 - 14. And Benjamin came again at that time;
- and they gave them
- Wives which they had saved alive of the women of Jabesh-
- gilead: and yet so
- they sufficed them not.
 - 15. And the people repented them for Benjamin, because that the LORD had

- made a breach in the tribes of Israel
- 16 Then the elders of the congregation
- said. How shall we do for wives for them that
- remain, seeing the women are destroyed out of Benjamin? 17. And they said. There must be an inheritance for them that be escaped of Benjamin, that a tribe be not destroyed out of Israel.
 - 18. Howbeit we may not give them wives of our daughters: for the children of Israel have sworn, saving, Cursed be he that giveth a wife to Benjamin.
- 19. Then they said, Behold. there is a feast of the LORD in Shiloh yearly in a place which is on the north side of Beth-el.
 - on the east side of the highway that goeth up from Beth-el to Shechem. and on the south of Lebonah 20. Therefore they
- commanded the children of Benjamin, saving, Go and
- lie in wait in the vineyards:
- And see, and, behold.
- if the daughters of Shiloh come out to dance in dances,
- then come ve out of the vineyards, and
- catch you
 - every man his wife of the daughters of Shiloh,
 - and go to the
- land of Benjamin. 22. And it shall be.
- when their
- fathers or their brethren come unto us
- to complain, that we will say unto them,
- Be favourable unto them
- for our sakes: because we reserved not to each
- man his wife in the war: for
 - ve did not give unto them at this time, that ye should be guilty.
- 23. And the children of Benjamin did so, and took them wives, according to their number, of them that danced, whom they caught:

and they went and returned unto their inheritance, and repaired the cities,	and to his out from to his i
and dwelf in them. 24. And the children of Israel departed thence at that time, every man to his tribe	25. In t was no man d right in

and to his family, and they went out from thence every man to his inheritance.

25. In those days there was no king in Israel: every man did that which was right in his own eyes.

A CONFESSION OF LOVE

Entreat me not to leave thee, or to return from following after thee: for Whither thou goest, I will go; and where thou lodgest, I will lodge: thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God.

Ruth 1:16

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CHAPTER 1

- Now it came to pass in the days when the judges ruled, that there was a famine in the land. And
- C certain
- man of Beth-lehem-judah
- went to sojourn in the country of
- **Moab**, he, and his wife, and his two sons.
 - 2. And the name of
- the man was
- Elimelech, and the name of
- his wife Naomi,
- **and** the name of
- I his two sons Mahlon
- and Chilion, Ephrathites of Beth-lehem-judah.
- And they came into the country of Moab, and
- continued there.
- 3. And Elimelech
- Naomi's husband
- died; and she was left, and her two sons.
- 4. And they took them
- wives of the women of Moab; the name of the
- one *was* Orpah,
- and the name of
- the other Ruth: and they dwelled there about ten years.
- 5. And Mahlon and
- Chilion died also both of them;
 - of her two sons and her husband.
 - 6. Then she arose
- with her daughters in law, that she might return from the country of Moab: for she had heard in the country of Moab how that the LORD had visited his people in giving them bread.
- 7. Wherefore she went forth out of the place where she was.
- out of the place where she was, and her two daughters
- in law with her; and they
 - went on the way to return
- unto the land of
- Judah.
- 8. And Naomi said unto her two daughters in law,
 - ı∣ Go, return each to her

- mother's house: the LORD deal
- kindly with you, as ye have dealt with the dead, and with me.
- 9. The LORD grant you that ye may
- find rest, each of you
 - in the house of her husband.

 Then she kissed them:
- Then she kissed them;and they lifted up their voice.
- and they lifted up their voice, and wept.
- 10. And they said unto her. Surely
 - we will return with
- thee unto thy people.
- 11. And Naomi said,
 - Turn again, my daughters:
- why will ye go with me? are there yet any more sons in my womb, that they may be your husbands?
- 12. Turn again, my daughters,
- go your way; for
- I am too old to have
 - an husband. If I
 - should say, I have hope,

 if I should have
- if I should have an husband also
- an husband also
- to-night, and should also
- bear sons;
- 13. Would ye tarry for them
 till they were grown? would
 - ye stay for them from having husbands? nav. my daughters;
- for it grieveth me much for
- your sakes that the hand of the LORD is gone out
- against me.
 - 14. And they lifted up their voice, and wept again:
- and Orpah kissed her
 mother in law; but Ruth
 clave unto her.
- 15. And she said, Behold,
 - thy sister in law is
- gone back unto her people, and unto her gods: return thou after thy sister in law.
- 16. And Ruth said, Entreat me not to leave thee, or to
- return from following after thee:
- for whither thou goest,

 I will go; and where
- thou lodgest, I will lodge:
- thy people shall be my

people, and thy God my God:

17. Where thou diest.

will I die, and there will I be buried: the LORD do so to me. and more also. if aught but death part thee and me.

18. When she saw that she was stedfastly minded to go with her. then she left speaking unto her.

19. **So they** two went until they came to Beth-lehem. And it came to pass, when they were come to Beth-lehem, that

all the city was moved about them, and they said, Is this Naomi?

20 And she said unto them Call me not Naomi, call

me Mara: for the Almighty hath dealt very bitterly with me.

21. I went out full and the LORD hath brought

me home again

empty: why then call ye me Naomi, seeing the

LORD hath testified against me. and the Almighty hath

afflicted me?

22. So Naomi returned. and Ruth the Moabitess.

her daughter in law, with her, which returned out of the country of Moab; and they

| came to Beth-lehem in the beginning of

■ barley harvest.

CHAPTER 2

1. And Naomi had a kinsman of her husband's. a mighty man of wealth, of the family of Elimelech; and his name was Boaz

2. And Ruth the Moabitess. said unto Naomi. Let

me now go to the field. and glean ears of corn

after him in whose sight I shall find grace. And she said unto her, Go, my daughter.

3. And she went, and came, and gleaned in the field after the

reapers; and her hap was to light on a part of the field

belonging unto Boaz, who was of the kindred of Elimelech.

4. And, behold.

Bogz came from Beth-lehem, and said unto the reapers.

The LORD be with you. And they answered him. The LORD bless thee. Then said Boaz unto his servant.

that was set over the reaners Whose damsel is this? And the servant that was set over the reapers.

answered and said

It is the Moabitish damsel . that came back with

Naomi out of the country of Moab:

And she said, I pray you. let me alean and

gather after the

reapers among the sheaves:

so she came, and hath continued even

from the morning until now, that she tarried a little in the house.

8 Then said Boaz unto Ruth. Hearest thou not, my daughter?

Go not to alean in another field, neither go from hence.

but abide here fast by my maidens:

> Let thine eyes be on the field that they do reap, and go thou after them: have I not charged the young men that they shall not touch thee? and when thou art athirst, go unto the vessels, and drink of that which the young men have drawn.

10. **Then she** fell on her face, and **bowed** herself to the ground.

and said unto him.

Why have I found grace in thine eyes.

> that thou shouldest take knowledge of me, seeing I am a stranger?

11 And Boaz

answered and said unto her,

It hath fully

been shewed me, all that

thou hast done unto

thy mother in law since the death of thine husband:

and how thou hast left

thy father and thy mother, and

the land of thy

■ nativity, and art

come unto a people which thou knewest not heretofore.

12. The LORD recompense thy work,

and a full reward be given thee of the LORD

God of Israel, under whose wings thou art come to trust.

■ 13. Then she said, ■ Let me find favour ■ in thy sight, my lord;

■ for that

thou hast comforted
me, and for that thou hast
spoken friendly unto thine
handmaid, though I be not like

unto one of thine handmaidens.

14. **And Boaz said** unto her.

14. And Boaz said unto her,
 At mealtime come thou hither,
 and eat of the bread, and dip
 thy morsel in the vinegar. And she
 sat beside the reapers; and he

sat beside the reapers: and he reached her parched *corn*, and she did eat, and

was sufficed, and left.15. And when she was

risen up to glean,

Boaz commanded

his young men,
saying, Let her glean

even among the sheaves,
and reproach her not:

16. And let fall also *some* of the handfuls of purpose for her, and leave *them*, that she may glean *them*, and rebuke her not.

17. So she gleaned in the field until even, and beat out that she had gleaned:

and it was about an ephah of barley.

18. And she took it up, and went into the city:

■ went into the city:■ and her mother in law saw

what she had gleaned:

■ and she brought forth, and

gave to

■ her that she had

reserved after she was sufficed.

1 19. And her mother in

| law said unto her,

■ Where hast thou gleaned

to-day? and where wroughtest thou? blessed be he that did take knowledge of thee.

And she shewed her mother in law with whom she had wrought, and

said, The man's name with whom I wrought to-day

■ *is* Boaz.

20. And Naomi said unto her daughter in law,

Blessed be he of the LORD, who hath not left off his kindness to the living and to the dead. And Naomi said unto her,

■ The man is near of

kin unto us, one of our next kinsmen.

■ 21. And Ruth the Moabitess

said, He said unto me also,
Thou shalt keep fast by my

young men, until they have

ended all my harvest.

unto Ruth her daughter in law,

If is good, my daughter, that thou go out with his maidens, that they meet thee not in any other field.

■ 23. **So she kept** fast

by the maidens of Boaz to glean unto the end of barley

■ harvest and of wheat harvest:

and dwelt with her

mother in law.

CHAPTER 3

1. Then Naomi her mother in law

said unto her,

My daughter, shall I not seek rest for thee,

that it may be well with thee?

2. And now is not

■ Bogz of our kindred, with whose maidens thou wast? Behold, he

winnoweth barley to night

in the threshingfloor.

■ 3. Wash thyself

therefore, and anoint thee, and

put thy raiment upon thee,

and get thee down to the

floor: but make not thy self

known unto the man.

until he shall have
done eating and drinking.
4. And it shall be.

when he lieth

down, that thou shalt mark the place

mark the place where he shall lie.

■ and thou shalt

go in, and uncover his feet, and lay thee

down; and he will tell thee what thou shalt do.

5. And she said unto her. All that

thou sayest unto me I will do.

6. And she went down unto the floor, and did according to all that her mother in law bade her.

 And when Boaz had eaten and drunk, and his heart was merry,

he went to

lie down at the end of the heap of corn:

and she came softly, anduncovered his feet,

and laid her

And it came to pass

at midnight, that the man was afraid, and

turned himself: and,

behold, a woman lay at his feet.

■ 9. And he said, Who

art thou? And she answered,

spread therefore thy skirt over thine handmaid; for thou *art* a near kinsman.

10. And he said, Blessed be thou of the LORD, my daughter: for thou hast shewed more kindness in the latter end than at the beginning, inasmuch as thou followedst not young men, whether poor or rich.

11. And now, my daughter,
 fear not; I will do to thee
 all that thou requirest:

for all the city of my people doth know that thou art a virtuous woman.

12. And now

if is frue that I am thy

near kinsman: howbeit

there is a kinsman negrer than I.

Tarry this night, and it shall be in the morning, that

if he will perform unto thee the part of a kinsman, well:

■ let him do the kinsman's part:

but if he will not do the part of a kinsman to thee,

then will I do the part of a kinsman to thee, as the LORD liveth: lie down until the morning.

14. And she lay of his fee

14. And she lay at his feet until the morning: and she

■ rose up

before one could know another. And he said, Let it not be known that a woman came into the floor.

15. **Also** he said, Bring the veil that *thou hast* upon thee, and hold it. And when she held it,

he measured six *measures* of barley, and laid *it* on

her: and she went into the city.

16. And when she came

16. And when she came to her mother in law, she said, Who art thou, my daughter? And

she told her

all that the manhad done to her.

17. And she said, These six measures of barley gave he me; for he said to me, Go not empty unto thy mother in law.

■ 18. Then said she,
■ Sit still, my daughter.

until thou know how the matter will fall: for the man will not be in rest, until he have finished the thing this day.

CHAPTER 4

1) 1. Then went Boaz up

†O the gate, and sat him down there: and, behold,

the kinsman of whom Boaz spake came by; unto whom he said, Ho, such a one! turn aside, sit down here. And he turned aside, and sat down.

■ 2. And he took

I ten men of the elders

of the city, and said. Sit ve down here. And they sat down. 3 And he said unto the kinsman, Naomi, that is come again out of the country of Moab, selleth a parcel of land. which was our brother

Elimelech's:

4. And I thought to advertise thee, saving. Buy it before the inhabitants. and before the elders of my people.

If thou wilt redeem it. redeem it: but if thou will not redeem it, then tell me, that I may know: for there is none to redeem

it beside thee; and I am after thee. And he said.

I will redeem it. 5. Then said Boaz. What day thou buyest the

field of the hand of Naomi. thou must buy it also

of Ruth the Moabitess. the wife of the dead.

to raise up the name of the dead upon

his inheritance.

6. And the kinsman said.

I cannot redeem it for myself. lest I mar mine own

inheritance: redeem

thou my right to thyself; for I cannot redeem it.

> 7. Now this was the manner in former. time in Israel concerning redeeming and concerning changing, for to confirm all things; a man plucked off his shoe, and gave it to his neighbour: and this was a testimony in Israel.

8. Therefore the kinsman said unto Boaz, Buy it for thee. So he drew off his shoe. 9. And Boaz said

unto the elders, and

unto all the people. ■ Ye are witnesses this day, that

I I have bought all that was

Elimelech's, and all that was Chilion's and Mahlon's.

of the hand of Naomi

10. Moreover Ruth the Moabitess, the wife of Mahlon

have I purchased to be my wife, to raise up the name

of the dead upon his

inheritance, that the name of the dead be not cut off from among his brethren, and from the gate of his place: ve are witnesses this day.

11. And all the people that were in the gate, and the elders.

said. We are witnesses. The LORD make the

woman that is come into

thine house like Rachel and like Leah, which two did build the house of Israel: and do thou worthily in Ephratah, and be

famous in Beth-lehem:

12. And let thy house be like the house of Pharez, whom Tamar bare unto Judah, of the seed which the LORD shall give thee of this young woman.

13. So Boaz took Ruth. and she was his wife; and when he went in unto her, the LORD gave her conception.

and she bare a son.

14. And the women said unto Naomi. Blessed be

the LORD, which

hath not left thee this day without a kinsman, that his name may be famous in Israel.

15. And he shall be unto thee a restorer of thy life.

and a nourisher of thine old age: for thy daughter in law.

which loveth thee, which is better to thee than

seven sons, hath born him. And Naomi took the child. and laid it in her bosom, and

became nurse unto it.

17. **And the**

women her neighbours gave it a name, saying, There is a son born

to Naomi: and they

called his name.

Obed: he is the father of Jesse, the father of David. 18. Now these are the generations of Pharez: Pharez begat Hezron,

19. And Hezron begat Ram, and Ram begat Amminadab, 20. And Amminadab begat Nahshon,

and Nahshon begat Salmon, 21. And Salmon begat Boaz, and Boaz begat Obed, 22. And Obed begat Jesse, and Jesse begat David.

THE HISTORICAL BOOKS

Included in the historical books of the Bible are: I and II Samuel, I and Il Kings, I and Il Chronicles, Ezra, and Nehemiah.

- The History began just after the Judges of Israel
- and continued through the period of the Kings, Saul, David and Solomon, the Divided Kinadoms, the downfall of the Northern Kingdom.
- the destruction of Jerusalem, the captivity, and the return of a remnant to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem and the Temple.
- During Israel's long journey in the wilderness. under the leadership of Moses.
- God had revealed that the new nation he would establish

in the Promised Land would be unique. The children of Israel were to be a Peculiar People. and a living witness to the heathen

nations that would surround them.

- In Israel there would not ■ be an earthly king. as in heathen nations.
- Rather, God would aovern

- His people directly
- through His Prophets. Priests, and Judges. While in the wilderness
- God established the law. a code of conduct
 - for the family, society, commerce, and government.
- Israel came into the
 - Promised Land
- through God's miraculous power. and auickly rebelled
 - against God's will.
- demanding an earthly kina.
- God instructed Samuel
 - to anoint Saul kina. and as God had warned
- the abuses of monarchy
- began almost
- immediately.
- There were brief
- periods of alory and
 - prosperity
 - during the reigns of David and Solomon.
- Thereafter, came deterioration,
- decay, and the final
- destruction of God's
- chosen people
- as a nation.

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1 Now there was a certain man of Ramathaim-zophim, of mount Ephraim, and his name was
- Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Elihu, the son of Tohu. the son of Zuph, an Ephrathite:

2. And he

had two wives: the name of the one was

Hannah, and the name of the other

■ Peninnah: and Peninnah had children, but Hannah had no children.

3. And this man went up out of his city yearly

to worship and to sacrifice unto the LORD

> of hosts in Shiloh, And the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, the priests of the LORD, were there.

4. And when the time was that Elkanah offered.

he gave to Peninnah ■ his wife, and to all

■ her sons and her

daughters, portions: 5. But unto Hannah he

gave a worthy portion; for he loved Hannah:

but the LORD had shut up her womb.

> 6. And her adversary also provoked her sore, for to make her fret, because the LORD had shut up her womb.

■ 7. **And** *as* he did so year by year, when

she went up

■ to the house of the LORD. so she provoked her; therefore

she wept, and did not eat.

8. Then said Elkanah her husband to her, Hannah,

why weepest thou? and why eatest thou not? and why is thy heart grieved?

■ | am not I better to

■ thee than ten sons? 9. So Hannah rose up

after they had eaten in Shiloh,

■ and after they had

drunk. Now Eli the

priest sat upon a seat

bv a post of

the temple of the LORD.

10. And she was

in bitterness of soul, and prayed unto the

LORD, and wept sore.

11 And she vowed a yow, and said, O LORD of hosts.

if thou wilt indeed look on the affliction of thine handmaid. and remember me, and not forget thine handmaid, but wilt

give unto

thine handmaid a man child, then I will give him unto the LORD all the days of

his life, and there

shall no razor come upon his head.

12. And it came to pass,

as she continued

praving before the LORD, that Eli marked her mouth.

> 13. Now Hannah, she spake in her heart:

only her lips moved. but her voice was not heard:

therefore Eli thought she

had been drunken. 14. And Eli said unto her.

How long wilt thou be drunken? put away thy wine from thee. 15. And Hannah answered and

said. No. my lord.

I am a woman of a

sorrowful spirit: I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but have poured out my soul before the LORD.

16. Count

not thine handmaid for a daughter

of Belial: for out of the abundance

of my complaint and

grief have I spoken hitherto.

17. Then Eli answered and

said. Go in peace: and the

God of Israel

grant *thee* thy petition

that thou hast asked of him.

18. And she said. Let thine handmaid find grace in thy sight. | So the woman went her way, and did eat, and

her countenance

was no more sad.

■ 19. And they rose

■ up in the morning early, ■ and worshipped be

and worshipped before the LORD, and

■ returned, and came

to their house to Ramah:

and Elkanah knew Hannah his wife; and

the LORD remembered her.

20. Wherefore it came to pass, when the time was come about after Hannah had conceived, that

she bare a son, and called his name Samuel,

saying, Because I have asked him of the LORD.

■ 21. And the man

Elkanah. and all his house.

went up to offer unto the LORD

the yearly sacrifice, and his vow.

22. But Hannah

went not up; for she

said unto her husband,

I will not go up until the
 child be weaned, and
 then I will bring him,

that he may appear before the LORD.

and there abide for ever

and there abide for ever.

23. And Elkanah her husband said unto her. Do what seemeth thee good; larry until thou have weaned him: only the LORD establish his word. So the woman abode, and gave her son suck until she weaned him.

24. And when she had weaned him, she took him up with her, with

■ three bullocks.

and one ephah of

flour, and a bottle of

■ Wine, and brought him

unto the house of the LORD

in Shiloh: and the child was young.
 25. And they slew a bullock,
 and brought the child to Eli.

26. And she said.

Oh my lord, as thy soul liveth, my lord,

I am the woman that stood by thee here, praying unto the LORD.

■ 27. For this child I

prayed; and the LORD hath given me my petition

which I asked of him:

28. Therefore also I have lent him to the LORD;

as long as he liveth he

shall be lent to the LORD.

And he worshipped the LORD there.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. And Hannah
- prayed, and said,
- My heart rejoiceth

in the LORD, mine horn is exalted in the LORD: my mouth is enlarged over mine enemies; because I rejoice

■ in thy salvation.

2. There is none holy as the LORD: for there is none beside thee: neither is there any rock

■ like our God.

Talk no more so exceeding proudly;

let *not* arrogancy come out of your mouth; for the

LORD is a God of

knowledge, and by him actions are weighed.

■ 4. **The** bows of the

mighty men are broken,
and they that stumbled are
girded with strength.

5. They that were full have hired out themselves for bread; and they that were hungry ceased: so that the barren hath born seven; and she that hath many children is waxed feeble.

6. The LORD killeth, and
 maketh alive: he bringeth down to the grave, and bringeth up.

7. The LORD maketh

■ poor, and maketh

rich: he bringeth low, and lifteth up.

8. He raiseth up the poor out of the dust, and lifteth up the beggar from the dunghill, to set them among princes, and to make them inherit the throne of glory:

for the pillars of the earth are the LORD's, and he hath

take it by force.

17. Wherefore the

I SAMUEL 2 set the world upon them. 9. He will keep the feet of his saints, and the wicked shall be silent in darkness: for by strenath shall no man prevail. 10. The adversaries of the LORD shall be broken to pieces; out of heaven shall he thunder upon them: the LORD shall judge the ends of the earth: and he shall give strength unto his king, and exalt the horn of his anointed. 11. And Elkanah went to Ramah to his house. And the child did minister unto the LORD before Eli the priest. 12 Now the sons of Eli were sons of Belial: they knew not the LORD. 13. And the priest's custom with the people was, that, when any man offered sacrifice, the priest's servant came. while the flesh was in seething. with a fleshhook of three teeth in his hand: ■ 14. And he struck if into the **pan**, or kettle, or caldron, or pot; ■ | all that ■ the fleshhook brought up the priest took for himself. So they did in Shiloh, unto all the Israelites that came thither. 15. Also before they burnt the fat, the priest's servant came, and said to the man that sacrificed. Give flesh to roast for the priest; for he will not have sodden flesh of thee. but raw. 16. And if any man said unto him, Let them not fail to ■ burn the fat presently, and ■ then take as much as thy

soul desireth; then he would

■ answer him, Nay;

give it me now: and

■ but thou shalt

if not, I will

sin of the young men was very areat before the LORD: for men abhorred the offering of the LORD. 18. But Samuel ministered before the LORD, being a child, girded with a linen ephod. 19. Moreover his mother made him **a** little coat, and brought it to him from year to year. when she came up with her husband to offer the yearly sacrifice. 20. And Eli blessed Elkanah and his wife, and said. The LORD give thee seed of this woman for the loan which is lent to the LORD. And they went unto their own home. 21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD. 22. Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation. And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for I hear of your evil dealings by all this people. 24. Nay, my sons; for it is no good report that I hear: ve make the LORD's people to transgress. 25. If one man sin against another, the judge shall judge him: but if a man sin against the LORD, who shall entreat for him? Notwithstanding

417 they hearkened not unto the voice of ■ I their father, because the LORD would slav them. 26. And the child Samuel arew on. and was in favour both with the LORD, and also with men. 27. And there came a man of God unto Eli, and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD. Did I plainly appear unto the house of thy father, when they were in Egypt in Pharaoh's house? 28. **And** did I choose him out of all the tribes of Israel to be my priest, to offer upon mine altar, to burn incense, to wear an ephod before me? and did I give unto the house of thy father all the offerings made by fire of the children of Israel? 29. Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice and at mine offering, which I have commanded in my habitation; and honourest thy sons above me, to make vourselves fat with the chiefest of all the offerings of Israel my people? 30. Wherefore the LORD God of Israel saith. I said indeed that thy house, and

the house of thy father.

me shall be lightly esteemed.

thine arm, and the arm of

■ I will cut off

31. Behold, the days come, that

thy father's house, that there

32. And thou shalt see an enemy in

my habitation, in all the wealth

shall not be an old man in thine house.

should walk before me for

Be it far from me; for them that honour

me I will honour, and they that despise

ever: but now the LORD saith.

and there shall not be an old man in thine house for ever. 33. And the man of thine, whom I shall. not cut off from mine altar, shall be to consume thine eyes, and to grieve thine heart: and all the increase of thine house shall die in the flower of their age. 34. And this shall be a sian unto thee. that shall come upon thy two sons. on Hophni and Phinehas: in one day they shall die both of them. 35. And I will raise me up a faithful priest. that shall do according to that which is in mine heart and in my mind; and I will build him a sure house: and he shall walk before mine anointed for ever. 36. And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left in thine house shall come and crouch to him for a piece of silver and a morsel of bread, and shall say, Put me, I pray thee. into one of the priests' offices, that I may eat a piece of bread. CHAPTER 3

which God shall give Israel:

1. And the child Samuel ministered unto the LORD before Eli. And the word of the LORD was precious in those days; there was no open vision. 2. And it came to pass at that time, when Eli was

laid down in his place, and his eyes began to wax dim, that he could not see:

3. And ere the lamp of God went out in the temple of the LORD. where the ark of God was.

and Samuel was

laid down to sleep:

4 That the LORD

called Samuel: and he answered. Here am I.

5. And he ran unto Eli, and said. Here am I.

for thou calledst me.

And he said. I called not: lie down again. And he went

and lay down.

6. And the LORD

called yet again, Samuel.

And Samuel arose and went to Eli. and

said. Here am I: for

thou didst call me.

And he answered. I called not.

my son: lie down again.

7. Now Samuel did not vet know the LORD, neither was

the word of the LORD yet revealed unto him.

8. And the LORD ■ called Samuel

again the third time.

And he arose and went to Eli, and said. Here am I; for thou didst call me.

And Eli perceived that the ■ LORD had called the child.

9. Therefore Eli

said unto Samuel.

■ Go, lie down: and it shall be. if he call thee, that thou shalt

say, Speak, LORD; for

thy servant heareth. So Samuel went and

lay down in his place.

10. And the LORD came, and stood, and

called as at other times. Samuel, Samuel,

Then Samuel answered. Speak; for thy

servant heareth.

11. And the LORD said

to Samuel, Behold, I will do a thing in Israel, at which both the ears of every one that heareth it shall tingle. 12. In that day

■ | I will perform against Eli all ■ things which I have spoken

■ | concerning his house:

when I begin, I will also make an end.

13. For I have told him that

I will judge his house for ever for the iniquity

which he knoweth; because

his sons made themselves vile.

and he restrained them not.

> 14. And therefore I have sworn unto the house of Eli, that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be purged with sacrifice nor offering for ever.

15. And Samuel

lay until the morning, and opened the doors of

the house of the

LORD, And Samuel

feared to shew

Eli the vision.

16. Then Eli called

Samuel, and said, Samuel, my son. And he answered, Here am I.

And he said.

What is the thing that the LORD hath

said unto thee?

I pray thee hide it not from me: God do so to thee, and more also, if thou hide any thing from me of all the things that he said unto thee.

18. And Samuel

told him every whit,

= | and hid nothing from him.

And he said, It is the LORD: let him do what seemeth him

good.

19. And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him.

> and did let none of his words fall to the ground.

20. And all Israel from Dan even to Reer-sheba knew that Samuel

was established to be a prophet of the LORD.

21. And the LORD

appeared again in Shiloh: for the LOBD revealed himself

to Samuel in Shiloh

■ by the word of

■ the LORD.

CHAPTER 4

I■ 1. And the word of

419 ■ | Samuel came to all Israel. Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battle, and pitched beside Eben-ezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek. 2. And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle. Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand men. 3 And when the people were come into the camp. the elders of Israel said. Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to-day before the Philistines? Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us. that, when it cometh among us. it may save us out of the hand of our enemies. 4. So the people sent to Shiloh, that they might bring from thence the ark of the covenant of the LORD of hosts, which dwelleth between the cherubims: and the two sons of Eli. Hophni and Phinehas. were there with the ark of the covenant of God. 5. And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp. all Israel shouted with a great shout. so that the earth rang again. 6. And when the Philistines heard the noise of the shout, they said, What meaneth the noise of this great shout in the camp of the Hebrews? And they understood that the ark of the LORD

was come into the camp.

7. And the Philistines

God is come into the camp.

And they said.

were afraid, for they said,

Woe unto us! for there hath not

been such a thing heretofore. 8. Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these *are* the Gods that smote the Eavotians with all the plagues in the wilderness. 9. **Be strong** and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you: quit vourselves like men. and fight. And the Philistines fought. and Israel was smitten. and they fled every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter: for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen. 11. And the ark of God was taken: and the two sons of Eli. Hophni and Phinehas. were slain. 12. And there ran a man of Benjamin out of the army, and came to Shiloh the same day with his clothes rent, and with earth upon his head. 13. And when he came, lo. Eli sat upon a seat by the wayside watching: for his heart trembled for the ark of God. And when the man came into the city. and told it, all the city cried out. 14. And when Eli heard the noise of

the crying, he said. What meaneth the noise of this tumult? And the man came in hastily, and told Eli.

15. Now Eli was ninety and eight years old; and his eyes were dim, that he could not see.

16. And the man said unto Eli.

I am he that came out of the army, and I fled to-day out of the army. And he said. What is there done, my son? 17. And the messenger answered and said.

Israel is fled before the Philistines, and ■ I there hath been also ■ a great slaughter among the people, and thy two sons ■ **GISO.** Hophni and Phinehas. are dead, and the ark of God is taken. 18. **And** it came to pass. when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat **backward** by the side of the gate, and his neck brake. and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy. And he had judged Israel forty years.
19. And his daughter ■ in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings ■ I that the ark of God I was taken, and that her ■ father in law and her husband were dead, she

bowed herself and travailed; for

her pains came upon her. 20. And about the time

■ of her death the women

■ that stood by her

said unto her, Fear not; for

thou hast born a son. But she answered not.

neither did she regard it.

21. And she named the child Ichabod, saying, The

glory is departed from Israel:

because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.

22. And she said, The glory is departed from Israel: for ■ I the ark of God is taken.

CHAPTER 5

■ 1 1. And the Philistines took the ark of God, and brought it from Eben-ezer unto Ashdod.

2. When the Philistines took

the ark of God, they brought it into the house of Dagon. and set it by Dagon.

3. And when they of Ashdod arose early

on the morrow, behold,

Dagon was fallen upon

his face to the earth

before the ark of the LORD.

And they took Dagon, and set him in his place again.

4. **And** when they arose

early on the morrow morning, behold,

Dagon was fallen upon his face to the ground

before the ark of the LORD:

and the head of Dagon

and both the palms of

his hands were cut off upon the threshold, only the stump of Dagon was left to him.

5. Therefore neither the

priests of Dagon.

nor any that come into Dagon's house, tread

on the threshold

of Dagon in Ashdod unto this day.

6. But the hand of

the LORD was heavy upon them of Ashdod, and he

destroyed them, and smote them with emerods.

even Ashdod and the coasts thereof.

7. And when

the men of Ashdod saw that it was so, they

said. The ark of the God of Israel shall not abide

with us: for his hand is sore upon us, and upon Dagon our god.

8. They sent therefore and

aathered all the lords

of the Philistines unto them,

and said. What shall we do with the ark of the God

of Israel? And they answered,

Let the ark of the God of Israel

be carried about

unto Gath. And they carried

the ark of the God of Israel about

thither.

9. **And** it was so, that, after

they had carried it about,
the hand of the LORD was
against the city with a very
great destruction:
and he smote the men of the city, bo

and he smote the men of the city, both small and great, and they had emerods in their secret parts.

■ 10. Therefore they sent the ark of God

sent the ark of God to Ekron. And it came to pass, as the ark of God came to Ekron, that

the Ekronites cried out, saying.
They have brought about

the ark of the God of Israel to us, to slay us and our people.

11. So they sent and

gathered together all
the lords of the Philistines,
and said. Send away

the ark of the God of Israel, and let it go again

to his own place, that it
 slay us not, and our people: for there was a deadly destruction throughout all the city; the hand of God was very heavy there.

12. And the men that
 died not were smitten
 with the emerods: and the
 cry of the city went up to heaven.

CHAPTER 6

1. And the ark of the LORD was in the country of the Philistines

■ seven months.

2. And the Philistines called
for the priests and the diviners.
saying, What shall we

do to the ark of the LORD?
tell us wherewith we shall send it to his place.

3. And they said, If ye send away the ark of the God of Israel, send it

not empty; but in any wise

return him

a trespass offering: then ye shall be healed, and it shall be known to you why his hand is not removed from you.

4. Then said they, What shall be the trespass offering which we shall

return to him? They answered, Five golden emerods, and five golden mice, according to the number of the lords of the Philistines: for one plague was on you all, and on your lords.

5. Wherefore ye shall make images of your emerods, and images of your mice that mar the land; and ye shall give glory unto the God of

give glory unto the God of Israel: peradventure he will lighten his hand from off you, and from off

your gods, and from off your land.

6. Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed?

7. **Now** therefore

make a new cart, and take two milch kine, on which there hath come no yoke.

and tie the kine

to the cart, and bring their calves home from them:

8. And take the ark of the LORD,

and lay it upon the cart; and put the jewels of gold, which ye return him tor

a trespass offering, in
 a coffer by the side thereof;
 and send it away,

that it may go.

9. And see, if it goeth up by the way of his own coast to Beth-shemesh, then he hath done us this great evil: but if not, then we shall know that it is not his hand that smote us: it was a chance that happened to us.

10. And the men did so; and took two milch kine, and tied them to the cart, and shut up their calves at home:

11. And they laid the ark of the LORD upon the cart, and the coffer with the mice of gold and the images of their emerods.

12. And the kine took the straight way to the way of Beth-shemesh, and went

along the highway, lowing as they went, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left; and the lords of the Philistines went after them unto the border of Beth-shemesh.

13. And they of Beth-shemesh were reaping their

wheat harvest in the valley:

and they lifted up their eyes, and

saw the ark, and rejoiced to see it.

14. And the cart came into the field of Joshua.

a Beth-shemite, and stood there.

where there was a great stone: and

they clave the wood of the

cart, and offered the kine a burnt offering

unto the LORD.

15. And the Levites took down the ark of the LORD.

and the coffer that was with it. wherein the iewels of gold were.

and put them on the areat stone: and

the men of Beth-shemesh offered burnt

offerings and sacrificed

sacrifices the same day unto the LORD.

16 And when the five lords of the Philistines had seen it, they returned to

Ekron the same day.

17. And these are the golden emerods which the Philistines returned for a trespass offering unto the LORD: for Ashdod one, for Gaza one, for Askelon one, for Gath one. for Ekron one:

18. And the golden mice, according to the number of all the cities of the Philistines belonging to the five lords. both of fenced cities, and of country villages, even unto the great stone of Abel, whereon they set down the ark of the LORD: which stone remaineth unto this day in the field of Joshua, the Bethshemite.

19. And he smote the men of ■ Beth-shemesh, because

they had looked into the ark of the LORD, even he

smote of the people

fifty thousand and

threescore and ten men: and the people lamented, because

the LORD had smitten many of the people with a great slaughter.

20. And the men of Beth-shemesh said. Who is able to stand before this holy LORD God? and to whom shall he go up from us?

21. And they sent messengers to

the inhabitants of

Kiriath-jearim, saying,

The Philistines have m j

brought again

the ark of the LORD;

come ve down.

and fetch it up to you.

CHAPTER 7

1. And the men of Kirjath-jearim

came, and fetched up the ark of the LORD.

and brought it into the

house of Abinadab in the hill.

and sanctified Eleazar his son to keep the ark of the LORD.

2. And it came to pass, while

the ark abode in Kiriath-iearim.

that the time was long; for it was

twenty years: and all the house of

Israel lamented after the LORD.

And Samuel spake

unto all the house of

Israel, saying, If ye do return unto the LORD with all your hearts, then

put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you,

and prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and serve

him only: and he will

deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.

4. Then the children of Israel did put away Baalim and Ashtaroth, and

served the LORD only.

5 And Samuel said.

■ Gather all Israel to Mizpeh. and I will pray for you unto the LORD.

6. And they

gathered together to Mizpeh, and

drew water, and poured it out before the LORD.

and fasted on that day.

and said there

We have sinned against the LORD.

And Samuel judged

the children of

Israel in Mizpeh.

7. **And**

when the Philistines heard that the children of Israel were gathered together to Mizpeh, the lords of

the Philistines went up against Israel. And

when the children of Israel heard it.

they were afraid of the Philistines.

And the children of Israel.

said to Samuel. Cease not to cry unto the

LORD our God for us.

that he will save us

out of the hand of the Philistines.

9. And Samuel took

a suckina lamb. and offered it for

a burnt offering wholly

unto the LORD: and Samuel cried unto the LOBD for Israel:

and the LORD heard him. 10. And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering.

the Philistines drew

near to battle against Israel:

but the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day

upon the Philistines.

and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel

> 11. And the men of Israel went out of Mizpeh, and pursued the Philistines, and smote them. until they came under Bethcar

12. Then Samuel ■ took a stone.

and set it between Mizpeh and Shen.

and called the name of it Ebenezer, saying, Hitherto hath the LORD helped us.

13. So the Philistines were subdued, and they

came no more into the coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines

all the days of Samuel.

14. And the cities which the Philistines

had taken from Israel

were restored to Israel.

from Ekron even unto Gath: and the coasts thereof did Israel deliver out of the hands. of the Philistines. And there was peace between Israel and the Amorites.

15. And Samuel

iudged Israel all the days of his life.

16. And he went

from year to year

in circuit to Bethel.

and Gilgal, and Mizpeh. and judged Israel

in all those places. 17. And his return was

to Ramah: for there was his house: and there he judged Israel:

and there he built

an altar unto the LORD.

CHAPTER 8

And it came to pass.

when Samuel was old, that he made his sons

iudaes over Israel.

Now the name of his firstborn was Joel: and the name of his second. Abiah: they were judges in Beer-sheba.

3. And his sons walked not in his ways, but

turned aside after lucre, and took bribes, and

perverted judgment.

4 Then all

the elders

of Israel gathered themselves together, and

- came to Samuel unto Ramah.
 - 5 And said unto him Behold, thou art old, and thy sons walk not in thy ways: now
- make us a kina to judae us like all the nations.
- 6. But the thing displeased **Samuel**, when they said, Give

us a king to judge us. And Samuel prayed unto the LORD.

- 7. And the LORD
- said unto Samuel.
- Hearken unto the voice of the people
 - in all that they say unto thee:
 - for they have not rejected
- thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reian over them.
 - 8. According to all the works which they have done since the day that I brought them up out of Egypt even unto this day, wherewith they have forsaken me, and served other gods, so do they also unto thee.
- 9. Now therefore hearken unto their voice: howbeit yet protest solemnly unto them, and
- shew them the manner of the king that shall reian over them.
- 10. And Samuel told all the words of the LORD unto the people that asked
 - of him a king.
 - 11. And he said, This will be the manner of the king that shall reign over you:
- He will take your
- sons, and appoint them
- for himself, for his
- chariots, and to be his horsemen: and some
 - shall run before his chariots.
- 1 12. And he will
- appoint him

captains over thousands, and captains over fifties; and will set

- I them to ear his
- **■** ground, and to
- reap his harvest, and to
- make his
- instruments of war.

- and instruments of his chariots.
- 13 And he will take vour daughters to be confectionaries, and to be
 - COOKS, and to be bakers.
- 14. And he will take your fields, and your vineyards, and your oliveyards, even the best of them, and give them to his servants.
- 15. And he will take
- the tenth of your seed, and of
- your vineyards, and give to his officers, and to his
- servants.
 - 16. And he will take your menservants, and your maidservants, and your goodliest young men, and your asses, and put them to his work.
 - 17. He will take the tenth of your sheep:
- and ye shall be his servants. **.**
- 18. And ye shall

- Cry out in that day
- because of your king which ye shall have chosen you;
- and the LORD will not
- hear you in that day.
- 19. Nevertheless the people
- refused to obey the voice of
- Samuel: and they
- said, Nay; but
- we will have a king over us:
 - 20. That we also may be like all the nations; and that our king may judge us, and go out before us, and fight our battles.
 - And Samuel heard all the words of the people, and he rehearsed them in the ears of the LORD.
- 22. And the LORD
- said to Samuel.
- Hearken unto their voice, and make them a kina.

And Samuel said unto the men of Israel, Go ye every man unto his city.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. Now there was a
- man of Benjamin, whose
 - name was
 - Kish, the son of Abiel, the

son of Zeror, the son of Bechorath, the son of Aphiah.

■ a Benjamite, a mighty
■ man of power.

2. And he had a son, whose name was

Saul, a choice young man.

and a goodly: and there was not among the children of Israel a goodlier

person than he:

ifrom his shoulders and

■ upward he was

higher than any of the people.

3. And the asses

of Kish Saul's father

were lost. And Kish said
to Saul his son. Take now one of
the servants with thee, and arise.

go seek the asses.

4. And he passed through mount

■ Ephraim, and

passed through the land of

Shalisha, but they found them not: then they passed through the land of

Shalim, and there they were not: and he passed through

the land of the Benjamites, but they found *them* not.

5. And when they were come to the land of

Zuph, Saul said to his

servant that was with him, Come, and

let us return; lest my father leave caring for the asses, and

take thought for us.

6. And he said unto him, Behold now.

there is in this city a man

of God, and he is an honourable man: all that he saith cometh surely to pass: now let us go thither;

peradventure he can shew us our way that we should go.

us our way that we should go.7. Then said Saul

to his servant, But, behold, if we go,

What shall we

bring the man?

for the bread is spent in our vessels, and *there is* not a present to bring to the man of God: what have we?

8. And the servant

Saul again, and said, Behold, I have here

I have here

at hand the fourth part of a shekel of

silver: that will I give to the man of God, to tell us our way.

9. (Beforetime in Israel, when a man went to inquire of God, thus he spake, Come, and let us go to the seer: for he that is now called a

he that is now called
 Prophet was beforetime
 called a Seer.)

10. Then said Saul to his servant, Well said; come, let us go. So they went unto the city where the man of God was.

11. **And** as they went up the hill to the city,

they found young maidens going out to draw water, and said unto them.

■ Is the seer here?

12. **And they answered** them, and said, He is; behold, *he is* before you: make haste now, for

he came to-day
to the city: for there is a

to the city; for there is a
 sacrifice of the people to-day
 in the high place:

13. As soon as ye be come into the city, ye shall straightway find him, before he go up to the high place to eat: for the people will not eat until he come, because he doth bless the sacrifice; and afterwards they eat that be bidden. Now therefore get you up; for about this time ye shall find him.

14. And they went up
into the city: and when they were
come into the city, behold,
Samuel came out

against them, for

to go up to the high place.

■ 15. Now the LORD had

told Samuel in his ear a day before Saul car

a day before Saul came, saying, 16. To-morrow about this time

I will send thee a man out of the land of Benjamin.

and thou shalt

- I SAMUEL 10 anoint him in he captain over my people **Israel.** that he may save my people out of the hand of the Philistines: for I have looked upon my people. because their cry is come unto me. 17. And when Samuel saw Saul the LORD said unto him Behold the man whom I spake to thee of! this same shall reign over my people. 18. Then Saul drew near to Samuel in the gate, and said, **Tell me.** I pray thee. where the seer's house is. 19. And Samuel answered Saul, and said.
- I am the seer: go up before me unto the high place; for ye shall eat with me to-day.
- and to-morrow I Will let thee go, and will tell thee all that is in thine heart. 20. And as for thine
 - **QSSES** that were lost three days ago, set not thy mind on them; for they are found. And on whom is
- all the desire of

Israel? Is it not on thee.

and on all thy father's house? 21. And Saul answered

and said. Am not I a Benjamite, of the smallest of the tribes of Israel? and my family the least of all the families of the tribe of Benjamin?

wherefore then

speakest thou so to me?

22. And Samuel took

Saul and his

servant, and brought them into the parlour, and

made them sit in the

chiefest place among them that were bidden, which were

■ about thirty persons.

■ 23. And Samuel said unto the cook, Bring the

portion which I gave thee. of which I said unto thee,

Set it by thee.

24. And the cook took up the shoulder, and that which was upon it, and

set it before Saul. And Samuel said. Behold that which is left! set it. before thee, and eat: for unto this time hath it been kept for thee since I said.

> I have invited the people. So Saul did eat with

Samuel that day.

25. And when they were

come down from the high place into the city. Samuel

communed with Saul upon

the top of the house. 26. And they arose early:

and it came to pass about

the spring of the day, that Samuel called Saul

to the top of the house. saying, Up, that I may send thee away. And Saul arose, and they went out both of

them, he and Samuel, abroad. 27. And as they were going

down to the end of the city, Samuel said to Saul,

Bid the servant pass on

before us, (and he passed on.) but stand thou still a while.

that I may shew thee

■ I the word of God.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Then Samuel took a vial of oil, and poured it upon
- his head, and kissed him, and said, Is it not because

the LORD hath anointed

thee to be captain

over his inheritance?

2. When thou art

departed from me to day, then

thou shalt find two men by Rachel's sepulchre in the

border of Benjamin at Zelzah;

and they will say unto thee,

The asses

which thou wentest to seek

are found: and, lo.

thy father hath left the care of

the asses, and

sorroweth for you, saying,

What shall I do for my son? 3 Then shalt thou ao on forward from thence. and thou shalt come to the plain of ■ Tabor, and there shall meet thee three men going up to God to Beth-el. one carrying three kids, and another carrying three loaves of bread, and another carrying a bottle of wine: 4. And they will salute thee, and give thee two loaves of bread; which thou shall receive of their hands. 5. After that thou shalt come to the hill of God, where is the garrison of the Philistines: and it shall come to pass, when thou art come thither to the city, that thou shalt meet a company of prophets coming down from the high place with a psallery. and a tabret, and a pipe. and a harp, before them: and they shall prophesy: 6. And the Spirit of the LORD will come upon thee, and thou shalt prophesy with them. and shalt be turned into another man. 7. And let it be, when these signs are come unto thee, that thou do as occasion serve thee: for God is with thee. And thou shalt. go down before me to Gilgal; and, behold. I will come down unto thee, to offer burnt offerings. and to sacrifice sacrifices of peace offerings:

seven days shalt thou tarry.

to go from Samuel, God

gave him another heart:

and shew thee what

till I come to thee.

thou shalt do.

when he had

turned his back

9. And it was so, that

came to pass that day. 10. And when they came thither to the hill, behold, a company of prophets met him; and the Spirit of God came upon him, and he prophesied among them. 11. And it came to pass, when all that knew him beforetime saw that, behold, he prophesied among the prophets. then the people said one to another. What is this that is come unto the son of Kish? is Saul also amona the prophets? 12. And one of the same place answered and said. But who is their father? Therefore it became a proverb. Is Saul also among the prophets? 13 And when he had made an end of prophesying, he came to the high place. 14. And Saul's uncle said unto him and to his servant. Whither went ve? And he said. To seek the asses: and when we saw that they were no where. we came to Samuel. 15. And Saul's uncle said. Tell me, I pray thee. what Samuel said unto you. 16. And Saul said unto his uncle. He told us plainly that the asses were found. But of the matter of the kingdom, whereof Samuel spake, he fold him not. 17. And Samuel called the people together unto the LORD to Mizpeh: 18. And said unto the children of Israel. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. I brought up Israel out of Egypt, and delivered you out of the

and all those sians

hand of the Egyptians, and out of the hand of all kingdoms, and

of them that

■ oppressed you:

19. And ye have this day rejected your God, who himself saved you out of all your adversities and your tribulations;

■ and ye have

■ said unto him, Nay, but

set a king over us. Now therefore

present yourselves

before the LORD

by your tribes, and by your thousands.

20. And when

Samuel had

caused all

■ the tribes of Israel

to come near, the tribe of Benjamin was taken.

21. When he had caused the tribe of Benjamin to come near by their families,

■ the family of Matri was ■ taken, and Saul the son

of Kish was taken:

and when they sought him, he could not be found.

22. Therefore they inquired of the LORD further, if the man should yet come thither. And the LORD answered, Behold,

■ he hath

■ hid himself among the stuff.

23. And they ran and

■ fetched him thence:

■ and when

he stood among the people, he was

higher than any of

the people from hisshoulders and upward.

■ 24. And Samuel

said to all the people,

■ See ye him

■ whom the LORD hath

■ **chosen,** that *there is* none like him among all the people?

And all the people shouted, and said.

■ God save the king.

25. Then Samuel told the people the manner of the kingdom, and wrote it in a book, and laid it up before the LORD.

And Samuel sent all the people away.

every man to his house.

■ 26. And Saul also

■ went home to Gibeah;

and there went

with him a band of men, whose hearts

God had touched.

27. But the children of

Belial said, How shall this

man save us? And they
despised him, and

brought him

no presents. But he held his peace.

CHAPTER 11

1. Then Nahash the Ammonite came

up, and encamped

■ against Jabesh-gilead:

■ and all

■ the men of Jabesh

said unto Nahash,

Make a covenant with us,

and we will serve thee.

2. And Nahash the Ammonite answered them.

On this condition

will I make a covenant with you,

that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it

for a reproach upon all

■ Israel.

■ 3. And the elders of

■ Jabesh said unto him,

■ Give us seven days' respite,

that we may sendmessengers unto

all the coasts of

■ Israel: and then,

if there be no man to save us, we will come out

■ to thee.

4. Then came the

■ messengers

to Gibeah of Saul,
and told the tidings

in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voices, and wept.

5. And, behold.

Saul came after the herd

out of the field: and Saul

said. What aileth the people that they weep? And they told him

the tidings of the men of Jabesh.

6. And the Spirit of God came upon Saul

when he heard those tidings. and his anger was

kindled greatly.

7. And he took a voke of oxen, and hewed them in pieces, and sent them

throughout all the coasts of

Israel by the hands of messengers,

saying, Whosoever cometh not forth

after Saul and after Samuel.

so shall it be done unto his oxen. And the fear of the LORD fell on the

people, and they came out with one consent.

8. And when

he numbered

them in Bezek, the children of

Israel were

three hundred

■ | thousand, and the men of

Judah thirty thousand.

■ 9. And they said unto ■ the messengers that

came, Thus shall ye say

unto the men of

Jabesh-ailead.

To-morrow,

by that time the sun be hot.

ye shall have help.

And the messengers came and shewed it to

the men of Jabesh; and they ■ were glad.

■ 10. Therefore the

men of Jabesh

said, To-morrow we

■ | will come out unto you.

and ve shall do with us all that seemeth good unto you.

11. And it was so on the morrow, that

Saul put the people in three companies; and they came into the midst of the host

in the morning watch, and slew the Ammonites

until the heat of the day; and it came to pass, that they which remained were scattered, so that two of them were not left together.

12. And the people said unto Samuel. Who is he that said. Shall Saul reign over us? bring the men, that we may put them to death.

13. And Saul said.

There shall not a man

be put to death this day: for to-day

the LORD hath wrought salvation in Israel.

14. Then said Samuel to the people, Come.

and let us go to Gilgal, and renew the kingdom there.

And all the

people went to Gilgal;

and there

they made Saul king before the LORD in Gilgal; and

there they sacrificed sacrifices of peace offerings

before the LORD; and there Saul

and all the men of

Israel rejoiced greatly.

CHAPTER 12

And Samuel said

unto all Israel, Behold,

I have hearkened unto your Voice in all that ve said unto me.

and have made a king over you.

And now, behold,

the king walketh before

you: and I am old

and grayheaded; and, behold, my sons are with you:

and I have walked

before you from my

I SAMUEL 12 childhood unto this day. Behold, here I am: witness against me before the LORD, and before his anointed: whose ox have I taken? or whose ass have I taken? or whom have I defrauded? whom have I oppressed? or of whose hand have I received any bribe to blind mine eyes therewith? and I will restore it you. 4. And they said, Thou hast not defrauded us, nor oppressed us, neither hast thou taken ought of any man's hand. 5. And he said unto them, The LORD is witness against you, and his anointed is witness this day, that ye have not found aught in my hand. And they answered. He is witness. 6. And Samuel said unto the people, It is the LORD that advanced Moses and Aaron, and that brought your fathers up ■ | out of the land of Egypt. 7. Now therefore stand still, that I may reason with you before the LORD of all the righteous acts of the LORD, which he did to you and to your fathers. 8. When Jacob was come into Egypt, and your fathers cried unto the LORD, then the LORD sent Moses and Aaron, which ■ | brought forth ■ vour fathers out of Egypt, and made them dwell in this place. 9. **And** when they forgat the ■ LORD their God. ■ he sold them into

■ the hand of Sisera.

captain of the host of Hazor. and into the hand of

the Philistines, and

into the hand of the king of

10. And they cried unto the LORD, and said. We have sinned. because we have forsaken the LORD. and have served Baalim and Ashtaroth: but now deliver us out of the hand of our enemies. and we will serve thee. 11 And the LORD sent Jerubbaal, and Bedan, and Jephthah, and Samuel, and delivered you out of the hand of your enemies on every side, and ye dwelled safe. And when ye saw that Nahash the king of the children of Ammon came against you, ve said unto me. Nav: but a king shall reign over us: when the LORD your God was your king. 13. Now therefore behold the kina whom ve have chosen, and whom ye have desired! and, behold, the LORD hath. set a king over you. 14. If ye will fear the LORD, and serve him, and obey his voice, and not rebel against the commandment of the LORD. then shall both ye and also the king that reigneth over you continue following the LORD your God: 15. But if ye will not obey the voice of the LORD, but rebel against the commandment of the LORD. then shall the hand of the LORD be against you, as it was against your fathers. 16. Now therefore stand and see this great thing, which the LORD will do before your eyes. 17. Is it not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the LORD. and he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may

Moab, and they fought

against them.

8

perceive and see
 that your wickedness is
 great, which ye have done in the sight of the LORD,

in asking you a king.

18. So Samuel called unto the LORD; and the LORD sent thunder and rain that day:

and all the people greatly feared the LORD and Samuel.

■ 19. **And** all

■ I the people said unto Samuel.

Pray for thy servants
unto the LORD thy God,

that we die not: for we have added unto all our sins this
evil, to ask us a king.

20. And Samuel

said unto the people,

■ Fear not:

ye have done all this wickedness: yet **turn not** aside

from following the LORD, but serve the LORD with all your heart; 21. And turn ye not aside: for then should ye go after vain things, which cannot profit nor deliver;

for they are vain.
22. For the LORD

will not forsake his people for his great

name's sake:

because it hath pleased the LORD to make you his people.

23. **Moreover** as for me,

■ God forbid that I should

■ **Sin** against the LORD

■ in ceasing to pray for

you: but I will teach you the good and the right way:

24. Only fear the LORD,

and serve him in truth with all your heart: for consider how great things he hath done for you.

■ 25. **But if ye** shall still

do wickedly, ye shall be consumed, both

■ | ye and your king.

CHAPTER 13

■ 1. **Saul** reigned one year; and when he had

reigned two years over Israel.

2. Saul chose him

three thousand men of Israel;
whereof two thousand

were with Saul

in Michmash and in mount Beth-el,

and a thousand were
 with Jonathan in Gibeah
 of Benjamin:

and the rest of the people he sent every man to his tent.

3. And Jonathansmote the garrison of

smote the garrison of the Philistines that was

Philistines that was in Geba, and the

■ Philistines heard of it.

And Saul blew the

trumpet throughout all the land, saving. Let the

saying, Let the Hebrews hear.

■ 4. **And** all

Israel heard say that Saul had

smitten a garrison of the Philistines, and that

Israel also was had in abomination with the Philistines. And the people

were called together after Saul to Gilgal.

5. And the Philistines
 gathered themselves
 together to fight with

Israel, thirty thousand chariots, and six thousand horsemen, and people as the sand which is on the sea shore in multitude: and they came up, and pitched

in Michmash,

eastward from Beth-aven.

6. When the men of Israel saw that

■ they were in a strait,

(for the people were distressed,) then

the people did hide themselves in caves, a

themselves in caves, and in thickets, and in rocks, and in high places, and in pits.

7. And some of the Hebrews went over Jordan to the land of Gad and Gilead. As for

Saul, he

l **was** yet

- in Gilgal, and all ■ the people followed
- him trembling.
- 8. And he tarried seven
- days, according to the set
- time that
- Samuel had appointed: but
 Samuel came not to Gilgal; and the people were scattered from him.
- 9. And Saul said, Bring hither
 a burnt offering to me,
 and peace offerings. And he
- offered the burnt offering.

 10. **And** it came to pass, that
- s soon as he had
- made an end of
- offering the burnt offering, behold,
 - Samuel came; and Saul went out to meet him, that he might salute him.
- 11. And Samuel
- said, What hast thou
- done? And Saul said,
 - Because I saw that
- the people were
- **scattered** from me.
- | and that
- thou camest not
- within the days appointed,
- and that
- the Philistines
- gathered themselves
- together at Michmash;
- 12. Therefore said I, The Philistines will come down now upon me to Gilgal, and I have not made supplication unto the LORD: I
- forced myself therefore, and offered a
- burnt offering.
- 13. And Samuel said to
- **Saul**, Thou hast done foolishly:
- thou hast not kept the commandment of the LORD
- thy God, which he commanded thee:
- for now would
- the LORD have
- established thy
- kingdom upon Israel
- for ever.
- 14 But now thy kingdom
- shall not continue:
- the LORD hath
- sought him

- a man after his own heart,
- and the LORD hath commanded him to be captain over his people, because thou hast not kept that which the LORD commanded thee.
- 15. And Samuel arose, and gat him up from Gilgal unto Gibeah of Benjamin.
- And Saul numbered the
- **people** that were present
- with him, about six
 - 16. And Saul, and Jonathan his son, and the people that were present with them, abode in Gibeah of Benjamin: but the Philistines encamped in Michmash.
 - 17. And the spoilers came out of the camp of the Philistines in three companies: one company turned unto the way that leadeth to Ophrah, unto the land of Shual:
 - 18. And another company turned the way to Beth-horon: and another company turned to the way of the border that looketh to the valley of Zeboim toward the wilderness.
- 19. Now there was no smith found throughout all the land of
- Israel: for the Philistines said, Lest the Hebrews make them swords or spears:
 - 20. **But** all

- the Israelites went down to the Philistines, to
- sharpen every man
- his share, and his
- coulter, and his **QXE**, and his mattock.
 - 21. Yet they had a file for the mattocks, and for the coulters, and for the forks, and for the axes, and to sharpen the goads.
- 22. **So** it came to pass
- in the day of battle, that
- there was neither sword ■ nor spear found
- in the hand of any of the people that were with Saul and Jonathan: but with Saul and with Jonathan
 - his son was there found.

 23. And the garrison of the Philistines went out to the passage of Michmash.

CHAPTER 14

- I 1 Now it came to pass upon a day, that
- Jonathan the son of
- Saul said unto the
- vouna man that bare
- his armour, Come, and
- let us go over to
- the Philistines'

garrison, that is on the other side.

But he told not his father.

- 2 And Saul tarried in the uttermost part of Gibeah under a pomegranate tree which is in Migron; and the people that were with him were about six hundred men:
- 3 And Ahiah, the son of Ahituh I-chabod's brother, the son of Phinehas, the son of Eli, the LORD'S priest in Shiloh, wearing an ephod.

And the people knew not that Jonathan was aone.

- 4. And between the passages, by which Jonathan sought to go over unto the Philistines' garrison, there was a sharp rock on the one side, and a sharp rock on the other side; and the name of the one was Bozez, and the name of the other Seneh.
- 5. The forefront of the one was situate northward over against Michmash, and the other southward over against Gibeah.
- 6. And Jonathan said to the young man that

bare his armour. Come, and

let us ao over unto the agrrison

of these uncircumcised; it may be that the LORD will work for us:

for there is no restraint to the LORD to save by many or by few.

- 7. And his armour-bearer said unto him. Do all that is in thine heart: turn thee; behold, I am with thee according to thy heart.
- 8. Then said Jonathan, Behold.
- we will pass over unto
- I these men, and we will
- discover ourselves
- unto them.
 - 9. If they say thus unto us,

Tarry until we come to you: then we will stand still

in our place.

and will not go up unto them.

10. But if they say thus,

Come up unto us:

then we will go up: for

the LORD hath delivered them into our hand: and

this shall be a sign unto us.

11. And both of them discovered themselves

unto the garrison of

the Philistines:

and the Philistines said. Behold, the Hebrews come forth out of the holes. where they had hid themselves

12. And the men of the garrison answered Jonathan and his armour-bearer, and

said. Come up to us. and we will shew you a thing.

And Jonathan said unto his armour-bearer. Come up after me: for

the LORD hath delivered

them into the hand of Israel. 13. And Jonathan climbed up upon his hands and upon his feet. and his armour-bearer after him:

and they fell

before Jonathan:

and his armour-bearer slew after him. 14. And that first slaughter, which Jonathan and his

armour-bearer made.

was about twenty men, within as it were an half acre of land, which a voke of oxen might plow.

15. And there was trembling in the host, in the field, and among all the people:

the garrison, and the spoilers, they also trembled, and the earth quaked:

so it was a very great trembling. 16. And the watchmen of Saul in Gibeah of Benjamin

looked: and, behold.

the multitude melted away, and they went

on beating down one another.

17 Then said Saul

unto the people that were with

I SAMUEL 14 him. Number now, and see who is gone from us. And when they had numbered, behold. Jonathan and his armour-begrer were not there. 18. And Saul said unto Ahiah. 8 Bring hither the ark of God. For the ark of God was at that time with the children of Israel. 19 And it came to pass. while Saul talked unto the priest, that the noise that was in the host of the Philistines went on and increased: and Saul said unto the priest. Withdraw thine hand. 20. And Saul and all the people that were with him assembled themselves. and they came to the battle: and, behold,

every man's sword was

with the Philistines before that time, which went up with them into the camp from the country round about, even they also

turned to be with the Israelites that were with Saul and Jonathan

against his fellow.

and there was a very

21. Moreover the

Hebrews that were

areat discomfiture.

22. Likewise all the men of Israel

which had

hid themselves

in mount Ephraim, when they heard that the Philistines fled, even they also

followed hard after them in the battle.

■ 23. So the LORD saved

■ Israel that day: and the battle passed over unto Beth-aven.

■ 24. And the men of Israel ■ were distressed that day:

for Saul had adjured the people,

saying, Cursed be

the man that eateth any

food until evening.

that I may be avenged on mine enemies.

So none of the people

tasted anv food.

• 25. And all

they of the land

came to a wood: and there was honey upon the ground.

26. And when the people were come into the wood, behold, the honey dropped:

but no man put his hand to his mouth:

for the people feared the oath.

27. But Jonathan heard not when his

father charged the people with

the oath: wherefore

he put forth the end of the rod that was in

his hand, and dipped it in an honeycomb,

and out his hand

to his mouth:

and his eyes were enlightened.

28. Then answered

one of the people, and

said. Thy father straitly charged the people

with an oath, saving.

Cursed be the man that

eateth any food

this day. And the people were faint.

29. Then said Jonathan. My father hath troubled the land:

see, I pray you,

how mine eyes have been

enlightened, because

I tasted a little of this honey.

30. How much more,

if haply

the people had eaten

freely to day of the spoil of their enemies which they found? for

had there not been now a much greater slaughter among the Philistines?

31. And they smote the Philistines

38. And Saul said, Draw

that day from Michmash to Aijalon: and the people were very faint. 32. And the people flew upon the spoil, and took sheep, and oxen, and calves, and slew them on the ground: and the people did eat them with the blood. 33. Then they told **Saul**, saying, Behold, the people sin against the LORD, in that they eat with the blood. And he said. Ye have transaressed: roll a great stone unto me this day. 34. And Saul said. **Disperse** yourselves among the people, and say unto them. Bring me hither every man his ox, and every man his sheep, and slav them here, and eat; and sin not against the LORD in eating with the **blood.** And all the people brought every man his ox with him that night, and slew them there. 35. And Saul built an altar unto the LORD: the same was the first altar that he built unto the I ORD 36. And Saul said, Let us go down after the Philistines by night, and spoil them until the morning light, and let us not leave a man of them. And they said, Do whatsoever seemeth good unto thee. Then said the priest, Let us draw near hither unto God.

37. And Saul asked counsel of

God, Shall I go

down after the Philistines?

into the hand of Israel?

But he answered

him not

that day.

wilt thou deliver them

ve near hither, all the chief of the people; and know and see wherein this sin hath been this day. 39. For, as the LORD liveth, which saveth Israel, though it be in Jonathan my son, he shall surely die. But there was not a man among all the people that answered him. 40 Then said he unto all Israel. Be ve on one side, and I and Jonathan my son will be on the other side. And the people said unto Saul, Do what seemeth good unto thee. 41. Therefore Saul said unto the LORD God of Israel. Give a perfect lot. And Saul and Jonathan were taken: but the people escaped. 42. And Saul said. Cast lots between me and Jonathan my son. And Jonathan was taken. 43. Then Saul said to Jonathan Tell me what thou hast done. And Jonathan told him, and said, I did but taste a little **honey** with the end of the rod that was in mine hand, and. lo. I must die. 44. And Saul answered, God do so and more also: for thou shalt surely die, Jonathan. 45. And the people **said** unto Saul, Shall Jonathan die. who hath wrought this great salvation in Israel? God forbid: as the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of his head fall to the ground; for he hath wrought with God this day. So the people rescued

Jonathan, that he died not.

46. Then Saul went up from following the Philistines: and the Philistines went to their own place.

47 So Saul took the kinadom over

Israel, and

fought against all

his enemies on every side. against Moab, and against the children of Ammon, and against Edom, and against the kings of Zobah, and against the Philistines:

and whithersoever he turned himself, he

vexed them.

48. And he gathered an host. and smote the Amalekites, and delivered Israel out of the hands of them that spoiled them.

49. Now the sons of Saul were Jonathan, and Ishui, and Melchi-shua: and the names of his two daughters were these; the name of the firstborn Merab, and the name of the younger Michal: 50. And the name of Saul's wife was Ahinoam, the daughter of Ahimaaz: and the name of the captain of his host was Abner. the son of Ner, Saul's uncle. 51. And Kish was the father of Saul: and Ner the father

of Abner was the son of Abiel.

52. And there was sore ■ war against the

■ Philistines all the days

■ I of Saul: and when Saul saw ■ any strong man, or any

valiant man, he took him

■ unto him.

CHAPTER 15

■ 1 1. Samuel also said unto Saul. The LORD sent me to ■ anoint thee to be

king over his people, over Israel:

now therefore hearken thou

unto the voice of the words of

the LORD.

2. Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

I remember that which Amalek did to Israel.

how he laid wait for him in the way.

when he came up from Eavpt.

3. Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly

destroy all that they have, and spare them

not: but slav both man and woman, infant and suckling. ox and sheep, camel and ass.

4. And Saul aathered the people together, and numbered them in Telaim, two hundred thousand footmen. and ten thousand men of Judah.

5. And Saul

came to a city of Amalek. and laid wait in the valley.

And Saul.

said unto the Kenites.

Go, depart, get you down

from amona the Amalekites.

lest I destroy you with them:

for ve shewed kindness

to all the children of

Israel, when they came up out of Egypt. So the Kenites departed from among the Amalekites.

7. And Saul smote the Amalekites

> from Havilah until thou comest to Shur, that is over against Egypt.

8. And he took Agag the

king of the Amalekites alive, and utterly

destroyed all the people

with the edge of the sword. 9. But Saul and the people

spared Agag, and

the best of the

sheep, and of the oxen, and of the fatlings, and the lambs.

and all that was good, and would not utterly destroy them:

but every thing that was vile and refuse, that they destroyed utterly.

10. Then came the word of the LORD

unto Samuel, saying,

11. It repenteth me that I have set up

Saul to be king: for he is

turned back from

following me, andhath not performedmy commandments.

■ And it grieved

■ Samuel; and he

cried unto the LORD all night.

12. And when Samuel rose early to meet Saul in the morning, it was told Samuel, saying, Saul came to Carmel, and, behold, he set him up a place, and is gone about, and passed on, and gone down to Gilgal.

13. And Samuel came to

Saul: and Saul said unto him,
Blessed be thou of the LORD:
I have performed the
commandment of the LORD.

■ 14. And Samuel

said, What meaneth then

this bleating of the sheep in mine ears, and the lowing

of the oxen which I hear?

15. And Saul said, They
 have brought them from
 the Amalekites:

for the people spared the best of the sheep and of the oxen,

■ to sacrifice unto the

LORD thy God; and the rest we have utterly destroyed.

■ 16. Then Samuel said unto Saul, Stay, and

I will tell thee what the LORD hath said to me this

night. And he said unto him, Say on. 17. And Samuel said.

■ When thou wast

■ little in thine own sight,

wast thou not made the head of the tribes of Israel, and the LORD anointed

■ thee king over Israel?

■ 18. And the LORD sent

thee on a journey, and said, Go and utterly

destroy the sinners

the Amalekites, and fight against them until they be consumed.

■ 19. Wherefore then

■ didst thou not obey

the voice of the LORD,

but didst fly upon the

spoil, and didst evil in the sight of the LORD?

unto Samuel, Yea.

I have obeyed the voice of the LORD, and have gone the way which the LORD sent me, and have brought Agag the king of Amalek, and have utterly destroyed the Amalekites.

 21. But the people took of the spoil, sheep and oxen, the chief of the things which should have been utterly destroyed.

to sacrifice unto the LORD thy God in Gilgal.

22. And Samuel said,Hath the LORD as

great delight in burntofferings and sacrifices.

as in obeying the voice of

the LORD? Behold, to obey is better

than sacrifice,

and to hearken than the fat of rams. 23. For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry.

is as iniquity and idolatry.

Because thou hast
rejected the word of
the LORD, he hath also

rejected thee from being king.

24. And Saul said unto Samuel.

I have sinned:
for I have transgressed the
commandment of the LORD, and thy
words: because I feared the people,

and obeyed their voice.

25. Now therefore, I pray thee.

pardon my sin,and turn again

with me, that I may worship the LORD.

■ 26. And Samuel

said unto Saul.

I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.

■ 27. And as Samuel

turned about

■ to go away.

he laid hold upon the skirt

of his mantle,

28. And Samuel said unto him. The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day. and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, that is better than thou. 29. And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent; for he is not a man. that he should repent. 30. Then he said, I have sinned: vet honour me now. I pray thee. before the elders of my people. and before Israel, and turn again with me, that I may worship the LORD thy God. 31. So Samuel turned again after Saul: and Saul worshipped the LORD. 32. Then said Samuel. Bring ye hither to me Agga the king of the Amalekites, And Agag came unto him delicately. And Agag said, Surely the bitterness of death is past.

33. And Samuel said. As the sword hath made women childless, so shall thy mother be childless among women.

And Samuel hewed Agag in **pieces** before the LORD in Gilgal. ■ 34. Then Samuel went to

Ramah: and Saul went up to his house to Gibeah of Saul.

35 And Samuel

came no more to see Saul until the day of

■ his death: nevertheless Samuel mourned for Saul:

and the LORD repented ■ I that he had made

■ Saul king over Israel.

CHAPTER 16

■ I 1. And the LORD said unto Samuel. How long will thou mourn for Saul, seeing I have rejected him from reigning over Israel? ■ I fill thine horn with oil, and go.

I will send thee to Jesse the Beth-lehemite: for I have provided me a king among his sons. And Samuel said. How can I go? if Saul hear it. he will kill me. And the LORD said. Take an heifer with thee. and say, I am come to sacrifice to the LORD. 3. And call **Jesse** to the sacrifice. and I will shew thee what thou shalt do:

whom I name unto thee. 4. And Samuel did that which the LORD spake, and came to Beth-lehem. And the elders of the town trembled at his coming, and said, Comest thou peaceably? 5. And he said. Peaceably: I am come to

and thou shalt anoint unto me him

sacrifice unto the LORD: sanctify yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice.

And he sanctified Jesse and his sons.

and called them to the sacrifice. 6. And it came to pass,

when they were come, that he looked on Eliab, and said. Surely the LORD's anointed is before him

7. But the LORD said unto Samuel, Look not on his countenance, or on the

height of his stature; because I have refused him:

for the LORD seeth not

for man looketh on

the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh

on the heart.

as man seeth:

8. Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel, And he said, Neither hath the LORD chosen this.

9. Then Jesse made Shammah to pass by. And he said, Neither 439 hath the LORD chosen this. 10. Again, Jesse made seven of his sons to pass before Samuel, And Samuel said unto Jesse. The LORD hath not chosen these. 11. And Samuel said unto Jesse. Are here all thy children? And he said. There remaineth vet the youngest, and, behold, he keepeth the sheep. And Samuel said unto Jesse, Send and fetch him: for we will not sit down till be come hither. 12. And he sent, and ■ brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and withal of a П beautiful countenance, and goodly to look to And the LORD said, Arise, anoint him: for this is he. 13. Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the midst of his brethren: and the Spirit of the LORD came upon David from that day forward. So Samuel rose up, and went to Ramah. an evil spirit from the LORD troubled him. 15. And Saul's servants

14. But the Spirit of the LORD departed from Saul, and said unto him. Behold now, an evil spirit from God troubleth thee. 16. Let our lord now command thy servants. which are before thee, to seek out a man, who is a cunning player on an harp: and it shall come to pass, when the evil spirit from God is upon thee, that he shall play with his hand. and thou shalt be well 17. And Saul said unto his servants,

Provide me now a man that can play

well, and bring him to me.

18. Then answered one of the servants. and said. Behold, I have seen a son of Jesse the Beth-lehemile that is cunning in playing, and a mighty valiant man, and a man of war, and prudent in matters. and a comely person. and the LORD is with him. 19. Wherefore Saul sent messengers unto Jesse, and said, Send me David thy son, which is with the sheep. 20 And Jesse took an ass laden with bread, and a bottle of wine, and a kid, and sent them by David his son unto Saul. 21. And David came to Saul, and stood before him: and he loved him greatly: and he became his armour-bearer. And Saul sent to Jesse. saving, Let David, I pray thee. stand before me; for he hath found favour in my sight. 23. And it came to pass. when the evil spirit from God was upon Saul, that David took an harp. and played with his hand: so Saul was refreshed, and was well, and the evil spirit departed from him.

CHAPTER 17

1. Now the Philistines gathered together their armies to battle,

and were gathered logether at Shochoh, which belongeth to

Judah, and pitched between Shochoh and Azekah, in Ephes-dammim,

2. And Saul and the men of

Israel were

gathered together, and pitched

by the valley of Elah.

and set the battle in array against the Philistines.

3. And the Philistines stood on a mountain on the one side, and Israel stood on a mountain on the other side:

and there was a valley between them.

- 4 And there went out
- a champion out of the camp of the
- Philistines, named Goliath, of Gath.

whose height was six cubits and a span.

- 5. And he had an helmet of brass upon his head, and he was armed with a coat of mail; and the weight of the coat was five thousand shekels of brass.
- 6. And he had greaves of brass upon his legs, and a target of brass between his shoulders.
- 7. And the staff of his spear was like a weaver's beam; and his spear's head weighed six hundred shekels of iron; and one bearing a shield went before him.
- 8 And he stood and cried unto the armies of Israel, and said unto them. Why are ye come out to set your battle in array? am not I a Philistine, and ye servants to Saul?

■ i choose you

a man for you.

and let him come down to me.

9. If he be able to fight with me,

kill me, then will we be your servants: but if I prevail against him, and

kill him, then shall

■ **Ye** be our servants, and

serve us.

■ 10. And the Philistine said. I defy the armies of

■ Israel this day:

give me a man, that we may fight together.

11. When Saul and all

Israel heard those

words of the Philistine.

they were dismayed, and greatly afraid.

12. Now David was the son of that Ephrathite of Bethlehem-judah, whose name was

Jesse; and he

had eight sons:

and the man went among men for an old man in the days of Saul.

13. And the three eldest sons of Jesse went and

followed Saul to the battle: and the names of his three sons that went to the battle were Fliab the firstborn, and next unto him Abinadab. and the third Shammah.

14. And David was

the voungest: and the three eldest followed Saul.

But David went and

returned from Saul to feed his father's sheep

at Beth-lehem.

16. And the Philistine drew near morning and evening, and presented himself forty days.

17. And Jesse said unto David his son.

Take now for thy brethren an ephah of

this parched corn. and these ten

loaves, and run

to the camp of thy brethren; 18. And carry these ten cheeses unto the captain of their thousand.

and look how thy brethren fare, and take their pledge.

19. Now Saul, and they, and all the men of Israel, were in the valley of Elah, fighting with the Philistines.

20. And David rose up early in the morning. and left the sheep with a keeper,

and took, and went, as Jesse had commanded him:

and he

came to the trench, as the host was going forth to the

fight, and shouted for the battle.

21. For Israel and the Philistines had put the battle in array,

•

army against army. 22 And David

left his carriage in the hand of the keeper of the carriage, and

ran into the army, and came and saluted his brethren.

23. And as he talked

with them, behold, there came up the champion. the Philistine of Gath,

Goliath by name, out of the armies of the Philistines, and

spake according to

the same words: and David heard them.

24 And all the men of

Israel, when they saw the man,

fled from him. and were sore afraid.

25 And the men of Israel

said. Have ve seen this man that is come up? surely to defy Israel is he come up; and it shall be, that

the man who killeth him. the king will enrich

him with great riches.

and will give him his daughter, and make his father's house

free in Israel.

> 26. And David spake to the men that stood by him, saving. What shall be done to the man that killeth this Philistine, and taketh away the reproach from Israel? for

who is this uncircumcised

Philistine, that he should defy the armies of the living God?

27. And the people answered him after this manner, saying, So shall it be done to the man that killeth him

28 And Fliab his eldest brother heard

when he spake unto the men; and Eliab's anger was kindled against

David, and he

said, Why camest thou

down hither? and with whom hast thou left those few sheep in the wilderness?

I know thy pride, and the naughtiness of thine heart:

for thou art come down that thou miahtest see the battle.

29. And David said.

What have I now done? Is there not

a cause?

> 30. And he turned from him toward. another, and spake after the same manner: and the people answered him again after the former manner.

31. And when the words were heard. which David spake, they rehearsed them before Saul; and he sent for him. 32. And David said to Saul.

Let no man's heart fail because of him:

thy servant will go and

fight with

this Philistine.

33 And Saul said to David Thou art not able to go against this Philistine to fight with him: for

thou art but a youth, and he a man of war from his youth. 6

34. And David said unto Saul. Thy servant kept his father's

sheep, and there came a lion, and a bear, and took a lamb out of the flock:

35 And I went out after him and smote him, and delivered it out of his mouth: and when he arose against me. I caught him by his beard. and smote him, and slew him.

36. Thy servant

slew both the lion and the bear: and this

uncircumcised Philistine shall be as one of them.

seeing he hath defied the armies of the living

God.

37. David said moreover. The LORD that delivered me out

of the paw of the lion, and out of the paw of the bear, he

will deliver me

out of the hand of this Philistine

And Saul said unto David. Go. and the LORD

be with thee.

38. And Saul armed David

- with his armour, and he put an helmet of brass upon his head; also he armed him with a coat of mail. 39. And David girded his sword upon his armour, and he assayed to go: for he had not proved it.
- And David said unto Saul. I cannot go with these; for I have not proved them. And David put them off him.
- 40. And he took
- his staff in his hand
- and chose him
 - five smooth stones out of
- the brook, and put them in a shepherd's bag which he had, even in a scrip:
- and his slina was in his hand:

and he drew near to the Philistine. 41. And the Philistine came on and drew near unto David; and the man that bare the shield went before him.

42. And when the Philistine looked about, and

saw David, he disdained him: for he was but a youth, and ruddy, and of a fair countenance.

43 And the Philistine

said unto David.

Am I a dog, that thou

comest to me

with staves? And the Philistine cursed David by his gods.

44. And the Philistine said to David,

Come to me, and I will give thy flesh unto the

fowls of the air.

and to the beasts of the field. 45. Then said David

to the Philistine.

Thou comest to me

with a sword, and with a

spear, and with a

shield: but I come to thee in the name of the

LORD of hosts.

the God of the armies of Israel.

■ whom thou hast defied. 46. This day will the LORD

deliver thee into mine hand:

and I will smite thee, and

I take thine head from thee:

and I will give the carcases of the host of the Philistines this day unto the fowls of the air, and to the wild beasts of the earth:

that all the earth may know that there is a

God in Israel.

47. And all this assembly shall know that the LORD saveth not with sword and spear: for the battle is the LORD's, and he will give you into our hands.

48. And it came to pass. when the Philistine arose. and came, and drew nigh to meet

David, that David hasted, and ran toward the army to

meet the Philistine.

49. And David put his hand in his bag, and

took thence

a stone, and slang it, and smote the Philistine

in his forehead, that the stone sunk into his forehead: and he fell upon his

face to the earth.

50. So David prevailed over the Philistine with a sling and with a stone, and smote the Philistine, and slew him:

but there was no sword in the hand of David.

51. Therefore David ran, and stood upon the

Philistine, and took

his sword, and drew it out of the sheaththereof, and slew him.

and cut off his head therewith.

And when the Philistines saw their champion

was dead, they fled.

52. And the men of

Israel and of Judah arose.

and shouted, and

pursued the Philistines.

until thou come to the valley, and to the gates of Ekron. And the wounded of the Philistines fell down by the way to Shaaraim, even unto Gath, and unto Ekron.

■ 53. And the children of

- ■! Israel returned from
- chasing after the

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- Philistines, and they spoiled their tents.
 - 54. And David took the head of the Philistine, and brought it to Jerusalem: but he put his armour in his tent
- 55. And when Saul
- against the Philistine, he said unto Abner, the
- **captain** of the host, Abner.
- whose son is this youth?
- And Abner said,

As thy soul liveth, O king,

- I cannot tell.
 - 56. And the king said, Enquire thou whose son the stripling is.
- 57. And as David returned from the slaughter of the Philistine.
- Abner took him, and brought him
- before Saul with the head
- of the Philistine in his hand.

 58. And Saul said to him.
- Whose son art thou,
- And David answered. I
- *am* the son of thy servant
- Jesse the Bethlehemite.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. And it came to pass.
- when he had made an end
 of speaking unto Saul, that
- the soul of Jonathan was
- knit with the soul of
- David, and Jonathan
- loved him as his own soul.
 - 2. And Saul

took him that day, and would

- let him go no more home to his father's house.
 - 3. Then Jonathan and David made a covenant, because he loved him as his own soul.
 - 4. And Jonathan stripped himself of the robe that was upon him, and gave it to David, and his garments, even to his sword, and to his bow, and to his girdle.
 - 5. And David went out

whithersoever Saul sent him, and behaved himself wisely: and Saul set him over

- the men of war, and he was accepted in the sight
- was accepted in the sightof all the people, and
 - also in the sight of Saul's servants.
- 6. **And** it came to pass as they came,
- when David was
 - returned from the
 - slaughter of the Philistine, that
 - the women came out of all cities of Israel,
- singing and dancing, to meet king Saul,

with tabrets, with joy, and with instruments of music.

- 7. And the women answered one another
- as they played, and said. Saul hath slain
- said, Saul hath slain his thousands, and David his ten thousands.
 - 8. And Saul was very
- wroth, and
 - the saying displeased him; and he said. They have ascribed unto

David ten thousands, and to me they have ascribed *but* thousands: and *what* can he have more but the kingdom?

- 9. And Saul eyed
 David from that day and
 forward.
- 10. **And** it came to pass
- on the morrow, that
- the evil spirit from God
- came upon Saul, and he prophesied in the midst of the house:
 and David
- and Davidplayed with his hand.
- as at other times:
- and there was a
- javelin in Saul's hand.
- 11. And Saul
- cast the javelin; for he said. I will smite David
 - even to the wall with it.
- And David avoided out of his presence twice.
 - 12. And Saul was afraid of David,

because the LORD was with him. and was departed from Saul.

13 Therefore Saul

removed him from him.

and made him his captain over a thousand:

and he went out and came in before the people.

14. And David

behaved himself

wisely in all his ways;

and the LORD was with him.

15. Wherefore when

Saul saw that he behaved himself very wisely, he

was afraid of him.

16. **But all Israel and Judah**

loved David, because he went out and came in before them.

17 And Saul said

to David, Behold

my elder daughter Merab, her

will I give thee to wife:

only be thou valiant for me.

and fight the LORD's battles. For Saul said, Let not

mine hand be upon him, but let the hand of the Philistines be upon him.

18. And David said unto Saul. Who am !? and what is my life, or my father's family in Israel,

that I should be son in law to the king?

19. **But** it came to pass at the time when Merab Saul's daughter

should have been

given to David, that she was given

unto Adriel the Meholathite

to wife.

20. And Michal

Saul's daughter

loved David: and they told Saul, and the thing pleased him.

21 And Saul said.

■ I will give him

■ her, that she may be a

snare to him, and that the hand of the Philistines may be against him. Wherefore Saul said to David, Thou shalt this day be my son in law in the one of the twain.

22 And Saul commanded

his servants, saving.

=[Commune with David secretly, and say, Behold,

the king hath delight in thee. and all his servants love thee: now

therefore be the king's

son in law.

> 23. And Saul's servants spake those words in the ears of David.

And David said. Seemeth it to you

a light thing to be a

king's son in law, seeing

that I *am* a poor man. and lightly esteemed?

24. And the servants of Saul told him, saving, On this

manner spake David.

25. And Saul said. Thus shall ve

say to David, The king desireth not any dowry,

but an hundred foreskins of the Philistines, to be

avenged of the king's enemies. But Saul thought to make

David fall by the hand of

the Philistines.

26. And when his servants told David these words.

it pleased David well

to be the king's son in law: and the days were not expired.

27. Wherefore David

arose and went, he

and his men, and slew of the Philistines

two hundred men; and David

brought their foreskins.

and they gave them in full tale

to the king, that he might be the king's son in law.

And Saul gave

him Michal his daughter

to wife.

28. And Saul saw and knew

that the LORD was with

David, and that

Michal Saul's daughter

loved him.

29. And Saul was yet the

more afraid of

David: and Saul

■ L became David's

enemy continually.

30. Then the princes of the Philistines went forth; and it came to pass. after they went forth, that David behaved himself more wisely than all the servants of Saul: so that his name was much set by.

CHAPTER 19

■ 1 1. And Saul spake to

Jonathan his son

and to all

his servants, that they

should kill David.

2 But Jonathan Saul's son

delighted much

in David: and Jonathan

told David, saying, Saul my father seeketh to kill thee; now

therefore. I pray thee.

take heed to thyself until the morning, and abide in a secret place,

and hide thyself:

3. And I will go out and stand beside my father in the field where thou art, and I will

commune with my

father of thee:

and what I see, that I will tell thee.

4. And Jonathan spake good of David unto Saul his father, and said unto him

Let not the king sin against his servant, against

David: because he hath not sinned against thee,

and because his works have been to thee-ward very good:

5. For he did put his life in his hand, and

slew the Philistine, and the LORD wrought a great

salvation for all

Israel: thou sawest it, and didst rejoice:

wherefore then will thou sin against innocent blood, to

slay David without

a cause?

6. And Saul hearkened

unto the voice of

Jonathan: and Saul sware.

As the LORD liveth. he shall not be slain.

7 And Jonathan

> called David, and Jonathan shewed. him all those things. And Jonathan

brought David to Saul, and he was in his presence. as in times past.

8. And there was war again:

and David went out, and

fought with

the Philistines, and slew them

with a great slaughter; and they fled from him.

And the evil

Spirit from the LOBD

was upon Saul.

as he sat in his house with his iavelin in

his hand: and David

played with his hand

10. And Saul sought to

smite David even to the wall with the javelin: but he

> slipped away out of Saul's presence, and he smote the javelin into the wall: and David fled, and

escaped that night.

11. Saul also sent messengers unto David's

house, to watch him, and

to slav him in the morning: and Michal David's wife

told him, saying, If thou save not thy life to-night, to-morrow thou shalt be slain.

12. So Michal let David down through a window:

and he went, and fled, and escaped.

13. And Michal took an

image, and laid it in the

bed, and put a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster.

and covered it with a cloth.

14. And when Saul sent messengers to take David.

she said. He *is* sick.

15. And Saul sent the messengers again to see David.

saying, Bring him up to me in the bed, that I

may slay him.

- I may slay him. ■ I 16 And when the
- messengers were
- come in, behold,
- there was an image
- in the bed, with a pillow of goats' hair for his bolster.
- 17. And Saul said unto
- Michal, Why hast thou
- deceived me so, and sent away mine enemy, that he is escaped? And Michal answered Saul, He said unto me, Let me go; why should I kill thee?
- 18. So David fled,
 - and escaped, and came
- to Samuel to Ramah,
- and told him all that
- Saul had done to him.
- And he and Samuel went and dwelt in Naioth.
 - 19. And it was told Saul, saying, Behold, David is at Naioth in Ramah.
- 20. And Saul sent
- messengers to take David:
 and when they saw
 - the company of
- the prophets prophesying,
- and Samuel standing as appointed over them.
- the Spirit of God was upon
 the messengers of Saul,
 and they also prophesied.
- 21. And when it was told
- Saul, he
- sent other
- messengers, and

they prophesied likewise.
And Saul sent messengers

- again the third time, and■ they prophesied also.
 - 22. Then went he also
 - to Ramah, and came to a great well that is in Sechu: and he asked and said, Where are Samuel and David? And one said, Behold, they be at Najoth in Ramah.
 - 23. And he went thither
- to Naioth in Ramah:
- and the Spirit of God
- was upon him also,
- **and he** went on, and
 - prophesied, until he came to Naioth in Ramah.

1 24. And he stripped off his

- clothes also, and prophesied before Samuel in like manner.
- and lay down
- naked all that
- day and all that
- night. Wherefore
- they say, is Saul
- also among
- the prophets?

CHAPTER 20

- 1. And David fled
 - from Naioth in Ramah,
- and came and said before
- **Jonathan**, What have I done? what *is* mine iniquity? and
- what *is* my sin before
- thy father, that he
- seeketh my life?
- 2. And he said
- thou shalt not die: behold.
- my father will do
- nothing either great or small.
- but that he will shew it me: and why should my father hide this thing from me? it is not so.
- 3. Ånd David sware moreover, and said.
- Thy father certainly
- knoweth that I have found
 - grace in thine eyes; and he saith, Let not Jonathan
- saith, Let not Jonathan know this, lest he be grieved:
- but truly as the LORD
- liveth, and as thy soul liveth,
- there is but a step
- between me and death.
 - Then said Jonathan unto David,
 Whatsoever thy soul desireth,
 I will even do it for thee.
- 5. And David said unto Jonathan, Behold,
- to-morrow is the new moon, and
- I should not fail to
- sit with the king at meat:
- but let me go, that I may
- hide myself
- in the field unto
- the third day at even.
- 6. If thy father at all
- miss me, then

say. David earnestly asked leave of me

■ that he might run to

Beth-lehem his city:

for there is

a vearly sacrifice there for all the family.

7. If he say thus,

It is well; thy servant shall have peace: but if he be very

wroth, then be sure that evil is determined by him. 8. Therefore thou shalt

deal kindly with thy

servant: for thou hast brought thy servant into a covenant of the LORD with thee: notwithstanding.

if there be in me iniquity. slay me thyself; for why shouldest thou bring me to thy father? 9 And Jonathan said.

Far be it from thee: for

if I knew certainly that evil were determined

by my father to come upon thee. **=** 1

then would not I tell it thee?

10. Then said David to Jonathan Who shall tell me? or what if thy father answer thee roughly?

11. And Jonathan said unto David. Come, and let us go out into the field. And they went out both of them

into the field.

> 12. And Jonathan said unto David, O LORD God of Israel.

when I have sounded

my father about

to-morrow any time,

or the third day, and, behold, if there be good toward David. and I then send not unto thee. and shew it thee:

13. The LORD do so

and much more to Jonathan: but if

it please my father to do thee evil, then I will shew it thee, and send thee away,

that thou mayest go in peace; and the LORD be with thee, as he hath been

with my father. 14. And thou shalt

not only while yet I live

shew me the kindness

of the LORD, that I die not:

15. But also

thou shalt not

cut off thy kindness from

my house for ever: no, not when the LORD hath cut

off the enemies of David every one from the face of the earth.

16. **So Jonathan made a**

covenant with the house of

David, saying, Let the LORD even require it at the hand of David's enemies.

> And Jonathan caused. David to swear again, because he loved him: for he loved him as he loved his own soul.

18. Then Jonathan

said to David.

To-morrow is the new moon; and

thou shalt be missed. because thy seat

will be empty.

19. And when thou hast staved three days.

then thou shalt

GO down

quickly, and come

to the place where thou didst hide

> thyself when the business was in hand, and shalt remain

by the stone Ezel.

20. And I will shoot three **GITOWS** on the side thereof, as though I shot at a mark.

21. And, behold.

I will send a lad, saying.

Go, find out the arrows.

If I expressly

say unto the lad, Behold,

the arrows *are* on

this side of thee, take them;

then come thou:

for there is peace to thee, and no hurt: as the LORD liveth.

22. But if I say thus unto the young man, Behold,

the arrows are beyond

thee; go thy way: for

the LORD hath sent

thee away.

23. And as touching the

matter which thou and I have spoken of, behold,

the LORD be between thee and me for ever.

■ 24. So David hid himself

in the field: and when the new moon was

come, the king sat him

down to eat meat.

25. And the king sat upon his seat, as at other times, *even* upon a seat by the wall: and Jonathan arose, and Abner sat by Saul's side.

and David's place was empty.

26. Nevertheless Saul spake not any thing that day: for he
 thought, Something hath

thought, Something hath
 befallen him, he is not clean;
 surely he is not clean.

surely he *is* not clean. 27. **And** it came to pass

on the morrow, which was the

second day of the month, that
David's place was

empty: and Saul said unto Jonathan his son.

Wherefore cometh not the son of Jesse to meat,

neither yesterday, nor to-day?

■ 28. And Jonathan

■ answered Saul,

David earnestly

■ asked leave of me
■ to go to Beth-lehem:

29. And he said, Let me go, I pray thee:

■ **for** our family hath

or sacrifice in the city; and my brother, he hath commanded me to be there: and now, if I have found favour in thine eyes, let me get away, I pray thee, and see my brethren. Therefore he cometh not unto the king's table.

30. Then Saul's anger was kindled against Jonathan,

■ and he said unto him,

Thou son of the perverse rebellious woman, do not

■ I know that thou hast

chosen the son of Jesse to thine own confusion.

and unto the confusion of thy mother's nakedness?

■ 31. For as long as the son of ■ Jesse liveth upon the ground.

thou shalt not be established, nor t

established, nor thy

kingdom. Wherefore

■ NOW send and

fetch him unto me, for he shall surely die.

■ 32. And Jonathan

■ answered Saul his father, and said unto him

Wherefore shall he be
slain? what hath he done?
₃₃. And Saul cast a javelin

at him to smite him: whereby
Jonathan knew that it was determined
of his father to slav David.

■ 34. So Jonathan

Grose from the table

■ in fierce

anger, and did eat no meat the second day of the month: for he was grieved for David,

because his father had

done him shame.

35. **And** it came to pass

in the morning, that
Jonathan went out
into the field at the time

into the field at the time appointed with David.

■ and a little

■ lad with him.

■ 36. And he said unto his

lad, Run, find out now the arrows which I

shoot. And as the lad ran, he shot an arrow beyond him.

37. And when the lad was come to the place of

■ the arrow

which Jonathan had shot,

Jonathan cried

Is not the arrow

■ beyond thee?

38. And Jonathan cried after the lad. Make speed, haste, s

the lad, Make speed, haste, stay not. And Jonathan's

■ lad gathered up the arrows, and came

■ to his master.

39. **But** the lad knew not any thing:

() only Jonathan and

449	David C
	David knew the matter. 40. And Jonathan gave his artillery unto his lad, and said unto him. Go, carry them to the city.
	the lad was gone. David arose out of a place toward the south, and fell on his face
-	to the ground, and bowed himself three times: and they
	kissed one another, and wept one with another,
	until David exceeded. 42. And Jonathan said to David.
	Go in peace, forasmuch as we have sworn both of us in the
	name of the LORD.

■ saying, The LORD be

■ between me and thee, and

between my seed and thy seed

for ever. And he arose and

and Jonathan went into the city.

CHAPTER 21

departed:

1. Then came David to Nob to Ahimelech the priest: and Ahimelech was afraid at the meeting of David. and said unto him. Why art thou alone. and no man with thee? 2. And David said unto Ahimelech the priest. The king hath commanded me a business, and hath said unto me. Let no man know any thing of the business whereabout I send thee. and what I have commanded thee: and I have appointed my servants to such and such a place. 3. Now therefore what is under thine hand? give me five loaves of bread in mine hand.

or what there is present. 4. And the priest answered David, and said. There is no common **bread** under mine hand but there is hallowed bread; if the young men have kept themselves at least from women. And David answered the priest, and said unto him. Of a truth women have been kept from us about these three days. since I came out. and the vessels of the young men are holy. and the bread is in a manner common, yea, though it were sanctified this day in the vessel. 6. So the priest gave **him** hallowed *bread*: for there was no bread there but the shewbread, that was taken from before the LORD, to put hot bread in the day when it was taken away. 7. Now a certain man of the servants of Soul was there that day. detained before the LORD: and his name was Doeg. an Edomite, the chiefest of the herdmen that belonged to Saul. 8. And David said unto Ahimelech, And is there not here under thine hand spear or sword? for I have neither brought my sword nor my weapons with me. because the king's business required haste.

And the priest said.

Philistine, whom thou slewest

in the valley of Elah, behold, it

the ephod: if thou wilt take that.

And David said, *There is*

take it: for there is no

other save that here.

The sword of Goliath the

is here wrapped in a cloth behind

- | none like that; give it me.
- 10. And David arose and

fled that day

- for fear of Saul, and
- went to Achish the king of Gath.
- 11. And the servants of
- Achish said unto him,
- *Is* not this David
- the king of the land?
- did they not sing one to another of him in dances, saying,
- | Saul hath slain his
- thousands, and David his ten thousands?
- 12. And David laid up these words in his heart, and
- was sore
- afraid of Achish
- the king of Gath.
- 13. And he changed his
- behaviour before them,
 and feigned himself
- **mad** in their hands,
- and scrabbled on
- the doors of the gate,
- and let his spittle falldown upon his beard.
- 14. Then said Achish unto his servants, Lo, ye see
- the man is mad: wherefore then have ve brought him to me?
 - 15. Have I need of mad men, that ye have brought this *fellow* to play the mad man in my presence?
- shall this *fellow* come
- |■| into my house?

CHAPTER 22

- 1. David therefore departed thence, and
- escaped to the cave
- Adullam: and
 - when his brethren and
- all his father's house heard it, they
- went down thither
- to him.
- 2. And every one that was
 - in distress, and
 - every one that was
- in debt, and every one that was
- discontented.

- I aathered themselves
- unto him; and he became a captain over them:
- and there were with him
- about four hundred men.
 - 3. And David went thence
- to Mizpeh of
- Moab: and he
- said unto the king of Moab,
- Let my father and my
- mother, I pray thee,
- come forth,
- and be with you, till I know what God will do for me.
- And he brought them before the king of Moab: and they dwelt with him all the while that David was in the hold.
- 5. And the prophet Gad said unto David.
 - Ahide not in the hold:
 - Abide not in the hold;
- depart, and get thee into the land of Judah.
- Then David departed, and
- came into the forest
- of Hareth.
- 6. When Saul heard that David was discovered.

and the men that were with him, (now Saul abode in Gibeah under a tree in Ramah, having his spear in his hand, and all his servants were standing about him;)

- 7. Then Saul said unto his servants that stood about him, Hear now, ye Benjamites;
- will the son of
- Jesse give every one of
- you fields and vineyards,
- and make you all
- **captains** of thousands, and captains of hundreds;
 - 8. That all of
- you have conspired
 - against me, and there is none that sheweth me that
- my son hath made a
- league with the son of
- Jesse, and *there*
- is none of you
 - that is sorry for me,

or sheweth unto me that my son hath stirred up my servant against me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

9. Then answered Doea the Edomite, which was set over

the servants of Saul.

and said. I saw the son of Jesse coming to Nob.

■ to Ahimelech the son of Ahitub.

■ 10. And he inquired of the LORD for him, and gave

him victuals, and gave him

the sword of

Goliath the Philistine.

11. Then the king sent to

call Ahimelech the priest, the son of Ahitub,

and all his father's house.

■ the priests that were

in Nob: and

they came all of them

to the king. 12. And Saul said. Hear now.

> thou son of Ahitub. And he answered. Here I am, my lord.

13. And Saul said unto him.

■ Why have ye conspired against me, thou and

■ the son of Jesse, in that

thou hast given him bread.

and a sword, and hast inquired of God for him.

that he should rise against

me, to lie in wait, as at this day?

■ 14. Then Ahimelech

answered the king, and said, And who is so faithful amona all

thy servants as David,

which is the king's son in law, and goeth at thy bidding, and is honourable in thine house?

15. Did I then begin to inquire of God for him? be it far from me:

let not the king impute any thing unto his servant.

nor to all the house of my father:

for thy servant knew nothing of all this, less or more.

16. And the king said,

Thou shalt surely die.

■ Ahimelech, thou.

and all thy father's house.

■ 17. And the king said unto the footmen

that stood about him, Turn, and

slay the priests of the LORD:

because their hand also is with David. and because they knew when he fled, and did not shew it to me.

But the servants of the king

would not put forth

their hand to fall

upon the priests of the LORD.

18. And the king said

to Doeg, Turn thou, and fall upon the priests.

And Doeg the Edomite turned,

and he fell upon the priests, and

slew on that day

fourscore and five persons

that did wear a linen ephod. 19. And Nob, the city

of the priests, smote

he with the edge of

the sword, both men and women, children and sucklings, and oxen. and asses, and sheep, with the

edge of the sword.

20. And one of the sons of Ahimelech the son of

Ahitub, named Abiathar, escaped, and fled

after David.

21. And Abiathar shewed David that Saul had slain

the LORD's priests. 22. And David said

unto Abiathar.

I knew it that day, when

Doeg the Edomite was there, that he

would surely

tell Saul: I have occasioned the death

of all the persons

of thy father's house.

23. Abide thou

with me, fear not:

for he that seeketh my life seeketh thy life; but

with me thou shalf

be in safeguard.

CHAPTER 23

1. Then they told

David, saying, Behold,

the Philistines fight against

Keilah, and they rob the

Bring hither

the ephod.

10. Then said David.

O LORD God of Israel.

I SAMUEL 23 threshinafloors. 2 Therefore David inquired of the LORD, saving. Shall I go and smite these Philistines? And the LORD said unto David. Go, and smite the Philistines. and save Keilah. 3 And David's men said unto him. Behold. we be afraid here in Judah: how much more then if we come to Keilah against the armies of the Philistines? 4. Then David inquired of the LORD yet again. And the LORD answered him and said. Arise, go down to Keilah; for ■ I will deliver the Philistines into thine hand. ■ 5. So David and his men went to Keilah. ■ and fought with ■ the Philistines. and brought away their cattle. and smote them with a ■ areat slaughter. So David saved the inhabitants of Keilah. And it came to pass. when Abiathar the son of Ahimelech fled to David to Keilah, that ■ he came down with an ephod in his hand. 7. And it was told Saul that David was come to Keilah. And Saul said. God hath delivered him into mine hand: for he is shut in. by entering into a town that

hath gates and bars.

■ 8. And Saul called

■ to besiege David

and his men.

him: and he

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all the people together

■ to war, to go down to Keilah,

9. And David knew that Saul

said to Abiathar the priest,

thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah. to destroy the city for my sake. 11. Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? will Saul come down, as thy servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD said. He will come down. 12 Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said. They will deliver thee up. 13. Then David and his men. which were about six hundred, arose and departed out of Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah: and he forbare to go forth. 14 And David abode in the wilderness in strong holds, and remained in a mountain in the wilderness of Ziph. And Saul sought him every day, but God delivered him not into his hand. And David saw that Saul was come out to seek his life: and David was in the wilderness of Ziph in a wood. 16 And Jonathan Saul's son arose, and went to David into the wood, and strengthened his hand in God. 17. **And** he said unto him. Fear not: for the hand of Saul my father shall not find secretly practised mischief against thee; and thou shalt be king over Israel, and I shall be

next unto thee; and that also Saul my father knoweth.

18 And they two

made a covenant

before the LORD:

and David abode in the wood, and Jonathan went to his house.

19. Then came up the

Ziphites to Saul to Gibeah. saving. Doth not David

hide himself with

us in strong holds in

the wood, in the hill of Hachilah. which is on the south of Jeshimon?

20. Now therefore, O king.

come down according to all the desire of thy soul to come down;

and our part shall be to deliver him into the king's hand. 21. And Saul said, Blessed

be ye of the LORD; for ye have compassion on me.

22. Go, I pray you. prepare yet, and know

and see his place where his haunt is, and who hath seen him there; for it is told me that he dealeth very subtilly. 23. See therefore, and take knowledge of all the lurking places

where he hideth himself,

and come ve again

to me with the certainty,

and I will go with you:

and it shall come to pass, if he be in the land, that I will

search him out throughout all the thousands of Judah.

24. And they arose, and

went to Ziph before Saul: but David and his men

were in the wilderness

of Maon, in the plain on the south of Jeshimon

25. Saul also and his men went to seek him. And they told David: wherefore he came down into a rock. and abode in the wilderness of Maon.

And when Saul heard that. ■ he pursued after David

in the wilderness of Maon. 26. And Saul went on

this side of the mountain.

and David and his men

on that side

of the mountain; and David made haste to get away for fear of Saul; for Soul and his men

compassed David and his men round about

to take them.

27. But there came a

messenger unto Saul,

saying, Haste thee, and come: for the Philistines

have invaded the land.

28. Wherefore Saul returned from pursuing after David.

and went against the

Philistines: therefore they called that place Sela-hammahlekoth.

29. And David went up from thence, and

dwelt in strong ■ holds at En-gedi.

CHAPTER 24

1. And it came to pass, when Soul was

returned from following the Philistines, that it was told him, saving, Behold, David is in the wilderness of En-gedi.

2. Then Saul took

three thousand chosen

men out of all Israel. and went to seek

David and his men upon the rocks of the wild goats.

And he came to the sheepcotes

by the way, where was a cave:

and Saul

went in to cover his feet: and David and

his men remained in the sides of the cave.

4. And the men of David

said unto him. Behold the day of which

the LORD said

unto thee, Behold,

I will deliver thine enemy into thine hand,

that thou mayest do to him as it shall seem good unto thee.

Then David arose,

I SAMUEL 24 and cut off the skirt of Saul's robe privily. ■ 5. And it came to pass afterward, that David's heart smote him. because he had cut off Saul's skirt. 6. And he said unto his men. ■ The LORD forbid that I should do this thing ■ unto my master. ■ the LORD's anointed, to stretch forth mine hand against him. seeing he is the anointed of the LORD. 7. So David stayed his servants with these words. and suffered them not to rise against Saul. But Saul rose up out of the cave. and went on his way. 8 David also rose afterward, and went out of the cave. and cried after Saul, saying. My lord the king. And when Saul looked behind him. David stooped with his face to the earth, and bowed himself. 9 And David said to Saul, Wherefore hearest thou men's words, saying, Behold. David seeketh thy hurt? 10. Behold. this day thine eyes have seen how that the LORD had delivered thee to-day into mine hand in the cave: and some bade me kill thee: but mine eve spared thee; and I said. I will not put forth mine hand against my lord; for he is the LORD's anointed. 11. Moreover, my father, see, yea, see the skirt of thy robe in my hand: for in that

I cut off the skirt of thy

robe, and killed thee

not, know thou and see that

there is neither evil

nor transgression in

yet thou huntest my

sinned against thee:

mine hand, and I have not

soul to take it. 12. The LORD judge between me and thee, and the LORD avenge me of thee: but mine hand shall not be upon thee. 13. As saith the proverb of the ancients. Wickedness proceedeth from the wicked: but mine hand shall not be upon thee. 14. After whom is the king of Israel come out? after whom dost thou pursue? after a dead dog, after a flea. 15. The LORD therefore be judge, and judge between me and thee, and see, and plead my cause. and deliver me out of thine hand. And it came to pass, when David had made an end of speaking these words unto Saul, that Saul said. Is this thy voice, my son David? And Saul lifted up his voice, and wept. And he said to David. Thou *art* more righteous than I: for thou hast rewarded me good, whereas I have rewarded thee evil. 18. And thou hast shewed this day how that thou hast dealt well with me: forasmuch as when the LORD had delivered me into thine hand. thou killedst me not. 19. For if a man find his enemy, will he let him go well away? wherefore the LORD reward thee good for that thou hast done unto me this day. 20. And now, behold. I know well that thou shalt surely be king, and that the kingdom of Israel shall be established in thine hand.

21. Swear now therefore unto me

by the LORD, that thou wilt

- | not cut off my seed after me.
- and that thou
- wilt not destroy my name
- out of my father's house.
- 22. And David
- **SWGIE** unto Saul.
- And Saul went home;

but David and his men gat them up unto the hold.

CHAPTER 25

- | 1. And Samuel died; ■ | and all the Israelites
 - were gathered together, and
- lamented him, and
- **buried him** in his house
- at Ramah. And
- David arose, and
- went down
- to the wilderness of Paran.
- 2. And there was
- a man in Maon,
 - whose possessions were in Carmel;
- and the man *was* very
- great, and he had three thousand sheep, and a thousand goats: and he was shearing his sheep in Carmel.
- 3. Now the name of the man was Nabal; and the name of
- his wife Abigail: and she was a woman of good
- understanding, and of a
- **beautiful** countenance:
- but the man was churlish and evil in his doings; and he was of the
- house of Caleb.
- 4. And

David heard in the wilderness that

- Nabal did shear his sheep.
- 5. And David sent out
 - ten young men, and David said unto the young men, Get you up to Carmel, and go
- **to Nabal**, and greet him in my name:
- 6. And thus shall ye
- **SQY** to him that liveth in prosperity,
- Peace be both
- to thee, and peace be to
- thine house,
 - and peace *be* unto all that thou hast.

 7. And now I have heard that thou
 - hast shearers: now

- I thy shepherds which
- were with us, we hurt them not, neither was there ought
- missing unto them, all the
- while they were in Carmel.
 - 8. Ask thy young men, and they will shew thee.
- Wherefore let the young men find favour in thine eyes: for we come in a good day:
- give, I pray thee,
 who is oever co
 - whatsoever cometh to thine hand unto thy
 - servants, and to thy son David.
 - And when David's young men came.
- they spake to
- Nabal according to all
- those words in the name
- of David, and ceased.

 10. And Nabal answ
 - 10. And Nabal answered
 David's servants, and said.
 - Who is David? and
 - who is the son of Jesse?
- there be many servants now a days
- servants now a days
 that break away every man
- from his master.
- 11. Shall I then take my
- bread, and my
- water, and my flesh that I have killed for my shearers.
- and give it unto men,
 - whom I know not whence they be?
- 12. **So David's young men** turned their way, and went again, and
- came and fold him all those savings.
- 13 And David
- said unto his men.
 - Gird ye

- on every man his sword. And they girds
 - **sword.** And they girded on every man his sword; and David also girded on his sword:
- and there went up
- after David about four
 hundred men; and two
 - hundred abode by the stuff.
- 14. But one of the young men told
 - Abigail, Nabal's wife,
- saying, Behold,

I SAMUEL 25 David sent messengers out of the wilderness to salute our master: and he railed on them. 15. But the men were very good unto us. and we were not hurt. neither missed we any thing, as long as we were conversant with them. when we were in the fields: 16. They were a wall unto US both by night and day, all the ■ while we were with them keeping the sheep. 17. Now therefore know and consider what thou wilt ■ do: for evil is determined against our master. and against all his household: for he is such a son of Belial, that a man cannot speak to him. 18. Then Abiaail made haste, and took two hundred loaves, and two bottles of wine, and five sheep ready dressed, and five measures of parched corn, and an hundred clusters of raisins, and two hundred cakes of figs, and laid them on asses. 19. And she said unto her servants. Go on before me: behold. I come after you. But she told not her husband Nabal. 20. And it was so. **QS** she rode on the ass, that she came down by the covert on the hill, and, behold, David and his men came down against her; and she met them. ■ 21. Now David

■ had said, Surely

■ him: and he hath

I kept all that this fellow hath

in the wilderness, so that

nothing was missed of all that pertained unto

in vain have

requited me evil for good. 22. So and more also do God unto the enemies of David, if I leave of all that pertain to him by the morning light any that pisseth against the wall. s۱ 23. And when Abigail saw David, she hasted. and lighted off the ass, and fell before David on her face, and **=** l bowed herself to the around. 24. And fell at his feet. and said, Upon me, my lord, upon me let this iniquity be: and let thine handmaid. I pray thee. speak in thine audience, and hear the words of thine handmaid. Let not my lord. I pray thee. regard this man of Belial, even Nabal: for as his name is, so is he. Nabal is his name, and folly is with him: but I thine handmaid saw not the young men of my lord. whom thou didst send. 26. **Now** therefore, my lord, as the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth, seeing the LORD hath withholden thee from coming to shed blood, and from avenging thyself with thine own hand, now let thine enemies. and they that seek evil to my lord, be as Nabal. 27. And now this blessing which thine handmaid hath brought unto my lord, let it even be given unto the young men that follow my lord. 28. I pray thee. forgive the trespass of thine handmaid: for the LORD will certainly make my lord a sure house; because my lord fighteth the battles of the LORD, and evil hath not been found in thee all thy days.

29 Yet a man is

■ I risen to pursue thee, and to seek thy soul; but the soul of my lord shall be bound in the bundle of life with the LORD thy God: and the souls of thine enemies, them shall he sling out, as out of the middle of a sling. 30. And it shall come to pass. when the LORD shall have

done to my lord according to all the good that he hath

spoken concerning ■ thee, and shall have

appointed thee ruler over Israel:

31. That this shall be no grief unto thee, nor offence of heart unto my lord, either that thou hast shed blood. causeless, or that my lord hath avenged himself: but when the LORD shall have dealt well with my lord.

then remember thine handmaid.

32. And David said to Abigail,

Blessed be the LORD God of Israel.

which sent thee

this day to meet me:

33. And blessed be thy advice. and blessed be thou, which hast

kept me this day

■ I from coming to shed ■ | blood, and from

avenging myself with mine own hand.

34. For in very

deed, as

the LORD

God of Israel liveth, which

hath kept me back

from hurting thee, except ■ thou hadst hasted and

come to meet me, surely

there had not been left

unto Nabal by the morning light

any that pisseth against the wall.

35. So David

received of her hand

that which she

had brought him,

and said unto her.

GO un

in peace to thine house; see, I have hearkened to thy voice, and have accepted thy person.

36. **And** Abigail came to Nabal; and, behold, he

held a feast in his house. like the feast of a king:

and Nabal's heart was merry within him for

he was very drunken: wherefore she told him **nothing**, less or more, until the

morning light.

37. But it came to pass in the morning, when the wine was gone out of Nabal, and his wife had

told him these things, that

his heart died within him

and he became as a stone.

38. And it came to pass about ten days after, that

the LORD smote Nabal. that he died.

39. And when David heard that Nabal was dead

he said. Blessed be the LORD, that hath pleaded the cause of my reproach from the hand of Nabal, and hath

kept his servant from evil: for the LORD hath returned the wickedness of Nabal upon his own head.

And David sent and

communed with Abiaail. to take her to him

to wife.

40. And when the servants of David were come to Abigail to Carmel, they spake unto her, saying, David sent us unto thee, to take thee to him to wife.

41. And she arose, and

bowed herself on *her* face. to the earth

and said, Behold,

let thine handmaid *be* a

servant to wash the feet of the servants of my lord.

42. And Abigail hasted, and arose

and rode upon an ass.

- I with five damsels of hers that went after her; and she went after the messengers of David.
- and became his wife.
- 43. David also took
- Ahinoam of Jezreel:
- and they were also
- both of them
- his wives.
- 44. But Saul had given
- Michal his daughter,
- David's wife, to
- Phalti the son of Laish.
- which was
- of Gallim

CHAPTER 26

- 1 1. And the Ziphites
- **came** unto Saul to Gibeah.
- saying, Doth not David
- hide himself in the hill of
- Hachilah, which is before Jeshimon?
- 2. Then Squi arose, and
- went down
- to the wilderness of
- Ziph, having three
- thousand chosen
- men of Israel with him.
- to seek David
 - in the wilderness of Ziph.
 - 3. And Saul pitched in the hill of Hachilah, which is before Jeshimon, by the way.
- But David abode in the wilderness, and he
- saw that Saul came
- **after him** into the wilderness.
- 4. David therefore sent out spies,
- and understood that
- Saul was come
- in very deed.
- 5. And David arose, and
- came to the place
- where Saul had pitched:
- and David beheld the place where
- Saul lay, and Abner the son of Ner, the captain of his host:
- and Saul lay in the trench,
- and the people pitched
- round about him.
 - 6. Then answered David and said to Ahimelech the Hittite, and to Abishai

- the son of Zeruiah, brother to Joah saving. Who will go down with me to Saul to the camp? And Abishai said. I will go down with thee.
- 7. So David and
- Abishai came to the people
- by night: and, behold.
- Saul lav sleepina within the trench.
 - and his spear
 - stuck in the around
 - at his bolster: but Abner and the people lay round about him.
 - 8. Then said Abishai to David.
- God hath delivered thine enemy into thine hand
 - this day: now therefore
- let me smite him. I prav thee, with the spear even to the earth at once, and I will not smite him the second time.
- 9 And David said to Abishai.
- Destroy him not: for who
- can stretch forth his
- hand against the LORD's anointed.
- and be guiltless?
 - 10. David said furthermore. As the LORD liveth.
- the LORD shall smite him; or his day shall come to die; or he
 - shall descend into battle, and perish. The LORD forbid that i should stretch forth mine hand against the LORD's anointed:
- but, I pray thee, take thou now
- the spear that is at his bolster.
- and the cruse of
- water, and let us go.
 - 12. So David took the spear and the cruse of water from Saul's bolster; and
- they gat them away, and no
- man saw it. nor knew it, neither awaked: for they were all asleep;
- because a deep sleep from the LORD was fallen
- upon them.
- 13 Then David
- went over to the other side, and
- stood on the top of
- an hill afar off:

a great space being between them:

■ 14 And David

cried to the people.

and to Abner the son of Ner, saving, Answerest thou not, Abner? Then Abner answered and said. Who art thou that criest to the king?

15. And David said

to Abner. Art not thou a valiant man?

and who is like to thee in Israel?

wherefore then

hast thou not kept thy lord

the king? for there

came one of the people in

to destroy the king thy lord. 16. This thing is not good that thou

hast done. As the LORD liveth. ve are worthy to die. because ye have not

kept your master, the LORD's anointed. And now

see where the king's Spear is, and the cruse of water that was at his bolster.

17. And Saul knew

David's voice, and said, Is this thy voice,

my son David? And David

said, It is my voice, my lord, O king. 18. And he said.

Wherefore doth my lord thus

pursue after

his servant? for what have I done? or what evil is in mine hand? 19. Now therefore, I pray thee,

let my lord the king hear the words of his servant.

If the LORD have

stirred thee up

against me, let him

accept an offering:

but if they be the children of men, cursed be they

before the LORD:

for they have driven

me out this day

from abiding in

the inheritance of the LORD. saving, Go, serve other gods.

20. **Now** therefore.

let not my blood fall to the earth before the tace of the

LORD: for the king of Israel is come out to seek a flea, as when one doth hunt a partridge in the mountains. 21. Then said Saul, I have

sinned: return, my son David:

for I will no more do thee

harm, because my soul was precious in thine eyes this day: behold. I have played the fool, and have erred exceedingly.

22. And David answered and

said, Behold

the king's spear! and

let one of the young men come over and fetch it.

23 The LORD

render to every man

his righteousness and his

faithfulness: for the LORD delivered thee

into my hand to-day.

but I would not stretch forth mine hand against the

LORD's anointed.

24. And, behold, as thy life was much set by this day in mine eyes, so let my life be much set by in the eyes of the LORD, and let him deliver me out of all

25. Then Saul said to David.

Blessed be thou, my son

David: thou shalt both do great things, and also shalt still

prevail. So David went on

his way, and Saul returned to his place.

CHAPTER 27

1. And David said in his

heart, I shall now

perish one day by the hand

of Saul: there is nothing better for me than that

I should speedily

escape into the land of

the Philistines; and Saul shall despair of me, to seek me any more in any coast of Israel: so shall I escape out of his hand.

2. And David arose, and he

passed over

with the six hundred

men that were with him

- I unto Achish, the son of Maoch. king of Gath.
 - 3. And David dwelt with Achish at Gath, he and his men, every man with his household, even David with his two wives. Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail the Carmelitess, Nabal's wife,
- 4 And it was told Saul that David was fled to Gath:
- and he sought no more again for him.
- 5. And David said unto
- Achish, If I have now found grace in thine eyes, let them give me a place
- in some town in the country.
- that I may dwell there:

for why should thy servant dwell in the royal city with thee?

- 6. Then Achish gave him Ziklaq that day: wherefore Ziklag pertaineth unto the kings of Judah unto this day.
- 7. And the time that
- David dwelt in the country
- of the Philistines was
- a full year and four months.
- 8. And David and
- his men went up, and
- invaded the Geshurites.
- and the Gezrites, and the Amalekites: for those nations were of old the inhabitants of the land, as thou goest to Shur, even unto the land of Egypt.
- 9. And David
- smote the land, and
- left neither man nor
- woman alive, and took
- away the sheep, and the
- OXEN, and the
- asses, and the
- camels, and the apparel,
- and returned, and came to Achish.
 - 10. And Achish said. Whither have ye made a road to-day? And David said, Against the south of Judah, and against the south of the Jerahmeelites, and against the south of the Kenites.
- 11. And David saved neither man nor woman

- alive, to bring tidings to Gath, saying, Lest they should tell on us, saying, So did David, and so will be his manner all the while he dwelleth in the country of the Philistines
- 12. And Achish believed David, saying, He hath
- made his people
- Israel utterly to
- abhor him: therefore
 - he shall be my
- servant for ever.

CHAPTER 28

- 1. And it came to pass in those days, that
- the Philistines gathered
- their armies together
- for warfare, to fight
- with Israel. And Achish
- said unto David.
- Know thou assuredly, that
- thou shalt go out
 - with me to battle.
 - thou and thy men.
 - 2. And David said to Achish, Surely thou shalt know what thy servant can do. And Achish said to David. Therefore will I make thee keeper of
 - mine head for ever.
 - Now Samuel was dead. and all Israel had lamented him. and buried him in Ramah, even in his own city.
- And Saul had put away those that had familiar
- spirits, and the wizards,
 - out of the land.
 - And the Philistines gathered themselves together, and came and pitched in Shunem: and Saul gathered all Israel together, and they pitched in Gilboa.
- 5. And when Saul saw
- the host of the Philistines.
 - he was afraid.
 - and his heart greatly trembled.
- 6. And when Saul inquired
- of the LORD, the LORD
- answered him not, neither by dreams, nor by Urim, nor by prophets.
- 7. Then said

Saul unto his servants. Seek me a woman that hath ■ a familiar spirit, that I may go to her, and inquire of her. And his servants said to him. Behold. there is a woman that hath a familiar spirit at En-dor. 8. And Saul disguised himself, and put on other raiment, and he went, and two men with him, and they came to the woman by night: and he said, I pray thee. divine unto me by the familiar spirit. and bring me him up, whom I shall name unto thee. And the woman said unto him. Behold, thou knowest what Saul hath done how he hath cut off those that have familiar spirits, and the wizards, out of the land: wherefore then layest thou a snare for my life, to cause me to die? 10. And Saul sware to her by the LORD. saving. As the LORD liveth. there shall no punishment happen to thee for this thing. 11. Then said the woman. Whom shall I bring up unto thee? And he said, Bring me up Samuel. 12. And when the woman saw Samuel, she cried with a loud voice: and the woman spake to Saul, saving. Why hast thou deceived me? for thou art Saul. 13. And the king said unto her. Be not afraid: for what

sawest thou? And the woman

said unto Saul, I saw gods

ascending out of the earth.

form is he of?

14. And he said unto her, What

And she said. An old man cometh up: and he is covered with a mantle. And Saul perceived that it was Samuel, and he stooped with his face to the ground, and bowed himself 15. And Samuel said to Saul, Why hast thou disquieted me, to bring me up? And Saul answered. I am sore distressed: for the Philistines make war against me. and God is departed from **me**, and answereth me no more. neither by prophets, nor by dreams: therefore I have called thee, that thou mayest make known unto me what I shall do. 16. Then said Samuel. Wherefore then dost thou ask of me. seeing the LORD is departed from thee, and is become thine enemy? 17. And the LORD hath done to him, as he spake by me: for the LORD hath rent the kingdom out of thine hand, and given it to thy neighbour, even to David: 18. Because thou obeyedst not the voice of the LORD, nor executedst his fierce wrath upon Amalek, therefore hath the LORD done this thing unto thee this day. 19. Moreover the LORD will also deliver Israel with thee into the hand of the Philistines: and to morrow shalf thou and thy sons be with me: the LORD also shall deliver the host of Israel into the hand of the Philistines. 20. Then Saul fell straightway all along

on the earth, and was sore afraid,

because of the words of Samuel: and there was no strenath in him: for he had eaten

no bread all the day, nor all the night.

21. And the woman came unto Saul, and

saw that he was sore

troubled, and said unto him. Behold, thine handmaid hath obeyed thy voice, and I have put my life in my hand, and have hearkened unto thy words which thou spakest unto me. 22. Now therefore, I pray thee, hearken thou also unto the voice

of thine handmaid, and let me set a morsel of

bread before thee; and eat.

■ that thou mayest

■ have strenath, when thou goest on thy way.

23. But he refused. and said. I will not eat.

But his servants.

together with the woman, compelled him:

> and he hearkened unto their voice. So he arose from the earth. and sat upon the bed.

24. And the woman had a fat

calf in the house:

and she hasted, and

killed it, and took flour, and kneaded it

and did bake unleavened

bread thereof:

25. **And** she

■ | brought it before Saul. and before his servants:

and they did eat. Then they rose up.

and went away that night.

CHAPTER 29

■ 1 1 Now the Philistines

gathered together all their armies to Aphek: and the Israelites pitched by a fountain which is in Jezreel.

2. And the lords of the Philistines passed on by hundreds, and

by thousands: but David

■ and his men passed on

in the rereward with Achish.

3. Then said the princes of the Philistines. What do

these Hebrews here? And

Achish said unto the princes of the Philistines, Is not this David, the servant of Saul the king of Israel. which hath been with me these days. or these years, and I have found no fault in him since he fell unto me unto this day?

4. And the princes of the Philistines were wroth with him:

and the princes of the Philistines

said unto him.

Make this fellow return. that he may go again to his place which thou hast appointed him,

and let him not ao down B١ with us to battle.

lest in the battle

he be an adversary to us:

for wherewith should be reconcile himself unto his master? should it not be with the heads of these men? Is not this David, of whom they sang one to another in dances. saving. Saul slew his thousands, and

David his ten thousands? 6. Then Achish called

David, and said unto him. Surely, as the LORD liveth, thou hast been upright, and thy going out and thy coming in with me in the host is good in my sight: for

I have not found

evil in thee since the day of thy coming unto me unto this day:

nevertheless the lords

favour thee not.

7. Wherefore now return, and

go in peace, that thou displease not the lords of the Philistines.

8. And David said unto Achish.

But what have I done? and what hast thou found in thy

servant so long as I have been with thee unto this day.

that I may not go fight against

the enemies of my lord the king?

9. And Achish answered and

said to David.

I know that

thou art good in my sight. as an angel of God:

notwithstanding the

princes of the Philistines have said. He shall

not go up with us

to the battle.

10. Wherefore now rise up early in the morning

with thy master's servants that are come with thee:

and as soon as ye be up early in the morning, and have light,

depart.

11. So David and his men rose up early to depart in the morning, to return

into the land of the

Philistines. And the

Philistines went up to Jezreel.

CHAPTER 30

1. And it came to pass,

when David and his men were come to Ziklaa

on the third day, that the Amalekites had

invaded the south, and

Ziklag, and smitten Ziklag.

and burned it with fire:

2. And had taken the women captives, that were

therein: they slew not any, either great or small, but carried them away. and went on their way.

So David and his men came to. the city, and, behold, it was burned with fire; and their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, were taken captives.

4. Then David and the people that were

with him lifted up their voice and

wept, until they had no more power to weep.

5 And David's two wives

were taken captives, Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail

the wife of Nabal the Carmelite. And David was areatly distressed; for the people

spake of stoning him, because the soul of all the people was grieved.

every man for his sons and for his daughters:

but David encouraged himself in the LORD his God.

7 And David

said to Abiathar the priest.

Ahimelech's son, I pray thee,

brina me hither

the ephod. And Abiathar brought thither the ephod to David.

8 And David inquired at the LORD, saying.

Shall I pursue after this troop? shall I overtake them?

And he answered him. Pursue: for thou shalt surely

overtake them, and without fail recover all.

9. So David went he

and the six hundred men that were with him, and

came to the brook

Besor, where those that were left behind staved.

10. But David pursued, he and four hundred men; for

two hundred abode behind, which were so faint that they could not

go over the brook Besor.

11. And they found an Egyptian in the field.

and brought him to David, and aave him bread.

and he did eat: and they made him drink water:

12. And they gave him a piece of a cake of figs, and two clusters of raisins: and when he had eaten, his spirit came again to him:

for he had eaten

no bread, nor drunk any

water, three

days and three nights.

13. And David said unto him, To whom belongest thou?

and whence art thou?

This is David's spoil.

21. And David came to

And he said. I am a young man of Egypt. servant to an Amalekite: and my master left me, **because** three days agone ■ I fell sick. 14 We made an invasion upon the south of the Cherethites, and upon the coast which belongeth to Judah, and upon the south of Caleb; and we burned Ziklaa with fire. 15. And David said to him. ■ Canst thou bring me down to this company? And he said. Swear unto me by God, that l thou wilt neither kill me. nor deliver me into the hands of my master, and I will bring thee down to this company. 16. And when he had brought him down, behold. they were spread abroad upon all the earth. eating and drinking. and dancina, because of all the great spoil that they had taken out of the land of the Philistines. and out of the land of Judah. 17. And David smote them from the twilight even unto the evening of the next day: and there escaped not a man of them, save four hundred young men. which rode upon camels, and fled. 18. And David recovered all that the Amalekites had carried away: and

David rescued

the two hundred men. which were so faint that they could not follow David, whom they had made also to abide at the brook Besor: and they went forth to meet David, and to meet the people that were with him: and when David came **near** to the people. he saluted them. 22 **Then** answered all the wicked men and men of Belial, of those that went with David, and said, Because they went not with us, we will not give them aught of the spoil that we have recovered, SQVE to every man his wife and his children, that they may lead them away, and depart. 23. Then said David, Ye shall not do so, my brethren, with that which the LORD hath given us, who hath preserved us, and delivered the company that came against us into our hand. 24. For who will hearken unto you in this matter? but as his part is that goeth down to the battle, so *shall* his part be that tarrieth by the stuff: they shall part alike. 25. And it was so from that day forward, that he made it a statute and an ordinance his two wives for Israel unto this day. 19. And there was nothing lacking 26. **And** when David came to Ziklag, he to them, neither small nor great, sent of the spoil unto neither sons nor daughters, neither the elders of Judah. spoil, nor any thing that they had taken to them: David recovered all. even to his friends. ■ 20. And David took all saying, Behold ■ I the flocks and the a present for you of the spoil of the herds, which they drave before enemies of the LORD: those other cattle, and said.

27 To them which were in Beth-el. and to them which were in south Ramoth. and to them which were in Jattir. 28 And to them which were in Arger. and to them which were in Siphmoth. and to them which were in Eshtemoa. 29 And to them which were in Bachal. and to them which were in the cities of the Jerahmeelites, and to them which were in the cities of the Kenites. 30. And to them which were in Hormah. and to them which were in Chorashan. and to them which were in Athach. 31. And to them which were in

CHAPTER 31

■ 1 1. Now the Philistines fought against

Hebron, and to all the places.

where David himself and his

men were wont to haunt

Israel: and the men of Israel fled from

before the Philistines and fell down

slain in mount Gilboa.

2. And the Philistines followed hard upon Saul and upon his sons:

and the Philistines

slew Jonathan, and Abinadab, and Melchishua

Saul's sons.

3. And the battle went sore against

Saul, and the archers hit him; and he

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wounded of the archers

4. Then said Saul unto

his armour-bearer.

Draw thy sword, and

thrust me through therewith:

lest these uncircumcised

come and thrust me through. and abuse me. But

his armour-bearer would not for

he was sore

afraid. Therefore Saul took

a sword, and fell upon it.

5. And when

his armour-bearer

saw that Saul was dead, he fell likewise upon his sword, and died with him. So Saul died, and his three sons. and his armour-bearer, and all his men, that same day together.

7 And when the men of Israel that were on the other side of the valley, and they that were on the other side Jordan.

saw that the men of Israel fled, and that

Saul and his sons were dead, they forsook

the cities, and fled; and the Philistines came and

dwelt in them

8 And it came to pass. on the morrow, when

the Philistines came to

strip the slain, that

they found Saul and his three

sons fallen in mount Gilboa.

And they cut off his head. and stripped off his armour.

and sent into the land of the Philistines round about.

to publish if in the house of their idols, and among the people.

10. And they put his

armour in the house of Ashtaroth: and they fastened his body

to the wall of Beth-shan. 11 And when the

inhabitants of Jabesh-gilead heard of that which the

Philistines had done to Saul: 12 All the valiant men

Grose, and went all night.

and took the body of Saul and the hodies of

his sons from the wall of Bethshan, and came to Jabesh.

and burnt them there

13. And they

took their bones, and buried them under a tree

at Jabesh, and fasted seven days.

THE WAY OF SALVATION

- 1. All Have Sinned. Romans 3:23
- 2. Sin Brings Death. Romans 6:23
- 3. Eternal Life Through Jesus Christ. Romans 6:23b
- 4. *Confess and Believe*. Romans 10:9, 10
- 5. Ask Jesus to Save You. Romans 10:13

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1. Now it came to pass
- after the death of Saul, when
- David was
- returned from the slaughter of the Amalekites.
- and David had
- abode two days in Ziklag:
 - 2. It came even to pass on the third day, that, behold,
- a man came

out of the camp from Saul

- | with his clothes rent. and earth upon his
- **head**: and so it was, when he came to David, that he fell to the earth, and did obeisance.
- And David said unto him. ■ From whence comest thou?
- And he said unto him.
- Out of the camp of Israel ■ am I escaped.
 - 4. And David said unto him, How went the matter? I pray thee. tell me. And he answered, That
- the people are
- fled from the battle, and
- many of the people also
- | Qre fallen and
- dead: and Saul and
- Jonathan his son
- are dead also.
- 5. And David said unto the young man that told him.
- How knowest thou that
- Saul and Jonathan his son
- be dead?
- 6. And the young man that told him
- said. As I happened
- by chance upon mount
- Gilboa, behold,
- Saul leaned upon his
- spear; and, lo.
- the chariots and horsemen
- followed hard after
- him.
- 7. And when he looked behind him.
- he saw me, and called unto me. And I answered. Here am I.
- And he said unto me.
- Who art thou? And

- I answered him.
- I am an Amalekite.
- He said unto me again. Stand, I pray thee, upon me, and
 - slay me: for anguish is come upon me.

because my life is yet whole in me.

- 10. So I stood upon him, and
- slew him, because
- I was sure that
- he could not live
 - after that he was fallen:
- and I took the crown that was upon his head.
 - and the
- bracelet that was on his arm.
- and have
- brought them hither
- unto my lord. 11. Then David took hold on
- his clothes, and rent
- them: and likewise all the men that were with him:
- 12 And they
- mourned, and wept,
- and fasted until even, for

Saul, and for Jonathan his son, and for the people of the LORD, and for the house of Israel; because they were fallen by the sword.

- 13. And David said unto the young man that told him,
- Whence art thou? And he answered. I am
 - the son of a stranger.
 - an Amalekite.

- 14. And David said unto him.
- How wast thou not afraid
- to stretch forth thine hand to
- destroy the LORD's anointed?
- 15. And David called
- one of the young men, and
- said, Go near, and
- fall upon him. And he smote him that he died.
- And David said unto him,
- Thy blood be upon
- thy head: for
- thy mouth hath
- testified against thee, saying.
 - I have slain the LORD's anointed.
 - 17. And David lamented

with this lamentation

over Saul and over Jonathan his son:

18. (Also he bade them teach the children of Judah the use of the bow: behold, it is written in the book of Jasher.)

■ 19. The beauty of Israel

is slain upon thy high places:

how are the mighty fallen! 20. Tell it not in Gath.

publish if not in the

streets of Askelon:

lest the daughters of the Philistines rejoice.

> lest the daughters of the uncircumcised triumph.

21. Ye mountains of Gilboa.

let there be no dew.

neither let there be

rain, upon you, nor fields of offerings:

for there the shield of the

mighty is vilely

cast away, the shield of Saul,

as though he had not **been anointed** with oil

22. From the blood of the slain, from the fat of the mighty, the bow of Jonathan turned not back, and the sword of Saul returned not empty.

23. Saul and Jonathan were lovely and pleasant in their lives, and in their death

they were not divided: they were

swifter than eagles, they were stronger than lions.

24. Ye daughters of Israel,

weep over Saul, who clothed you in scarlet, with other delights, who put on ornaments of gold upon your apparel. 25. How are the mighty fallen in the midst of the battle! O Jonathan, thou wast slain in thine high places.

26. I am distressed for thee, my brother Jonathan: very pleasant hast thou been unto me:

thy love to me was wonderful, passing

the love of women.

27. How are the mighty fallen, and the weapons | ■ | of war perished!

CHAPTER 2

And it came to pass.

after this, that

David inquired of

the LORD, saying,

Shall I go up into any of the cities of

Judah? And the LORD

said unto him.

Go up. And David said,

Whither shall I go up? And he said,

Unto Hebron.

So David went up thither,

and his two wives also.

Ahinoam the Jezreelitess, and Abigail Nabal's wife the Carmelite.

And his men that were with him. did David bring up, every man with his household:

and they dwelt in the cities of 8 Hebron.

And the men of

Judah came, and there they anointed David king

over the house of Judah.

And they told David, saying,

That the men of

Jabesh-gilead were

they that buried Saul. And David sent

messengers unto the men of Jabesh-gilead.

and said unto them. Blessed be ye of the

LORD, that ye have

shewed this

kindness unto

vour lord. even unto

Saul, and have buried him.

6. And now the LORD shew kindness and

truth unto you: and I also will requite you this kindness,

because ve have done this thing.

7. **Therefore** now let your hands be strengthened, and be ye

valiant: for your master

Saul is dead, and

also the house of Judah have

anointed me king over them.

- 8. But Abner the son of Ner.
 captain of Saul's host,
 took Ish-bosheth the
 son of Saul, and brought
 - him over to Mahanaim;
- 9. And made him king over Gilead, and over the Ashurites, and over Jezreel, and over Ephraim, and over Benjamin, and
- over all Israel.
- 10. Ish-bosheth Saul's son ■ was forty years old when he
- began to reign over Israel,
 and reigned two years.

■ But the house of

- Judah followed David.
- 11. **And** the time that
- David was king in Hebron
- OVEI the house of
- Judah was
- seven years
- and six months.
- 12. And Abner the son of Ner.
 and the servants of
- Ish-bosheth the son of Saul, went out from Mahanaim to Gibeon.
 - 13. And Joab the son of Zeruiah,
- and the servants of
- David, went out, and
- met together by the pool of
 - Gibeon: and they sat down, the one on the one side of the pool, and the other on the other side of the pool.
- 14. And Abner said to ■ Joab, Let the young
- I Jodb, Let the young
- play before us. And Joab said, Let them arise.
- 15. **Then there** arose and
- went over by number
- twelve of Benjamin,

which *pertained* to Ish-bosheth the son of Saul,

- and twelve of the servants of David.
- 16. And they caught
- every one his fellow by the head, and
- thrust his sword in his fellow's side; so they
- fell down together:

wherefore that place was called Helkath-hazzurim,

- which is in Gibeon.
- 17. And there was a very sore battle that day:
- and Abner was beaten, and the men of Israel, before the servants of David
 - 18. And there were
- three sons of Zeruiah
- there, Joab, and
- Abishai, and Asahel: and Asahel was as light of

and Asahel was as light of foot as a wild roe.

- 19. And Asahel pursued
- after Abner; and in going he
- turned not to the right hand nor to the left from
- | nor to the left from ■ | following Abner.
 - 20. Then Abner looked behind him, and said, *Art* thou Asahel? And he answered, I am.
 - 21. And Abner said
- to him, Turn thee

- aside to thy right hand or to thy left. and lay thee hold on one of the young men, and take thee his armour.
- But Asahel would not turn aside from following of him.
- 22. And Abner said
- again to Asahel,
- Turn thee
- **aside** from following me:
- wherefore should I smite thee to the ground?
- how then
- | should | hold up my
- face to
- Joab thy brother?
- 23. Howbeit he refused to
- turn aside: wherefore
- Abner with the hinder
 end of the spear smote
- him under the fifth rib, that the spear came out behind him:
- and he fell down
 - there, and died in the same place: and it came to pass, that as many as came to the place where Asahel fell down and died stood still.
- 24. Joab also and
- Abishai pursued after
- Abner: and the sun went down when

they were come to the hill of Ammah, that lieth before Giah by the way of the wilderness of Gibeon.

25. And the children of Benjamin gathered themselves together after Abner, and became one troop, and stood on the top of an hill.

26. Then Abner called

to Joab, and said.

Shall the sword devour for

ever? knowest thou not that

■ it will be bitterness

■ in the latter

end? how long shall it be then, ere thou bid the people return from following their brethren?

27. And Joab said, As God liveth, unless thou hadst spoken, surely then in the morning the people had gone up every one from following his brother.

28. So Joab blew a trumpet, and all the people

stood still, and

pursued afterIsrael no more, neither

fought they any more.

29. And Abner and his men walked all that night through the plain, and passed over Jordan, and went through all Bithron, and they came to Mahanaim.

30. And Joab returned from following Abner: and when he had gathered all the people together.

there lacked of David's servants nineteen men

■ 31 **But** the servants of David had smitten of Benjamin, and

of Abner's men, so that three hundred and

threescore men died.

32. And they took up

Asahel, and buried him

in the sepulchre of his father, which was in Bethlehem. And Joab and his men went all night,

■ and they

came to Hebron

at break of day.

CHAPTER 3

1. Now there was long war
 between the house of Saul
 and the house of

and the house of David: but David

waxed stronger
 and stronger, and the house of Saul
 waxed weaker and weaker

2. And unto David weresons born in Hebron:

and his firstborn was Amnon, of Ahinoam the Jezreelitess;
3. And his second, Chileab, of Abigail the wife of Nabal the Carmelite; and the third, Absalom the son of Maacah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur;
4. And the fourth Adoniiah the son

 And the fourth, Adonijah the son of Haggith; and the fifth, Shephatiah the son of Abital;

5. And the sixth, Ithream, by Eglah David's wife. These were born to David in Hebron.

■ 6. **And** it came to pass,

while there was war between the house of Saul and the house of David, that

Abner made himself strongfor the house of Saul.

■ 7. And Saul had a

Concubine, whose name was
Rizpah, the daughter of Aiah:

and Ish-bosheth said to
 Abner, Wherefore hast
 thou gone in unto my

father's concubine?

8. Then was Abner very wroth for the words of lsh-bosheth, and said.

■ Am I a dog's head,
Which against Judah do

shew kindness this day unto the house of Saul

thy father, to his brethren, and to his friends,

and have not deliveredthee into the hand of David,

that thou chargest me to-day with a fault concerning this woman?

9. So do God to Abner, and more also, except, as the LORD hath sworn to David, even so I do to him;

10. To translate the kingdom from the

house of Saul, and to set up the throne of David over Israel and over Judah, from Dan even to Beer-sheba.

11. And he could not answer Abner a word again.

■ because he feared him.

12. And Abner sentmessengers to David

on his behalf,

saying, Whose is the land? saying also,

■ Make thy league

with me, and, behold, my hand shall be with thee,
 to bring about

■ to bring about■ all Israel unto thee.

■ 13. And he said, Well:

■ I will make a league with thee:

but one thing I require of thee, that is, Thou shalt not see my face, except thou first

bring Michal Saul's daughter,
when thou comest

to see my face.

14. And David sent messengers to

■ Ish-bosheth Saul's son, saying,
■ Deliver me my wife Michal,

which I espoused to *me* for an hundred foreskins of the Philistines.

15. And Ish-bosheth sent, and took her from her husband, even from Phaltiel the son of Laish.

■ 16. And her husband

■ went with her along

weeping behind her to

Bahurim. Then said Abner unto him, Go, return. And he returned.

17. And Abner had communication with the elders of Israel, saying,

Ye sought for David

in times past

■ to be king over you:
■ 18. Now then do it: for the

18. Now then do it: for the
 LORD hath spoken of
 David, saying, By the

■ hand of my servant

■ David I will save my people

Israel out of the hand of the Philistines, and out of the hand of all their enemies.

19. And Abner also spake in the

ears of Benjamin: and Abner went also to speak in the ears of David in Hebron all that seemed good to Israel, and that seemed good to the whole house of Benjamin.

20. So Abner came

to David to Hebron, and twenty men with him.

And David made Abner and the men that were with him a feast.

■ 21. And Abner

■ said unto David,

■ | | Will arise and go, and will

gather all Israel unto my lord

the king, that they may make a league with thee, and that thou mayest reign over all that thine heart desireth.

■ And David sent Abner

away; and he went

■ in peace.

22. And, behold, the servants of David

and Joab came from
 pursuing a troop, and
 brought in a great spoil with

them: but

Abner was not with David in Hebron; for he had sent him away, and he was gone in peace. 23. When Joab

and all the host that was with him were come,

■ they told Joab, saying,

Abner the son of Ner came to the king.

and he hath

sent him away, and he is gone

■ in peace.

24. Then Joab came to the king, and said,

What hast thou done? behold.

Abner came unto thee; why is it that

■ thou hast

sent him away, and he is quite gone?

25. Thou knowest Abner

the son of Ner, that he

came to deceive thee,

and to know thy going out and thy coming in, and to know all that thou doest.

26. And when

Joab was come out from David, he sent messengers after

Abner, which brought him again from the well of Sirah:

but David knew it not.

27 And when Abner was

returned to Hebron.

Joab took him aside in the gate to speak with him

quietly, and smote him there under the fifth rib that he died.

for the blood of Asahel

his brother.

28. And afterward

when David heard it.

he said, I and my kingdom

are guiltless before the LORD for ever from the blood of Abner

the son of Ner:

29. Let it rest on the head of

Joab. and on all his father's house: and let there not fail from the house of Joab one that hath an issue. or that is a leper, or that leaneth on a staff, or that falleth on the sword. or that lacketh bread.

30. So Joab, and

Abishai his brother

slew Abner, because he had slain their brother

Asahel at Gibeon in the battle

31. And David said to Joab, and

to all the people that were with him. Rend your clothes, and gird you with sackcloth, and

mourn before Abner, And king David himself followed the bier.

32. And they buried

Abner in Hebron: and the king lifted up his voice, and

wept at the grave of Abner; and all the people wept.

33. And the king lamented over Abner, and said. Died Abner as a fool dieth?

34. Thy hands were not bound, nor thy feet put into fetters: as a man falleth before wicked men. so fellest thou. And all the people wept again over him.

35. And when all

the people came to cause David to eat meat while it was yet day.

David sware, saving.

So do God to me. and more also

if I taste bread, or ought else,

till the sun be down.

36. And all the people took notice of it, and it pleased them: as

whatsoever the king did pleased all the people.

37. For all the people and all Israel

understood that day

that it was not of the kina to slav Abner the son of Ner.

> 38. And the king said unto his servants.

Know ve not that

there is a prince and

a great man fallen

this day in Israel?

39. **And** I am this day weak, though anointed king; and these men the sons of Zeruiah be too hard for me:

the LORD shall reward the doer of evil according

to his wickedness.

CHAPTER 4

1. And when Saul's son heard that Abner was

dead in Hebron.

his hands were feeble. and all the Israelites were troubled.

> 2. And Saul's son had two men that were captains of bands: the name of the one was Baanah, and the name of the other Rechab, the sons of Rimmon. a Beerothite, of the children of Benjamin: (for Beeroth also was reckoned to Benjamin.

3. And the Beerothites fled to Gittaim, and were sojourners there until this day.)

4. And Jonathan, Saul's son, had a son that was

lame of his feet. He was five vears old when the tidinas came of Saul and Jonathan out of

Jezreel, and his nurse took him up,

and fled: and it came to pass, as she made haste to flee, that

he fell, and became lame. And his name was

■ Mephibosheth.

■ 5. And the sons of

Rimmon the Beerothite, Rechab and Baanah, went, and

came about the heat of the day

■ to the house of

Ish-bosheth, who lay on a bed at noon.

6. And they came thither into the midst of the house.

as though they would have fetched wheat; and they smote

fetched wheat; and they smote him under the fifth *rib*: and Rechab and Baanah his brother escaped.

7. For when they came into the house, he lay on his bed in his bedchamber,

and they smote him, and

slew him, and beheaded him, and took his head,

and gat them away through the plain all night.

8. And they brought the head of Ishbosheth

unto David to Hebron,

and said to the king,

■ Behold the head of

Ishbosheth the son of Saul
thine enemy, which sought

thine enemy, which sought thy life; and the LORD hath avenged my lord the king this day of Saul, and of his seed.

9. And David answered
Rechab and Baanah his brother,
the sons of Rimmon the Beerothite,
and said unto them, As the LORD
liveth, who hath redeemed my
soul out of all adversity.

10. When one told

■ me, saying, Behold,

Saul is dead, thinking to have brought good

■ idings, I took hold of him, and

slew him in Ziklag,

■ who thought that

I would have given hima reward for his tidings:

11. How much more, when wicked men have slain a

righteous person in his own house upon his bed? shall I not therefore now require his blood of your hand, and take you away from the earth?

12 And David commanded

his young men,

and they slew them, and cut off their hands and their

■ feet, and hanged

■ *them* up over the pool

in Hebron. But they took the head of Ish-bosheth.

|■| the head of Ish-bos
■| and buried it in the

sepulchre of Abner in Hebron.

CHAPTER 5

1. Then came all the tribes of Israel to David unto Hebron, and spake.

saying, Behold,

we are thy bone and thy flesh.

 Also in time past, when Saul was king over us, thou wast he that leddest out and broughtest in Israel: and the LORD said to thee, Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and thou shalt be a captain over Israel.

3. So all the elders of Israel came to the king to Hebron;

and king David made a league with them in Hebron before the LORD:

and they anointed Davidking over Israel.

4. David was thirty years old when he began to reign,

and he reigned forty years.

5. In Hebron he reigned

over Judah seven years and six months: and

in Jerusalem he reigned

■ thirty and

three years over all Israel and Judah.

6. And the king and his men went to Jerusalem

unto the Jebusites,

the inhabitants of the land:

■ which spake unto David,

saying, Except thou take away the blind and the

lame, thou shalt not come in hither: thinking, David cannot come in hither.

7 Nevertheless David

took the strong hold of

Zion: the same is the city of David.

8. And David said on that day,

Whosoever getteth up to

the autter, and

smiteth the Jebusites, and the lame and the blind that are hated of David's soul. he

shall be chief and captain.

Wherefore they said,

The blind and the

lame shall not come

into the house.

So David dwelt in the fort.

and called it the city of David. And David built round

about from Millo and inward. 10. And David went on, and

grew great, and the LORD God of hosts

was with him.

11. And Hiram king of

Tyre sent messengers to David, and cedar

trees, and carpenters.

and masons: and they

built David an house.

12. And David perceived that the LORD had established him king over Israel, and that he had exalted his kingdom for his people Israel's sake.

13. And David took him more concubines

and wives out of Jerusalem. after he was come from Hebron.

and there were yet

sons and daughters born to David

14. And these be the names of those that were born unto him in Jerusalem; Shammuah, and Shobab, and Nathan, and Solomon, 15. Ibhar also, and Elishua.

and Nepheg, and Japhia,

16. And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphalet.

17. But when the Philistines

heard that they had ■ anointed David king over Israel, all the Philistines came up to seek David: and David heard of it, and went down to the hold. 18. The Philistines also

came and spread themselves in the valley

of Rephaim. 19. And David inquired

of the LORD, saving, Shall I go up to the Philistines?

will thou deliver them into mine hand? And the LORD

said unto David. Go up: for I will doubtless deliver

the Philistines into thine hand. 20. And David came to

Baal-perazim, and David

smote them there, and said.

The LORD hath broken forth upon mine enemies before me, as the breach of waters. Therefore he called the name of that

place Baal-perazim.

21. **And** there

they left their images, and David and his men

burned them.

22. And the Philistines

came up vet

> again, and spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.

23. And when David inquired of the LORD.

he said. Thou shalt not go up: but fetch a compass behind them, and

come upon them over against the mulberry trees.

24. And let it be.

when thou hearest

the sound of a going

in the tops of the mulberry

trees, that then thou shalt bestir thyself: for

then shall the LORD go out before thee, to smite

the host of

the Philistines.

And David did so.

as the LORD had

commanded him: and smote the Philistines

from Geba until thou come to Gazer

CHAPTER 6

- | 1. Again, David
- gathered together all the chosen men of Israel,
- the chosen men of Israel, thirty thousand.
 - 2. And David arose.
- **and went** with all the people that were with him from Baale of Judah,
- to bring up from thence
- the ark of God, whose name is called by the name of the LORD of hosts that dwelleth between the cherubims.
- 3. And they set the ark of God upon a new cart, and
- brought it out of the houseof Abinadab that was in Gibeah:
- and Uzzah and Ahio, the sons of Abinadab, drave the new cart.
- 4. And they brought it out of the house of Abinadab which was at Gibeah, accompanying the ark of God: and Ahio went before the ark.
 5. And David and all the house
 - of Israel
- played before the LORD on
 all manner of instruments
 made of fir wood, even on harps,
- and on psalteries, and on timbrels, and on cornets, and on cymbals.

 6. And when they came to
- Nachon's threshingfloor,Uzzah put forth his hand
- to the ark of God,
- and took hold of it;
 for the oxen shook it.
- 7. And the anger of
- the LORD was kindled
- against Uzzah; and
- God smote him there
- for his error; and there he died by the ark of God.
 - 8. And David was
- displeased, because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzzah: and he called the name of the place Perezuzzah to this day.
- 9. **And** David
- was afraid of the
- LORD that day.
- and said, How shall the ark
- come to me?

- 10. **So David** would not remo ve the ark of the LORD unto him into the city of David: but David
- carried it aside into the house of Obed-edom the Gittite.
- 11. And the ark of the LORD continued in the house
- of Obed-edom the Gittite
- three months: and the LORD blessed Obed-edom.
 - and all his household.
- 12. And it was told king
- David, saying,
- The LORD hath blessed

the house of

- Obed-edom, and all that pertaineth unto him, because of the ark of God.
- So David went and
- brought up the ark of God from the house of Obed-edom
 - into the city of David
- with gladness.
- 13. **And** it was *so*, that
- when they that bare the ark of the LORD
- had gone six paces, he sacrificed oxen
- he sacrificed oxen ■ and fatlings.
- 14. And David danced before the LORD
 - with all his might:
- with all *nis* mig
- was girded with a
- linen ephod.
 - 15. So David and all the house of Israel brought up the ark of the LORD with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet.
- 16. And as the ark of the LORD came into the city of David,
- Michal Saul's daughter looked through a window, and
- saw king
- David leaping
- and dancing before the LORD;
- and she despised him
- in her heart.
 - 17. And they brought in
 - the ark of the LORD, and set it in his place,
 - I in the midst of the

tabernacle that David had nitched for it:

and David offered burnt

offerings and peace offerings before the LORD.

18 And as soon as David had made an end of offering burnt offerings and peace offerings, he blessed the people in the name of the LORD of hosts.

19. And he dealt among all the people, even among the whole multitude of Israel, as well to the women as men, to every one a cake of bread, and a good piece of flesh, and a flagon of wine. So all the people departed every one to his house.

20 Then David returned to bless his household

And Michal the daughter of Saul

came out

to meet David, and said, How glorious was

the king of Israel to-day.

who uncovered himself to-day in the eyes of the

handmaids of his servants

as one of the vain fellows. shamelessly uncovereth himself!

21. And David said unto Michal.

It was before the LORD,

which chose me before thy father, and before all his house, to appoint me ruler over the people of the LORD, over Israel: therefore will I play before the LORD

■ 22 And I will yet be ■ more vile than thus.

and will be

base in mine own sight:

and of the maidservants which thou hast spoken of,

of them shall I be

had in honour.

23. Therefore

■ Michal the daughter of Saul

had no child unto

■ the day of her death.

CHAPTER 7

| ■ | 1. And it came to pass,

when the king sat in his house, and

the LORD had given him rest round about

from all his enemies:

That the king said unto Nathan the prophet. See now.

I dwell in an house of cedar, but the ark of God dwelleth within curtains.

> And Nathan said to the king. Go. do all that is in thine heart; for the LOBD is with thee

4. And it came to pass that night, that the word of the LORD came unto Nathan, sayina,

5 Go and

tell my servant

David. Thus saith the LORD, Shalt thou build

me an house for me

to dwell in?

6. Whereas I have not dwelt in *anv* house

since the time that

I brought up the children of Israel out of Egypt, even to this day, but have walked in a tent and in a tabernacle.

> 7. In all the places wherein I have walked with all the children of Israel spake I a word with any of the tribes of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people Israel, saving, Why build ve not me an house of cedar?

8. Now therefore so shall thou

say unto my servant

David, Thus saith the LORD of hosts

I took thee from the sheepcote, from

following the

sheep, to be ruler **OVE** my people, over

8

9 And I was with thee

whithersoever thou wentest. and have cut off all thine enemies out of thy sight,

and have made thee

a areat name, like unto the name of the great men that are in the earth.

10. Moreover I will appoint

| a place for my people

Israel, and will plant them, that they may dwell in a place of their own, and move no more:

neither shall the children of wickedness afflict them

- any more, as beforetime,
 - 11. And as since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel, and have caused thee to rest from all thine enemies. Also the LORD telleth thee that he will make thee an house.
- 12. **And when** thy days be fulfilled, and
- thou shalt sleep with thy fathers, I will set up thy
- seed after thee, which shall proceed out of thy bowels.
- and I will establish ■ his kingdom.
- 13. He shall build an house for my name, and I will stablish
 - the throne of his kingdom for ever.

 14. I will be his father, and
 - he shall be my son.
- If he commit iniquity,
 I will chasten him with
 the rod of men, and with the
- stripes of the children of men:

 15. But my mercy shall not depart away from him,

 as I took it from Saul.

whom I put away before thee.

- 16. And thine house and thy kingdom shall be established for ever before thee:
- thy throne shall be established for ever.
- 17. According to all these words, and
- according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak
- unto David.
- 18. **Then** went king
- David in, and
- sat before the LORD, and he
 said, Who am I, O Lord
 GOD? and what is my house.
- that thou hast brought me hitherto?
 - 19. And this was yet a small thing in thy sight, O Lord GOD; but thou hast

spoken also of thy servant's house for a great while to come. And is this the manner of man, O Lord GOD? 20. And what can David say more unto thee? for thou, Lord GOD, knowest thy servant.

- 21. For thy word's sake, and according to thine own heart,
- hast thou done all these great things, to make
- thy servant know them.
 22. Wherefore thou art
- great, O LORD God: for there is none like thee,

■ neither is there any God

- **beside thee**, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
- 23. And what one
- **nation** in the earth
- is like thy people, even like
- Israel, whom God went
- to redeem for a people to himself, and to make him a name.
 - and to do for you great things and terrible, for thy land, before thy people, which thou redeemedst to thee from Egypt, from the nations and their gods?
 - 24. For thou hast confirmed to thyself thy people Israel to be a people unto thee for ever: and thou, LORD, art become their God.
- 25. And now, O LORD God, the word that thou hast spoken concerning thy servant, and
- concerning his house, establish it for ever, and do
- as thou hast said.

 26. And let thy name be
- magnified for ever, saying. The LORD of hosts is the God over Israel: and let the house of thy servant David be established before thee.
- 27. For thou, O LORD of hosts, God of Israel,
 hast revealed to thy
- servant, saying, I will build thee an house:

therefore hath thy servant found in his heart to pray this prayer unto thee.

28. And now, O Lord GOD, thou art that God, and thy words be true, and thou hast promised this

- goodness unto thy servant:
- 29 Therefore now let
- it please thee to
- bless the house of thy
- servant, that it may continue for ever before thee:
- for thou. O Lord GOD.
- hast spoken it: and with thy blessing
- let the house of thy servant
- be blessed for ever.

CHAPTER 8

- 1 And after this it came to pass that
- David smote the
- Philistines, and
- subdued them:

and David look Metheg-ammah out of the hand of the Philistines

- 2. And he smote Moab, and measured them with a line, casting them down to the ground; even with two lines measured he to put to death, and with one full line to keep alive.
- And so the Moabites ■ became David's
- **servants**, and brought gifts.
 - David smote also Hadadezer. the son of Rehob, king of Zobah. as he went to recover his border. at the river Euphrates
- 4. And David took from him
- a thousand chariots, and seven hundred horsemen,
- and twenty thousand
- footmen: and David
- houghed all the chariot
- horses, but reserved of them for
- an hundred chariots
- 5. And when the Syrians of Damascus came to succour Hadadezer king of Zobah.
- David slew of the Syrians two and
- twenty thousand men.
- 6. Then David put garrisons in Syria of Damascus: and
- the Syrians became
- servants to David, and brought gifts. And the
 - LORD preserved David

whithersoever he went.

- And David took the shields of gold that were on the servants of Hadadezer, and brought them to Jerusalem.
- 8. And from Betah, and from Berothai. cities of Hadadezer, king David took exceeding much brass.
- 9. When Toi king of Hamath heard that David had smitten all the host of Hadadezer.
- 10. Then Toi sent Joram his son unto king David, to salute him, and to bless him, because he had fought against Hadadezer, and smitten him: for Hadadezer had wars with Toi. And Joram brought with him
- vessels of silver. and vessels of
- gold, and vessels of brass.
- 11. Which also king David did dedicate unto the LORD.

with the silver and gold that he had dedicated of all nations which he subdued:

- 12. Of Syria, and of Moab, and of the children of Ammon, and of the Philistines, and of Amalek, and of the spoil of Hadadezer. son of Rehob, king of Zobah.
- 13. And David gat him a name when he returned from smiting of the Syrians in the valley of salt, being eighteen thousand men.
- 14. And he put garrisons in Edom; throughout all Edom put he garrisons, and all they of Edom became David's servants.
- And the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.

- 15. And David rejaned over all Israel: and David executed judgment and
- justice unto all his people. 16. And Joab the son of Zerujah
- was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud was recorder:
- 17. And Zadok the son of Ahitub. and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar

- were the priests; and Sergiah was the scribe:
 - 18. And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over both the Cherethites and the Pelethites;
- and David's sons
 were chief rulers.

CHAPTER 9

- 1 1. And David said.
- Is there yet
- any that is
- left of the house of Saul,
- that I may shew him
- **■** kindness for
- Jonathan's sake?
- 2. And there was of
- the house of Saul a
- servant whose name was
- **Ziba.** And when they had called him unto David, the king
- **said** unto him, *Art* thou Ziba? And he said, Thy servant *is he.*
 - And the king said, Is there not yet any of the house of Saul, that I may shew the kindness of God unto him? And Ziba said unto the king,
- Jonathan hath yet a son, which is lame on his feet.
 - 4. And the king said unto him, Where *is* he? And Ziba said unto the king, Behold,
- he is in the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, in Lo-debar.
- 5. Then king Davidsent, and fetch him

out of the house of Machir, the son of Ammiel, from Lo-debar.

- 6. Now when
- Mephibosheth, the son of Jonathan, the son of Saul,
- | was come unto David,
- he fell on his face, and
- did reverence. And David said, Mephibosheth. And he answered, Behold thy servant!
 - 7. And David said unto him,
- Fear not: for I will surely
- shew thee kindness for
- Jonathan thy father's sake,
 and will restore thee all
- the land of Saul thy father:
 - and thou shalt eat bread

- at my table continually.
- 8. And he bowed himself, and said, What is thy servant, that thou shouldest look upon such a dead dog as I am?
- 9. Then the king called to Ziba, Saul's servant, and
- SQId unto him, I have given unto thy master's son all that pertained to Saul and to all his house.
- 10. Thou therefore,
- and thy sons, and thy
- servants, shall till the
 - shalt bring in the fruits, that thy master's son may have food to eat:
- **but Mephibosheth** thy master's son
- shall eat bread alway
- at my table. Now Ziba
 had fifteen sons and
- twenty servants.
 - 11. Then said Ziba unto the king, According to all that my lord the king hath commanded his servant, so shall thy servant do. As for Mephibosheth, said the king, he shall eat at my table, as one of the king's sons.
 - 12. And Mephibosheth had a young son, whose name was Micha.
- And all that dwelt in the house of Ziba
- were servantsunto Mephibosheth.
- 13. So Mephibosheth
- dwelt in Jerusalem: for he did eat continually
- at the king's table; and
 - was lame on both his feet.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. **And** it came to pass after this, that
- the king of the children
- of Ammon died, and Hanun his son reigned
- Hanun his son
- 2. Then said David, I will
- shew kindness unto
- Hanun the son of Nahash,
- as his father shewed ■ kindness unto me. And
- David sent to comfort

him by the hand of his servants for his father. And David's servants came into the land of the children of Ammon.

3. And the princes of the children

of Ammon said unto Hanun their lord.

Thinkest thou that David doth honour thy father, that he

hath sent comforters unto thee? hath not David rather

sent his servants unto thee.

to search the city, and to spy it out, and to

overthrow it?

4. Wherefore Hanun took David's servants.

and shaved off the one half of

their beards, and cut off their garments in the

middle. even to their buttocks. and sent them away.

5. When they told it unto

David, he

sent to meet them, because the men were greatly

ashamed: and the king

said, Tarry at Jericho until vour beards be

grown, and then return.

6. And when the children of

Ammon saw that they stank before David, the children of Ammon

sent and hired the Syrians

of Beth-rehob and the Syrians of Zoba, twenty thousand footmen, and of king Maacah a thousand men, and of Ish-tob twelve thousand men.

7. And when David

heard of it. •

he sent Joab, and all

the host of the mighty men.

8. And the children of Ammon came out.

and put the battle in array at the entering in of the gate:

and the Syrians of Zoba, and of Rehob, and Ish-lob, and Maacah, were by themselves in the field.

9. When Joab saw

■ I that the front of the

battle was against him before and behind.

he chose of all the choice men of Israel.

and put them in array against the Syrians:

10. And the rest of the people he delivered into the hand of

Abishai his brother. that he might

put them in array

against the children of Ammon.

11. And he said, If the Syrians be too strona

for me, then thou shalt help me: but if the children of

Ammon be too strong for thee, then I will come and

help thee.

12. Be of good courage, and let us play the men for our people, and for the cities of our God: and the LORD do that which seemeth him good.

13. And Joab drew nigh, and the people that were with him. unto the battle against the Syrians: and they fled before him.

14. And when the children of

Ammon saw that the Syrians were

fled, then fled they

GISO before Abishai, and entered into the city.

So Joab returned from the children of

Ammon, and came

to Jerusalem. 15. And when the

Syrians saw that they were smitten before Israel.

they gathered themselves together.

> 16. And Hadarezer sent, and brought out the Syrians that were beyond the river: and they came to Helam; and Shobach the captain

of the host of Hadarezer went before them.

And when it was told David. he gathered all Israel together, and passed over Jordan.

and came to Helam. And the Syrians set themselves in array against ■ David, and fought with him. 18. And the Syrians fled before Israel: and David slew the men of seven hundred chariots of the Syrians, and forty thousand horsemen, and smote Shobach the captain of their host. who died there.

19. And when all

the kings that were servants to Hadarezer

> saw that they were smitten before Israel, they

■ made peace with Israel, and served them. So ■ the Syrians feared to

■ help the children of

Ammon any more.

CHAPTER 11

■ I 1. And it came to pass,

after the year was

expired, at the time when kings go forth to battle, that

■ David sent Joab, and his servants with him, and all Israel;

and they destroyed the children of

Ammon. and besieged Rabbah.

But David tarried still ■ at Jerusalem.

2. And it came to pass

in an eveninatide, that

■ David arose from off

■ his bed, and walked upon

■ | the roof of the king's house:

■ and from the roof

■ he saw a woman washing ■ herself; and the woman

was very beautiful to look upon.

■ 3. And David sent and

inquired after the woman. ■ And *one* said. *Is* not

this Bath-sheba, the daughter of Eliam.

the wife of Urigh the Hittite?

4. And David sent messengers, and took

her: and she came in unto him.

and he lay with her; for she was purified from her uncleanness: and she returned unto her house.

5. And the woman

conceived, and sent

and told David, and said.

I am with child.

6. And David sent to Joab. saying, Send me Uriah the Hittite. And Joab sent Uriah to David.

7 And when I linah was

come unto him.

David demanded of him how Joab did. and

how the people did, and

how the war prospered.

8. And David said to

Uriah, Go down

to thy house, and wash thy feet. And Uriah departed out of the king's house, and there followed him a mess of meat from the king.

9. But Uriah slept at the door of

the king's house with all the servants of his lord, and went not down to his house.

10 And when

thev had

told David, saying, Uriah went not down unto his house.

David said unto Uriah. Camest thou not from thy journey?

why then

didst thou not go down unto thine house?

11. And Uriah said unto David.

The ark, and

Israel, and Judah,

abide in tents; and my lord Joab, and the servants of my lord, are encamped in the open fields:

shall I then go into mine

house, to eat and

to drink, and to

lie with my wife? as thou livest, and as thy soul liveth. I will not do this thing.

12. And David said to Uriah,

Tarry here to-day also,

and tomorrow

I will let thee depart.

So Uriab abode in Jerusalem that day, and the morrow.

13 And when

David had called him, he did eat and drink before him; and he

made him drunk: and at even he went out to lie on his bed with the

servants of his lord.

but went not down

to his house.

14. And it came to pass

in the morning, that

David wrote a letter to Joab, and sent

if by the hand of

Uriah.

15. And he wrote in the letter, saying,

Set ve

Urigh in the forefront of

the hottest battle. and retire ye from him,

that he may be smitten, and die.

16. And it came to pass, when

Joab observed the city, that he assigned Urigh unto a place where he knew

that valiant men were. 17. And the men of the

City went out, and

fought with Joab: and there

fell some of the people of

the servants of David:

and Uriah the Hittite

died also.

18. Then Joab sent and told David all the things

concerning the war:

19. And charged the

messenger, saying, When thou hast made an end

of telling the matters

of the war unto the king.

20. And if so be that

the king's wrath arise, and he say unto thee, Wherefore approached ve so nigh unto the city when ye did fight? knew ye not that they would shoot from the wall?

21. Who smote Abimelech the son of Jerubbesheth? did not a woman

cast a piece of a millstone upon him from the wall, that he died in Thebez? why went ve nigh the wall? then say thou.

Thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

22. So the messenger went, and came and

shewed David all that Joab had sent him for.

23. And the messenger said unto David, Surely the men prevailed against us, and came out unto us into the field, and we were upon them even unto the entering of the gate. 24. And the shooters shot from off the wall upon thy servants; and some of the king's servants be dead, and thy servant Uriah the Hittite is dead also.

25. Then David said

unto the messenger. Thus shalt thou sav unto Joab. Let not this thing displease

thee, for the sword devoureth one as well as another:

make thy battle more strong against the city. and overthrow it: and

encourage thou him.

26. And when the wife of Urigh heard that Urigh

her husband was dead. she mourned for her husband.

27. And when the mourning

was past, David sent and fetched her to his house.

and she became his wife.

and bare him a son.

But the thing that David had done

displeased the LORD.

CHAPTER 12

1. And the LORD sent Nathan unto David.

And he came unto him.

and said unto him.

There were two

men in one city; the one rich, and the

other poor.

2. The rich man had exceeding

many flocks and herds:

and hast

II SAMUEL 12 3. But the poor man had nothing, save one little ewe lamb. which he had bought and nourished up: and it grew up together with him, and with his children; it did eat of his own meat, and drank of his own cup, and lay in his bosom, and was unto him as a daughter. 4. And there came a traveller unto the rich man. and he spared to take of his own flock and of his own herd, to dress for the wayfaring man that was come unto him; but took the poor man's lamb, and dressed it for the man that was come to him. And David's anger **WQS** greatly kindled against the man; and he said to Nathan. As the LORD liveth. the man that hath done this thing shall surely die: 6. And he shall restore the lamb fourfold, because he did this thing, and because he had no pity. ■ 7. And Nathan said to ■ David, Thou art the man. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. I anointed thee king over Israel, and I delivered thee out of the hand of Saul: 8. And I gave thee thy master's house, and thy master's wives into thy bosom, and gave thee the house of **Israel and** of Judah; and if that had been ■ too little. I would moreover ■ have given unto thee such and such things. 9. Wherefore hast thou

despised the commandment of

the LORD, to do evil in his sight?

thou hast killed Uriah

the Hittite with the sword.

taken his wife to be thy wife. and hast slain him with the sword of the children of Ammon. 10. Now therefore the sword shall never depart from thine house; because thou hast despised me, and hast taken the wife of Uriah the Hittite to be thy wife. 11. Thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will raise up evil against thee out of thine own house, and I will take thy wives before thine eyes. and give them unto thy neighbour, and he shall lie with thy wives in the sight of this sun. 12. For thou didst it secretly: but I will do this thing before all Israel, and before the sun. 13. And David said unto Nathan. I have sinned against the LORD. And Nathan said unto David. The LORD also hath put away thy sin; thou shalt not die. 14. Howbeit, because by this deed thou hast given great occasion to the enemies of the LORD to blaspheme. the child also that is born unto thee shall surely die. 15. And Nathan departed unto his house. And the LORD struck the child that Uriah's wife bare unto David, and it was very sick. 16. David therefore besought God for the child: and David fasted, and went in, and lay all night upon the earth. 17. And the elders of his house arose, and went to him, to raise him up

from the earth; but he would not.

on the seventh day, that the child died. And

18. And it came to pass

the servants of David feared to tell him

neither did he eat bread with them.

that the child was dead:

for they said. Behold.

while the child was vet

alive, we spake unto him, and

he would not hearken unto our voice:

how will he then

vex himself, if we tell him that

the child is dead?

19 But when David saw that his servants whispered.

David perceived that the

child was dead: therefore David said unto his servants Is the child dead? And they said. He is dead.

20 Then David grose from the earth

and washed, and anointed himself, and changed his apparel. and came into the house of

the LORD, and worshipped:

then he came to his own house: and when he required, they set bread before him, and

he did eat.

21. Then said his

servants unto him, What thing is this that thou hast done?

thou didst fast and weep for the child.

while it was alive: but when the child was dead, thou

didst rise and eat bread.

22. And he said. While the child was yet alive. I fasted and wept: for I said.

Who can tell whether GOD will be gracious to me.

that the child may live?

23. But now he is dead. wherefore should I fast?

can I bring him back again?

I shall go to him, but he shall not return to me.

24. And David comforted Bath-sheba his wife, and went

in unto her, and lay with her: and she bare a son, and he

called his name Solomon: and the LORD loved him.

25. And he sent by the hand of

■ Nathan the prophet; and he

called his name Jedidiah. because of the LORD.

26. And Joab fought

against Rabbah of the children of

Ammon, and took

the roval city.

27. And Joab sent messengers to David, and

said. I have fought against Rabbah. and have taken the city of waters.

28. Now therefore

aather the rest of the people together.

and encamp against the city, and take it: lest l 6

take the city, and it be called after my name.

29. And David gathered all the people together, and went to Rabbah, and

fought against it, and took it.

30. And he took their king's crown from off his head.

the weight whereof was a talent of gold with the precious stones:

and it was *set* on David's head. And he brought forth

the spoil of the city

in areat abundance. 31. And he brought forth

the people that were therein.

and put them under saws, and under harrows of iron, and under

axes of iron.

and made them pass through the brickkiln:

> and thus did he unto all the cities of the children of Ammon.

So David and all

the people returned unto Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 13

 And it came to pass. after this, that

Absalom the son of David had a fair sister, whose name was Tamar: and

Amnon the son of David

loved her.

2. And Amnon was so

- vexed, that he fell sick for his sister Tamar; for she was a virgin; and Amnon thought it hard for him to do anything to her.

 3. But Amnon had a friend, whose name was
- Jonadab, the son of Shimeah David's brother:

and Jonadab was a very subtil man.

4. And he

- said unto him,
- Why art thou,
 - being the king's son, lean from day to day?
- wilt thou not tell me?

 And Amnon said unto him,
- I love Tamar, my brother Absalom's sister.
 - 5. And Jonadab said unto him, Lay thee down on thy bed, and
- make thyself sick: and when thy father cometh
- to see thee, say unto him, I pray thee,
- let my sister Tamar
- come, and give me meat,

and dress the meat in my sight, that I may see it, and eat it at her hand.

- 6. So Amnon lay down, and made himself sick: and when the king was come to see him, Amnon said unto the king, I pray thee, let Tamar my sister come, and make me a couple of cakes in my sight, that I may eat at her hand.
- 7. Then David sent home to
- I Tamar, saying, Go now
- to thy brother
- Amnon's house,

and dress him meat.

- 8. So Tamar went to her brother Amnon's house; and he was laid down.
- And she took flour, and kneaded it, and
- made cakes in his sight, and did bake the cakes.
 - And she took a pan, and poured them out before him:
- but he refused to eat.

And Amnon said, Have out all men from me. And they went out every man from him.

I 10. And Amnon

- I said unto Tamar.
- Bring the meat into the chamber, that I may eat of thine hand. And Tamar took the cakes which she had made, and brought them into the chamber to Amnon her brother.
- 11. And when she had
- brought them unto him to eat, he took hold of her.
- he took hold of heand said unto her.
- Come lie with me, my sister.
- 12. And she answered him,
- Nay, my brother,
- do not force me; for no such thing ought to be done in Israel: do not thou this folly.
- 13. And I, whither shall I cause my shame to go? and as for thee, thou shalt be as one of the fools in Israel. Now therefore, I pray thee,
- speak unto the king;for he will not withho
 - for he will not withhold me from thee
- me from fnee. ■ 14. Howbeit he would
- not hearken unto her voice:
- **but**, being stronger than she,
- forced her, and lay with her.
- 15. Then Amnon hated
- her exceedingly;
- so that the hatred wherewith he hated her
- was greater than the
- love wherewith he hadloved her. And Amnon
- **said** unto her, Arise,
 - ı be gone.
- 16. And she said unto him,
- There is no cause: this
 evil in sending me away
 is areater than the other
- that thou didst unto me. But he
- would not hearken unto her.

 17. Then he called
- his servant
 - that ministered unto him,
- and said, Put now this woman out from me,
- and bolt the door after her.
- 18. And she had a garment
 of divers colours upon
- her: for with

■ I such robes were the king's daughters that were

virgins apparelled. Then his servant brought her out. and bolted the door after her.

■ 19. And Tamar put ashes

on her head, and rent her qarment of divers colours that was on her, and laid her hand on her head.

and went on crying.

20. And Absalom her brother said unto her.

Hath Amnon thy brother

been with thee? but hold

now thy peace, my sister:

he is thy brother; regard not this thing.

So Tamar remained desolate in her brother

Absolom's house. 21. But when king

David heard of all

these things, he was very wroth.

22. And Absglom spake unto his brother Amnon neither good nor bad: for Absalom

hated Amnon, because he had forced his

sister Tamar.

23. And it came to pass

after two full

years, that

Absalom had

■ sheepshearers in

Baal-hazor, which is beside Ephraim:

and Absalom

invited all the king's sons.

24. And Absalom came to the king, and

said, Behold now, thy servant hath sheepshearers;

let the king, I beseech thee

and his servants go with thy servant.

25. And the kina ■ said to Absalom,

Nay, my son, let us not all now go,

lest we be chargeable

unto thee. And he pressed him: howbeit

he would not go,

but blessed him.

26. Then said Absalom.

If not, I pray thee.

let my brother Amnon

QO with us.

And the king said unto him, Why should he go with thee?

27. But Absalom pressed him. that he let Amnon

and all the king's sons

QO with him.

28 Now Absolom had commanded his

servants, saving.

Mark ve now

when Amnon's heart

is merry with wine, and when

I say unto you, Smite Amnon; then

kill him, fear not: have not I commanded you? be courageous, and be valiant 29. **And the**

servants of Absalom

did unto Amnon

as Absalom had commanded. Then all

the king's sons arose, and every man gat him up upon his mule, and

fled.

30. And it came to pass. while they were in the way, that

tidings came to David, saying, Absalom hath slain all the king's sons,

and there is not one of them left.

31. Then the king arose, and tare his garments, and lay on the earth; and all his servants

stood by with their clothes rent. 32. And Jonadab, the

son of Shimeah David's brother, answered and

said, Let not my lord suppose that they have slain all the young men the king's sons; for

Amnon only is dead: for

by the appointment of

Absalom this hath been determined from

the day that

he forced his sister

Tamar.

33. Now therefore let not my lord

the king take the thing to his heart. to think that all the king's sons are dead: for Amnon only is dead. 34. But Absalom fled. And the young man that kept the watch lifted up his eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came much people by the way of the hill side behind him. 35. And Jonadab said unto the king. Behold, the king's sons come: as thy servant said, so it is.

- 36. And it came to pass,
- as soon as he had
- made an end of
- speaking, that, behold,
- the king's sons came.
- and lifted up their voice
- and wept: and the king
- also and all his servants
- wept very sore.
 - 37. But Absalom fled, and went to Talmai, the son of Ammihud, king of Geshur. And David mourned for his son every day.
- 38. So Absalom fled. and went to Geshur, and
- was there three years.
- 39. And the soul of king ■ David longed to go forth
- unto Absalom: for he
- was comforted
- concerning Amnon, seeing he was dead.
- CHAPTER 14
- 1. Now Joab the son of Zeruiah
- perceived that the
- king's heart was
- toward Absalom.
 - 2. And Joab sent to Tekoah, and
- fetched thence
- a wise woman, and
- said unto her, I pray thee,
- feign thyself to be a mourner, and put on now mourning apparel, and anoint not thyself with oil, but be
- as a woman that had
- a long time mourned
- for the dead:
- 3. And come to the
- king, and speak on
 - this manner
- unto him. So Joab put

- the words in her mouth
- 4 And when the
- woman of Tekoah
- spake to the king, she
 - fell on her face to the ground. and did obeisance, and
- said, Help. O king.
- 5. And the king said unto her, What aileth thee? And she answered
- I am indeed
- a widow woman, and mine husband is dead.
- 6. And thy handmaid
- had two sons, and
- they two
- strove together in the field.
- and there was none to part them, but the
- one smote the other.
- and slew him.
- 7. And, behold, the whole

- family is risen against
- thine handmaid, and they
- said. Deliver him that
- smote his brother, that we may kill him, for the life of his brother whom he slew; and
 - we will destroy the heir also; and so they shall quench my coal which is left.
- and shall not
- leave to my husband
 - neither name nor
- remainder upon the earth.
 - And the kina
- said unto the woman.
- Go to thine house.
- and I will give charge concerning thee.
- 9. And the woman of Tekoah
- said unto the king, My lord, O king,
- the iniquity be on me, and on my father's house:
- and the king and his
- throne be guiltless. 10. And the king said, Whoever saith
 - ought unto thee, bring him to me, and he shall not touch thee any more.
 - 11. Then said she, I pray thee, let the king
- remember the LORD thy God.
 - that thou wouldest not

suffer the revengers of blood to destroy any more, lest they destroy my son. And he said, As the LORD liveth, there shall not one hair of thy son fall to the earth. 12. Then the woman said, Let

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- thine handmaid. I pray thee. speak one word unto my lord the king. And he said. Say on.
- 13. And the woman said. Wherefore then hast thou thought such a thing against the people of God? for
- the king doth speak this thing as one which is faulty, in that the king doth not fetch home again his banished.
- 14. For we must needs die, and are as water spilt on the ground.

which cannot be gathered up again;

- neither doth God respect
- any person: vet doth he devise means, that
- his banished be not expelled from him.
 - 15. Now therefore that
- I am come to
- speak of this thing
- unto my lord
 - the king, it is because
- the people have made me afraid: and thy handmaid said, I will now speak unto the
- king: it may be that the king will perform the request of his handmaid. 16. For the king will hear, to deliver his handmaid out of the
 - hand of the man that would destroy me and my son together out
 - of the inheritance of God. 17. Then thine handmaid said, The word of my lord the king shall now be comfortable:
- for as an angel of ■ God, so is my lord
- the king to discern good and bad: therefore
 - the LORD thy God will be with thee.
 - 18. Then the king answered and said unto the woman, Hide not from me. I

pray thee, the thing that I shall ask thee. And the woman said. Let my lord the king now speak.

19. And the king said,

Is not the hand of

Joab with thee in all this? And the woman answered

and said. As thy soul liveth, my lord the king, none can turn to the right hand or to the left from ought that my lord the king hath spoken: for thy servant Joab, he bade me, and he

out all these words in the mouth of thine handmaid:

To fetch about this form of speech hath thy servant Joab done this thing: and

my lord is wise, according to the wisdom of an angel of God,

- to know all things that are in the earth.
 - 21. And the kina said unto Joab. Behold now.

I have done this thing:

GO therefore.

- bring the young man
 - Absalom again.
- 22. And Joab fell to the ground on his face, and
- bowed himself, and thanked the king: and Joab
- said. To-day thy servant knoweth that
- I have found grace in thy sight, my lord,
 - O king, in that the king hath fulfilled the request of his servant.
- 23. So Jogb arose and went to Geshur, and 6 brought Absalom to Jerusalem.
- 24. And the king said, Let him turn to his own house. and let him not see my
- face. So Absalom returned to his own house, and saw not the king's face.
- But in all Israel.
- there was none to be so much praised as Absalom for his beauty: from the sole of his
 - foot even to the crown of his head.

there was no blemish in him. 26 And when he polled his head, (for it was at every vear's end that he polled it: because

the hair was heavy on him, therefore he polled it:) he

weighed the hair of his head at two hundred shekels after the king's weight.

27 And unto Absalom there were born three sons, and one daughter, whose name was Tamar: she was a woman of a fair countenance

28. So Absalom dwelt two full

years in Jerusalem, and saw not the king's face.

29. Therefore Absolom sent for Joab, to have sent him to the king;

but he would not come to him: and when he sent again the second time, he would not come. 30. Therefore he said unto

his servants, See, Joab's field is near mine, and he hath barley there; go and

set it on fire. And Absalom's servants set the field on fire.

31. Then Joab arose, and came to Absalom unto his house.

and said unto him.

Wherefore have thy servants set my field on fire? 32. And Absalom

answered Joab, Behold. I sent unto thee.

saving. Come hither.

that I may send thee to the king, to say, Wherefore am I come from Geshur? it had been good for me to have been there still: now therefore let me

■ see the king's face; and ■ if there be any iniquity

■ in me, let him kill me. 33. SO Joab came to the king, and told him:

and when he had

called for Absalom.

■ l he came to the kina. and bowed himself on his face to the ground

before the king: and the ■ king kissed Absalom.

CHAPTER 15

1. And it came to pass

after this, that Absalom prepared him

chariots and horses, and fifty men to run before him.

2 And Absalom rose up early, and

stood beside the way of the gate: and it was so, that

when any man that

had a controversy came to the kina

for judgment, then

Absalom called unto him, and

said, Of what city art thou? And he said, Thy servant is of one of the tribes of Israel.

And Absalom said unto him. See.

thy matters *are* good and right: but *there is* no man

deputed of the king to hear thee.

Absalom said moreover.

Oh that I were made iudae in the land, that every man which hath any suit or cause might come unto me, and

I would do him justice!

5. And it was so, that when any man came

nigh to him to do him obeisance,

he out forth his hand, and

took him, and kissed him. 6. And on this manner did

Absolom to all Israel that came to the king for judgment; so Absalom

stole the hearts of the men of Israel.

And it came to pass

after forty years, that

Absalom said unto the king, I pray thee,

■ let me go and pay my

vow, which I have vowed unto the LORD, in Hebron.

8. For thy servant vowed a vow

while Labode

at Geshur in Syria, saying,

If the LORD shall bring

me again indeed

to Jerusalem, then I will serve the LORD.

9. And the king said unto him, Go in peace. So he arose, and

went to Hebron.

10. But Absalom sent spies throughout all the tribes of

Israel, saying, As soon as ye hear the sound of

fhe trumpet, then ye shall say.
Absolom reigneth

■ in Hebron.

11. And with Absalom went two hundred men out of Jerusalem, that were called; and they went in their simplicity, and they knew not any thing.

12. And Absalom sent
 for Ahithophel the Gilonite.
 David's counsellor.

from his city, even from Giloh, while he offered sacrifices.

And the conspiracy was

strong; for the people increased continually

with Absalom.

13. And there came a messenger to David, saying.
 The hearts of the men of

The hearts of the men of Israel are after Absalom.

 And David said unto all his servants that were with him at Jerusalem, Arise, and

let us flee; for we shall not else escape from Absalom: make speed to depart,

lest he overtake us suddenly, and bring evil upon us, and

smite the city with the edge of the sword.

15. And the king's servants said unto the king, Behold, thy servants are ready to do whatsoever my lord the king shall appoint.

And the king went forth,

i and all

his household after him. And the king left ten women, which were concubines, to keep the house.

17. And the king went forth, and all the people after him, and

tarried in a place that was far off.

18. And all his servants passed on beside him; and all the Cherethites, and all the Pelethites, and all the Gittites, six hundred men which came after him from Gath, passed on before the king.

19. Then said the king to Ittai the Gittite, Wherefore goest thou also with us?

return to thy place, and abide with the king: for thou art a stranger, and also an exile.

20. Whereas thou camest but

yesterday, should I this day make thee go up and down with us? seeing I go whither I may, return thou,

and take back thy
brethren: mercy and
truth be with thee.

21. And Ittai answered the king, and said, As the LORD liveth, and as my lord the king liveth,
 surely in what place my lord

the king shall be, whether in death or life, even

■ there also

will thy servant be.

22. And David said to Ittai.Go and pass over. And

Itlai the Gittite passed over, and all his men, and all the little ones that were with him.

23. And all the country wept with a loud voice.

and all the people
 passed over: the king
 also himself passed over

■ the brook Kidron, and all the people passed over.

toward the way of

■ the wilderness.

■ 24. **And** lo

Zadok also.
and all the Levites

were with him

bearing the ark of the covenant of God; and they set down the ark of God: and Abiathar went up. until all the people had done passing out of the city.

25. And the king said unto Zadok, Carry back

the ark of God

into the city: if I shall find

favour in the eyes of the LORD, he will bring me

again, and shew me both it. and his habitation:

26. But if he thus sav.

I have no delight in thee: behold.

here am I, let him do to me as seemeth good unto him.

27. The king said also unto Zadok the priest, Art not thou a seer? return into the city in peace, and your two sons with you, Ahimaaz thy son, and Jonathan the son of Abiathar.

28. See, I will tarry in the plain of the wilderness, until there come word from you to certify me.

29. Zadok therefore and Abiathar

carried the ark of God again

to Jerusalem: and they tarried there.

30. And David went up

by the ascent of

mount Olivet, and wept

as he went up, and had his head covered, and he went barefoot:

and all the people

that was with him

■ | covered every man

his head, and they went up.

weeping as they went up.

31. And one

told David, saying, Ahithophel is

among the conspirators

with Absalom. And David ■ | said, O LORD, I pray thee.

■ turn the counsel of

■ Ahithophel into

■ | foolishness.

32. And it came to pass, that

when David was

come to the top of the mount, where he

worshipped God, behold,

Hushai the Archite

came to meet him.

with his coat rent, and earth upon his head:

33. Unto whom

David said. If thou

passest on with me, then thou shalt be a

burden unto me:

34. **But** if thou

return to the city, and say unto

Absalom, I will be thy servant, O king: as I have been thy father's servant hitherto, so will I now also be thy servant:

then mayest thou for me defeat the counsel

of Ahithophel.

35. And hast thou not there with thee Zadok and Abiathar the priests? therefore it shall be, that

what thing soever

thou shalt hear out

of the king's house, thou shall

tell it to Zadok and Abiathar

the priests. 36. Behold, they have there with them

their two sons. Ahimaaz Zadok's son. and Jonathan Abiathar's son; and

by them ye shall send unto me

every thing that ve can hear.

37. So Hushai David's

friend came into the city,

and Absalom came

■ into Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 16

1 And when David was a little

past the top of the hill,

behold, Ziba

the servant of Mephibosheth

met him, with a couple of

asses saddled, and upon

them two hundred loaves of

bread, and

an hundred bunches of

raisins, and an hundred of summer

fruits, and a bottle of wine.

- 2. And the king said unto Ziba, What meanest thou by these? And Ziba said. The asses be for the king's household to ride on; and the bread and summer fruit for the young men to eat; and the wine, that such as be faint in the wilderness may drink.
- 3. And the king said, And where is thy master's son? And Ziba said unto the king. Behold, he abideth at Jerusalem: for he said. To-day shall the house of Israel restore me the kingdom of my father.
- 4. Then said the king to Ziba, Behold, thine are all that pertained unto Mephibosheth. And Ziba said, I humbly beseech thee that I may find grace in thy sight, my lord, O king.
- 5. And when king
 David came to Bahurim,
 behold thence came out

a man of the family

of the house of Saul, whose name was Shimei

the son of Gera: he

Came forth.

and cursed still as he came.

■ 6 And he

cast stones at David, and at all the servants of king David: and all the people and all the mighty men were on his right hand and on his left.

■ 7. And thus

said Shimei when he cursed.

Come out, come out.

thou bloody man,

8. The LORD hath returned upon thee all the blood of the house of Saul.

in whose stead thou hast reigned;

and the LORD

hath delivered the kingdom into the hand of Absalom

thy son: and, behold, thou art taken in thy mischief because thou art a bloody man.

9. Then said Abishai the son of Zeruiah

unto the king, Why should this dead dog curse my lord the king? let me go over, I pray thee.

and take off his head.

10. And the king said.

What have I to do with you, ye sons of Zeruiah? so

■ let him curse,

because the LORD hath said unto him, Curse David. Who shall then say, Wherefore hast thou done so? 11. And David said to Abishai, and to all his servants

■ Behold, my son, which came forth of my bowels.

seeketh my life: how

much more now may this Benjamite do it?

■ let him alone, and let him curse;

for the LORD hath bidden him.

■ 12. It may be that the

■ LORD will look on mine affliction, and that the LORD will

requite me good for his cursing this day.

13. And as David and his men went by the way. Shimei went along on the hill's side over against him, and cursed as he went, and threw stones at him, and cast dust.

14. And the king, and all the people that *were* with him, came weary, and refreshed themselves there.

■ 15. And Absalom,

and all the people
 the men of Israel, came
 to Jerusalem, and

Ahithophel with him.

16. And it came to pass, when

■ 16. **And** it came to part Hushai the Archite.

■ David's friend, was come unto Absalom, that Hushai

said unto Absalom,
God save the king.

God save the king.

■ 17. And Absalom
■ said to Hushai. Is this

said to Hushai, Is this thy kindness to thy friend?

why wentest thou not with thy friend?

18. And Hushai said unto Absalom, Nay; but

whom the LORD,

and this people. and all the men of Israel. choose, his will I be, and with him will I abide.

19. And again, whom should I serve? should I not serve in the presence of his son?

as I have served in thy father's presence, so will I be in thy presence.

20. Then said Absalom to Ahithophel, Give

counsel among you what we shall do.

21. And Ahithophel

said unto Absalom.

Go in unto thy father's concubines, which he

hath left to keep the house: and all Israel shall hear

that thou art abhorred of thy father: then shall

the hands of all that are with thee be strong.

> 22. So they spread Absalom a tent upon the top of the house:

and Absalom went in unto his father's concubines in the sight of all Israel.

23. And the counsel of Ahithophel, which he counselled in those days.

was as if a man had inquired at the oracle

of God: so was all the counsel of Ahithophel both with David and with Absalom.

CHAPTER 17

■ 1 1. Moreover Ahithophel

said unto Absalom.

Let me now

choose out

twelve thousand men.

and I will arise and

Dursue after David this night:

2. And I will come upon him while he is weary and weak handed, and will

make him afraid: and all

the people that are

with him shall flee; and I

will smite the king only:

3. And I will bring back all the people unto thee: the man whom thou seekest is as if all returned; so all the people shall be in peace.

4. And the saying pleased Absalom well. and all the elders of Israel

Then said Absalom.

Call now

Hushai the Archite also.

and let us

hear likewise

what he saith.

6. And when Hushai was come to Absalom, Absalom spake unto him. saving. Ahithophel hath spoken after this manner; shall we do after his saving? if not; speak thou.

7 And Hushai said unto Absalom.

The counsel that Ahithophel hath given is not good at this time.

8. For. said Hushai, thou knowest

thy father and his men, that they

be mighty men, and they be chafed in their minds, as a bear robbed of her whelps in the field:

and thy father is a man of war, and will not lodge with the people.

> 9. Behold, he is hid now in some pit, or in some other place: and it will come to pass, when some of them be overthrown at the first, that whosoever heareth it will sav. There is a slaughter among the people that follow Absalom.

10. And he also that is valiant, whose heart is as the heart of a lion, shall utterly melt; for all Israel knoweth that thy father is a mighty man, and they which be with him are valiant men.

11. Therefore I counsel that all Israel be generally aathered unto thee, from Dan

even to Beer-sheba, as the sand that is by the sea for multitude:

and that thou go to **battle** in thine own person.

12. So shall we come upon

him in some place where he shall be found, and we will light upon him as the dew falleth on the ground: and of him and of all the men that are with him

there shall not be left so much as one.

13. Moreover, if he be gotten into a city, then shall all Israel bring ropes to that city, and we will draw it into the river, until there be not one small stone found there.

14. And Absalom and all the men of Israel

said, The counsel
of Hushai the Archite

is bottor than the acus

is better than the counsel of Ahithophel. For the

LORD had appointed to defeat the good

■ to defeat the good
■ counsel of Ahithophel,

to the intent that the LORD might bring evil upon Absalom.

■ 15. Then said Hushai
■ unto Zadok and to Abiathar
■ the priorte Thus and

the priests, Thus and thus did Ahithophel counsel
 Absalom and the elders of

Israel; and thus and thus have I counselled.

16. **Now** therefore send quickly, and

■ tell David, saying.
■ Lodge not this night

in the plains of the

wilderness, but speedily pass over; lest the king be swallowed up, and all the people that *are* with him.

17. Now Jonathan and Ahimaaz stayed by En-rogel; for they might not be seen to come into the city: and a wench went and told them;

and they went and told king David.

■ 18. Nevertheless a lad saw them, and told

Absalom: but they went both of them away quickly, and

came to a man's

■ house in Bahurim,

which had a well in his court;

Whither they went down.

19. And the woman look and spread a covering over the well's mouth, and spread ground corn thereon; and the thing was not known.
20. And when Absolom's

servants came to the woman to the house, they said, Where is Ahimaaz and Jonathan? And the woman said unto them, They be gone over the brook of water. And when

■ they had

sought and could not find
them, they returned to Jerusalem.

21. And it came to pass, after they were departed, that

they came up out of the well, and

went and told king

David, and said unto David. Arise, and pass quickly over the water: for thus hath Ahithophel counselled against you.

22. **Then David arose, and** all the people that *were* with him, and they

passed over Jordan: by the morning light there lacked not one of them that was not gone over Jordan.

23. And when Ahithophel saw that his counsel was not followed, he saddled his ass. and arose, and

saddled *nis* ass, and aro

to his house, to his city,
and put his household in
order, and hanged himself,

and died, and was buried in the sepulchre of his father.

24. Then David came to Mahanaim.

And Absalom passed over Jordan, he and all the men of Israel with him.

25. And Absalom

made Amasa captain of the host instead

■ of Joab: which

Amasa was a man's son, whose name was Ithra an Israelite, that

went in to Abigail the daughter of Nahash,

sister to Zeruiah Joab's mother. 26. So Israel and Absalom pitched in the land of Gilead

27. And it came to pass,

when David was come to Mahanaim, that Shobi the son of Nahash of Rabbah of the children of Ammon and Machin the son of Ammiel of Lo-debar. and Barzillai the Gileadite of Rogelim, 28. Brought beds, and basins, and earthen vessels, and wheat, and barley, and flour, and parched corn, and beans, and lentiles, and parched pulse. 29. And honey, and butter. and sheep, and cheese of kine. ■ for David, and for the people that were ■ with him, to eat:

for they said.

■ The people is hungry, and weary, and thirsty. in the wilderness. **CHAPTER 18** 1. And David numbered the people that were with him. and set captains of ■ i thousands, and captains of hundreds over them. ■ 2. And David sent forth a third part of the people under the hand of Joab, and a third part under the hand of Abishai the son of Zeruiah. Joab's brother. and a third part under the hand of Ittal the Gittite. And the kina said unto the people, ■ I will surely go forth ■ with you myself also. ■ 3. But the people answered, Thou shalf not go forth: for if we flee away, they will not care for us: neither if half of us die, will they care for us; but now

thou art worth ten

■ I thousand of us: therefore

now it is better that thou succour us out of the city. 4. And the king said unto them, What seemeth you best I will do. And the king stood by the aate side. and all the people came out by hundreds and by thousands. 5. And the kina commanded Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saving, **Deal gently** for my sake with the young man, even with Absolom, And all the people heard when the king gave all the captains charge concerning Absalom. 6. So the people went out into the field against Israel: and the battle was in the wood of Ephraim; 7. Where the people of Israel were slain before the servants of David. and there was there a areat slaughter that day of twenty thousand men. 8. For the battle was there scattered over the face of all the country: and the wood devoured more people that day than the sword devoured. And Absalom met the servants of David. And Absalom rode upon a mule, and the mule went under the thick boughs of a great oak, and his head caught hold of the oak. and he was taken up between the heaven and the earth: and the mule that was under him went away. 10. And a certain man saw it, and told Joab. and said, Behold, I saw Absalom hanged in an oak.

11. And Joab said unto

the man that told him. And.

why didst thou not

behold, thou sawest him, and

smite him there to the ground?

and I would have given thee ten

shekels of silver, and a girdle.

12 And the man said unto Joab.

Though I should

receive a thousand

shekels of silver in mine hand.

vet would I not put forth æ i mine hand against the

king's son: for in our hearing the king charged thee

and Abishai and Ittai, saying,

Beware that none

touch the young man

Absalom.

13. Otherwise I should have wrought falsehood against mine own life: for there is no matter hid from the king, and thou thyself wouldest have set thyself against me.

14. Then said

Joab, I may not tarry thus with thee. And he

took three darts in his hand.

and thrust them through the heart of Absalom, while he was yet alive in the midst of the oak.

15. And ten young men that bare Joab's armour compassed about and smote Absalom, and slew him.

16. And Joab blew the trumpet. and the people returned from pursuing after Israel: for Joab held back the people.

17. And they took Absolom. and cast him into a

areat pit in the wood.

and laid a very great heap of

stones upon him: and all Israel fled every one to his tent.

18. Now Absolom in his lifetime

had taken and

reared up for himself a pillar, which is in the king's dale:

for he said, I have no son to keep my name in

> remembrance; and he called the pillar after his own name:

and it is called unto this day.

Absalom's place.

19. Then said Ahimaaz the son of Zadok,

Let me now run, and

bear the king tidings, how that the LORD hath avenged

him of his enemies.

20 And Joab said unto him. Thou shall

not bear tidings

this day, but thou shalt bear tidings

another day: but this day thou shalt bear no tidings.

because the king's

son is dead.

21. Then said Joab to Cushi, Go tell the king what thou hast seen. And Cushi

howed himself unto Joab, and ran. 22 Then said Ahimaaz

the son of Zadok yet

again to Joab, But howsoever,

lef me, I pray thee,

also run after Cushi. And Joab said. Wherefore wilt thou run. my son, seeing that thou hast no tidings ready? 23. But howsoever, said he, let

me run. And he said unto him, Run.

Then Ahimaaz ran by the way of the plain, and overran Cushi.

24. And David sat between the two gates:

and the watchman went up to the roof

over the gate unto the wall, and lifted up his eyes, and looked, and behold a man runnino alone.

25. And the watchman cried, and told the king. And the king said. If he be alone, there is tidings in his mouth.

And he came apace, and drew near. 26. And the watchman saw another man running; and the watchman called unto the porter. and said. Behold another man

running alone. And the king said, He also bringeth tidings.

27. And the watchman

said. Me thinketh

the running of the foremost

is like the running of

- Ahimaaz the son of Zadok, And the king said. He is a good man, and cometh with good tidings.
- 28. And Ahimaaz called. and said
- unto the king. All is well.

And he fell down to the earth upon his face before the king, and said, Blessed be the LORD thy God, which hath delivered up the men that lifted up their hand against my lord the king.

29. And the king said,
Is the young man

■ Absalom safe? And ■ Ahimaaz answered. When

■ Joab sent the king's

servant, and me thy servant, I saw a great tumult, but

I knew not what it was. 30. And the king said unto him. Turn aside, and

stand here. And he turned aside, and stood still.

31. And, behold,Cushi came; and Cushi said, Tidings, my lord the kina:

for the LORD hath **avenged thee** this day of all them that rose

up against thee.

■ 32. And the king

said unto Cushi,

Is the young man

■ Absalom safe? And

Cushi answered, The enemies of my lord the king, and

all that rise against thee to do thee hurt.

be as that young

■ | man is.

■ 33. And the king was much moved, and

■ went up to the chamber

over the gate, ■ and wepf: and

as he went, thus he

said, O my

■ son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom!

would God I

had died for thee.

O Absalom, my son, my son!

CHAPTER 19

■ 1 1. And it was told

Joab. Behold.

the king weepeth and mourneth for Absalom.

2. And the victory that day was turned into mourning

unto all the people:

for the people

heard say that day how the king was

grieved for his son. 3. And the people gat them by stealth that day into the city, as people being ashamed steal away when they flee in battle.

But the king covered his face. and the king cried with a loud voice, O my son Absalom, O Absalom, my son, my son!

And Joab came into the house

to the king, and said. Thou hast shamed this day the faces of all

thy servants, which this day have

saved thy life, and the lives of thy sons and of thy daughters, and the lives of thy wives, and the lives of thy concubines;

6. In that thou lovest thine enemies, and hatest thy

friends. For thou hast declared this day, that thou regardest neither princes nor servants: for this day

I perceive, that if Absalom

had lived, and all we had died this day,

then it had pleased

thee well.

Now therefore arise.

go forth, and

speak comfortably unto thy servants: for

I swear by the LORD.

if thou go not forth, there will not tarry one with

thee this night: and that

will be worse unto thee

than all the evil that befell

thee from thy youth until now.

8. Then the king arose, and

sat in the gate. And they told unto all the people, saying, Behold, the king doth sit in the gate.

And all the people came

> before the king: for Israel had fled every man to his tent.

9. And all the people were at strife throughout all the tribes of Israel.

saying, The king saved us out of the hand of

our enemies, and he delivered us out of the hand of the Philistines:

and now he is fled out of the land for Absalom.

And Absalom, whom. we anointed over us.

is dead in battle.

Now therefore why speak ye not a word

of bringing the king back?

11. And king David sent to Zadok and to Abiathar

the priests, saying, Speak ■ unto the elders of Judah.

saying, Why are ye the ■ last to bring the king

■ back to his house?

seeing the speech of all Israel is come to

■ | the king, even to his house. 12. Ye *are* my brethren.

> ye are my bones and my flesh: wherefore then are ye the last to bring back the king?

13. And say ve

to Amasa, Art thou not of my bone, and of my flesh? God do so to me, and more also, if thou

be not

captain of the host before me continually in the room of Joab.

> 14. And he bowed the heart of all the men of Judah, even as the heart of one man:

■ SO that

■ they sent this word unto ■ the king, Return thou. and all thy servants.

15. So the king returned, and came to Jordan. And

Judah came to Gilgal, to go

to meet the king, to conduct the king over Jordan.

And Shimei the son of Gera, a Benjamite, which was of Bahurim, hasted and

came down

with the men of

Judah to meet king David.

17. And there were a thousand men of

Benjamin with him, and Ziba the servant of the house of Saul, and his fifteen sons and his twenty servants with him; and they went over Jordan before the king.

18. And there went over a ferry boat to carry over the king's household, and to do what he thought good.

And Shimei the son of Gera fell down before the kina. as he was come over Jordan:

19. And said unto the kina. Let not my lord impute

iniquity unto me, neither do thou remember that which thy servant did perversely the day that my lord the king went out of Jerusalem, that the king should take it to his heart.

20. For thy servant doth know that

I have sinned:

therefore, behold.

I am

come the

first this day of all the house of Joseph to go down

to meet my lord

the king.

21. But Abishai the son of Zeruiah

answered and said.

Shall not Shimei be put to death for this.

because he cursed the LORD's anointed?

And David said. What have I to do with you, ye sons

of Zeruiah, that ye should this day be adversaries unto me?

shall there any man be put to death this day in Israel?

for do not

I know that I am this day

king over Israel?

23. Therefore the king said unto Shimei. Thou shalt not ■ die. And the king sware unto him. 24. And Mephibosheth the son of Saul came

down to meet the king.

and had neither

dressed his feet, nor

■ trimmed his beard, nor ■ | washed his clothes, from ■ the day the king departed

until the day he came again in peace. 25. And it came to pass, when he

was come to Jerusalem to meet the king, that the king

said unto him, Wherefore wentest not thou with me, Mephibosheth?

26. And he answered, My lord, O king.

my servant deceived me: for thy servant said, I will saddle me an ass, that I may ride thereon, and go to the king; because thy servant is lame. 27. And he hath

slandered thy servant

> unto my lord the king; but my lord the king is as an angel of God:

do therefore what is good in thine eyes.

28. For all of

my father's house were but dead men before my lord the king: vet didst thou set thy

servant among them that did eat

at thine own table.

What right therefore

have I yet

to cry any more

unto the king?

29. And the king said unto him, Why speakest thou any

more of thy matters? I have said,

Thou and Ziba

divide the land.

■ 30. And Mephibosheth

said unto the king, Yea,

■ let him take all.

forasmuch as my lord

■ the king is come again

in peace unto his own house.

31. And Barzillai the Gileadite came down from Rogelim, and

went over Jordan with the

king, to conduct him over Jordan. 32. Now Barzillai was a very

aged man, even fourscore vears old: and he had

provided the king of sustenance while he lav

at Mahanaim; for he was a very great man.

33. And the king

said unto Barzillai. Come thou over

with me, and I will feed thee with me in Jerusalem.

34. And Barzillai said unto the king,

How long have I to live.

that I should go up with the king unto Jerusalem?

35. I am this day

fourscore years old: and can I discern between good and evil? can thy servant taste what I eat or what I drink? can I hear any more the voice of singing men and singing women?

wherefore then

should thy servant be yet

a burden unto my lord the king?

> 36. Thy servant will go a little way over Jordan with the king: and why should the king recompense it me with such a reward?

37. **Let thy servant,** I pray thee,

turn back again, that I may die in mine own city,

and be buried by the grave of my father and of my mother.

But behold thy servant

Chimham; let him go over

with my lord

the king; and do to him what shall seem

good unto thee.

38. And the king answered, Chimham shall go over with me, and I will do to him that which shall seem good unto thee: and whatsoever thou shalt require of me, that will I do for thee. 39. And all the people went over Jordan, And when the king was come over, the king kissed

Barzillai, and blessed him; and

he returned unto his own place.

40. Then the king went on to Gilgal, and

Chimham went on

with him: and all the people of Judah conducted the king, and also half the people of Israel.

41. And, behold, all

the men of Israel came to the kina.

and said unto the king.

■ Why have our brethren

the men of Judah stolen

thee away, and have

brought the king, and

his household, and all David's

men with him

over Jordan?

42 **And** all the men of

Judah answered the men of Israel.

Because the king is near of kin to us: wherefore then be

ye angry for this matter? have we eaten at all of the king's cost? or

hath he given us any gift?

43. And the men of

Israel answered

the men of Judah, and said, We have ten parts in the king, and

m 1 we have also more right in David than ye: why then did ye

despise us, that our advice should not be first had in bringing back our king?

■ I And the words of the men

of Judah were fiercer

than the words of the men

■ of Israel

CHAPTER 20

1. And there happened to be there

a man of Belial

whose name was

Sheba, the son of Bichri,

a Benjamite; and he

blew a trumpet, and said,

■ We have no part in

■ David, neither have we

inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to his tents,

O Israel.

2. So every man of

Israel

went up from after David, and followed Sheba

the son of Bichri:

but the men of

Judah clave unto their king, from Jordan

even to Jerusalem.

And David came to his house at

Jerusalem: and the king

took the ten women his

concubines, whom he had left to keep the house.

and put them in ward.

and fed them, but

went not in unto

them. So they were shut up

unto the day of their death, living in widowhood.

4. Then said the king to Amasa, Assemble me

the men of Judah within three days, and

be thou here present.

So Amasa went to assemble the men of Judah:

but he

tarried longer than the set

time which he had appointed him.

6 And David said to Abishai

Now shall Sheba the son of Bichri

do us more harm than did

Absalom: take thou thy lord's servants.

and pursue after

him, lest he get him fenced cities, and

escape us.

7. And there went out after him

Joab's men, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites.

and all the mighty men:

and they went out of Jerusalem, to pursue after Sheba the son of Bichri.

8. When they were at the great stone which is in Gibeon.

Amasa went before them.

And Joab's garment that he

had put on was girded unto him, and upon it a girdle with a

sword fastened upon

Saul and Jonathan his son buried they in the country of Benjamin in Zelah, in the sepulchre of Kish his father; and they performed all that the king commanded.

And after that God was entreated for the land.

15 Moreover the Philistines had yet

war again with Israel:

and David went down.

and his servants with him, and

fought against the Philistines: and

David waxed faint.

16. And Ishbi-benob. which was of the sons of

the aiant, the weight of

whose spear weighed three hundred shekels

> of brass in weight, he being girded with a new sword.

thought to have slain David.

17 But Abishai

the son of Zeruiah succoured him, and

smote the Philistine. and killed him. Then the men of David sware

unto him, saving,

Thou shalt ao no **more out** with us

to battle, that thou quench

not the light of Israel.

18. And it came to pass after this, that there was again a battle with the Philistines at Gob: then Sibbechai the Hushathite slew Saph, which was of the sons

of the giant.

19. **And** there was again a battle in Gob with the Philistines, where Elhanan the son of

Jaare-oregim, a Beth-lehemite, slew the brother of Goliath

the Gittite, the staff of whose spear was like a weaver's beam. 20. And there was yet a

battle in Gath, where was a man of *great* stature,

that had on every hand

six fingers, and on every foot six toes, four and twenty in number: and he also was

born to the giant.

21. And when he defied Israel. Jonathan the son of Shimeah the brother of David slew him

22. These four were born

to the giant in Gath, and tell by the hand

of David, and by the hand of

■ his servants.

CHAPTER 22

1. And David spake unto the LORD the words of this

song in the day that the LORD had delivered him out of the hand of all his enemies, and out of the hand of Saul:

And he said.

The LORD is my rock, and

my fortress, and my deliverer:

The God of my rock:

in him will I trust: he is

mv shield, and the horn of mv

salvation, my high tower, and my refuge, my saviour;

thou savest me from violence.

I will call on the

LORD, who is worthy

to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.

When the waves of

death compassed

me, the floods of ungodly men made me atraid:

6. The sorrows of hell compassed me about: the snares of death prevented me:

7. In my distress

I called upon the LORD. ■ i and cried to my God:

and he did hear my

voice out of his temple, and my cry did enter into his ears.

8 Then the earth shook and trembled: the foundations of heaven moved and shook.

because he was wroth.

9. There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and fire out of his mouth devoured: coals were kindled by it.

- 10 He bowed the
- heavens also.
- and came down: and darkness was under his feet.
- 11 And he rode upon a cherub. and did fly: and he
- was seen upon the wings of the wind.
- 12 And he made
- darkness pavilions round about him, dark waters, and
 - thick clouds of the skies. 13 Through the brightness before him were coals of fire kindled.
- 14. The LORD thundered from heaven, and the most High.
- uttered his voice.
 - 15. And he sent out arrows.
- and scattered them:

lightning, and discomfited them.

- 16. And the channels of the sea appeared.
- the foundations of the world were discovered, at the rebuking of the LORD, at

the blast of the breath of his nostrils. 17. He sent from above, he took me: he drew me out of many waters:

- 18. He delivered me
- from my strong

enemy, and from them that hated me: for they were too strong for me. 19. They prevented me in the

day of my calamity: but the LORD was my stay.

20. He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me. because he delighted in me.

21. The LORD rewarded me according to my righteousness: according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.

22 For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God. 23. For all

his judgments were before me:

- and as for his
- statutes. I did not depart from them.
- 24. I was also upright before him, and
- have kept myself from mine iniquity.

25 Therefore the LORD hath recompensed me according to my righteousness; according

to my cleanness in his eve sight. 26. With the merciful

- thou wilt shew thyself merciful, and with the upright man thou will shew thyself
- upright.

27. With the pure thou wilt shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself unsavoury.

- 28. And the afflicted people thou wilt save: but thine eves are upon the haughly, that thou mayest bring them down.
- 29. For thou art my lamp. O LORD: and the LORD will lighten my darkness. 30. For by thee I have run through a troop; by my God have I leaped over a wall.
- 31. As for God, his way is perfect; the word of the LORD is tried; he is a buckler to all them that
- trust in him

For who is God, save the LORD? and who is a rock, save our God? 33. God is my strength and power: and

- he maketh my way perfect. 34. He maketh my feet
- like hinds' feet: and setteth me upon my high places.
 - 35. He teacheth my hands to war; so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.
- 36. Thou hast also given me the shield of thy
- salvation: and thy gentleness hath
 - made me great.
 - 37. Thou hast enlarged my steps under me; so that my feet did not slip. 38. I have pursued mine enemies, and destroyed them; and turned not again until I had consumed them. 39. And I have consumed them, and wounded them, that they could not arise; yea, they are fallen under my feet.
 - 40 For thou hast

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girded me with strength

to battle: them that rose up against me hast thou subdued under me.

- 41. Thou hast also given me the necks of mine enemies, that I might destroy them that hate me.
- 42. They looked, but *there was* none to save; *even* unto the LORD, but he answered them not.
- 43. Then did I beat them as small as the dust of the earth, I did stamp them as the mire of the street, and did spread them abroad.
- 44. Thou also

hast delivered me from the strivings of my people, thou hast kept me to be head of

thou hast kept me *to be* head of the heathen: a people *which* I knew not shall serve me.

 45. Strangers shall submit themselves unto me: as soon as they hear, they

shall be obedient unto me.

46. Strangers shall fade away, and they shall be afraid out of their close places.

47. The LORD liveth; and blessed be my rock;

and exalted be the God of the rock of my salvation.

48. It is God that avengeth me, and that bringeth

down the people under me.

49. **And** that

bringeth me forthfrom mine enemies:

thou also hast lifted me up on high above them that rose up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.

50. Therefore I will give thanks unto thee, O

■ LORD, among the heathen,

and I will sing praises

unto thy name.

51. He is the tower of

salvation for his king:

and sheweth mercy to his anointed

unto David, and to his seed for evermore.

CHAPTER 23

 Now these be the last words of David. David the son of Jesse said, and the man who was raised up on high,

■ the anointed of the

■ God of Jacob, and

the sweet psalmist of Israel, said,

2. The Spirit of the LORD spake by me,

and his word was in my tongue.

3. The God of Israel said, the Rock of Israel spake to me,

■ He that ruleth over

men *must be* just, ruling in the fear of God.

- 4. And he shall be as the light of the morning, when the sun riseth, even a morning without clouds; as the tender grass springing out of the earth by clear shining after rain.
- 5. Although my house be not so with God; yet

he hath made with me
 an everlasting covenant,
 ordered in all things, and sure; for

this is all my salvation, and all my desire.

although he make *it* not lo grow.

6. **But** *the sons of* **Belial** *shall be* all of them as thorns
thrust away, because they

cannot be taken with hands:
7. But the man *that* shall touch them must be fenced with iron and the staff of a spear; and they

shall be utterly burned with fire in the same place.

8. These *be* the names of the mighty men whom

David had: The Tachmonite that sat in the seat, chief among the captains: the same was

■ Adino the Eznite:

he lift up his spear against eight hundred, whom he slew at one time.

he slew at one times

Eleazar the son of Dodo the
 Ahohite, one of the three mighty men
 with David, when they defied the
 Philistines that were there gathered

together to battle, and the men of Israel were gone away:

10. He arose, and

smote the Philistines until his hand was

weary, and his hand clave unto the sword; and the LORD

wrought a great victory that day:

and the people returned after him only to spoil.

11. And after him was Shammah the son of

Agee the Hararite, And

the Philistines were gathered

together into a troop, where was a piece of ground full of lentiles:

and the people fled from the Philistines.

12 But he stood in the midst of the ground, and defended it.

and slew the Philistines: ■ł and the LORD wrought

a great victory.

13. And three of the thirty chief went down, and came to David in the harvest time unto the cave of Adullam: and the troop of the Philistines pitched in the valley of Rephaim.

14. And David was then in an hold, and the garrison of the Philistines was then in Beth-lehem

15. And David longed, and said. Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem which is by the gate!

16. And the three mighty men brake through the host of the Philistines. and drew water out of

the well of Beth-lehem that was by the gate, and took it,

and brought it to David: nevertheless he would not

drink thereof, but poured ■ it out unto the LORD

17. And he said, Be it far from me, O LORD, that I should do this: is

not this the blood of

the men that

went in jeopardy of

their lives? therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mighty men.

18. And Abishai, the brother of Joab, the son of Zeruiah. was chief among three. And he

lifted up his spear against three hundred. and slew them, and

had the name among three.

19. Was he not most honourable of three? therefore he was their captain: howbeit he attained not unto the first three.

20 And Bengiah the son of Jehojada, the son of a valiant man_of Kabzeel

who had done many acts, he slew two lionlike men of Mogb: he went down also and slew

a lion in the midst of a pit in time of snow:

21. And he slew an

Egyptian, a goodly man: and the Egyptian had a spear in his hand: but he went down to him with a staff. and plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand, and slew him with his own spear.

22. These things did Benaigh the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among three mighty men. 23. He was more honourable than the thirty, but he attained not to the first three.

And David set him over his guard.

24 Asahel the brother of Joah was one of the thirty: Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem.

Shammah the Harodite. Elika the Harodite

26. Helez the Paltite, Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite.

Abjezer the Anethothite. Mebunnai the Hushathite.

28. Zalmon the Ahohite,

Maharai the Netophathite.

29. Heleb the son of Baanah, a Netophathite, Ittai the son of Ribai out of Gibeah of the children of Benjamin.

30. Benaiah the Pirathonite, Hiddai

of the brooks of Gaash

31 Abi-albon the Arbathite Azmaveth the Barhumite.

32. Eliahba the Shaalbonite, of the sons of Jashen, Jonathan,

 Shammah the Hararite. Ahiam. the son of Sharar the Hararite.

34 Fliphelet the son of Ahashai. the son of the Maachathite, Eliam the son of Ahithophel the Gilonite.

35. Hezrai the Carmelite.

Pagrai the Arbite

36. Igal the son of Nathan

of Zobah. Bani the Gadite. 37. Zelek the Ammonite, Nahari the

Beerothite, armour-bearer to Joab the son of Zeruiah.

38. Ira an Ithrite. Gareb an Ithrite. 39. Uriah the Hittite: thirty and

seven in all.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. And again the anger of the LORD was kindled
- against Israel, and he moved David against them to say, Go. number Israel and Judah.
- 2. For the king said to
- Joab the captain of the host, which was with him.
- Go now through all the tribes of Israel, from Dan even to Beer-sheba, and

number ve

■ | the people, that I may know the number of the people.

And Joab said unto the king. Now the LORD thy God add unto the people, how many soever they be, an hundredfold, and that the eyes of my lord the king may see it. but

why doth my lord

■ I the king delight

in this thina?

4. Notwithstanding the king's word prevailed

against Joab, and against the captains of the host.

And Joab and the captains of the host

went out from the presence of the king,

to number the

people of Israel.

- 5. And they passed over Jordan, and pitched in Aroer, on the right side of the city that lieth in the midst
- of the river of Gad, and toward Jazer:
- 6. Then they came to

Gilead, and to the land of Tahtim-hodshi: and they came

to Dan-jaan, and about to Zidon.

7. And came to the strong hold of

Tyre, and to all

the cities of the Hivites.

and of the

Canaanites: and they went out to the south of Judah, even to Beer-sheba.

8. So when they had gone through all the land, they came to Jerusalem at

the end of nine months

and twenty days.

9. And Joab gave up the sum of the number of the people unto the king: and there were in Israel

eiaht hundred thousand valiant men that drew

the sword: and the men of Judah *were* five hundred

thousand men.

10. And David's heart

smote him after that

he had

numbered the people.

And David said unto the LORD.

I have sinned greatly

in that I have done; and now, I beseech thee, O LORD, take away the iniquity of thy servant;

for I have done very foolishly.

11. FOI when David was up in the morning, the word

of the LORD came unto

the prophet Gad, David's seer, savina.

12. Go and say unto

David, Thus saith the LORD,

I offer thee three things:

choose thee

one of them.

that I may do it unto thee.

13. So Gad came to David, and told him, and said unto him,

Shall seven years of famine come unto thee in thy land? or wilt thou flee three months before thine enemies, while they pursue thee? Of that there be three days' pestilence in thy land? now advise. and see what answer I shall return to him that sent me. 14. And David said unto Gad, I am in a great strait: let us fall now into the hand of the LORD: for his mercies are areat: and let me not fall into the hand of man. 15 So the LORD sent a pestilence upon Israel from the morning even to the time appointed: and there died of the people from Dan even to Beer-sheba seventy thousand men. 16. And when the angel stretched out his hand upon Jerusalem to destroy it, the LORD repented him of the evil, and said to the angel that destroyed the people. It is enough: stay now thine hand. And the angel of the LORD was by the threshingplace of Araunah the Jebusite. 17. And David spake unto the LORD when he saw the angel that smote the people, and said. Lo. I have sinned, and I have done wickedly: but these sheep, what have they done? let thine hand, I pray thee, be against me, and against my father's house. 18. And Gad came that day to David, and said unto him, Goun

rear an altar unto the LORD

in the threshingfloor of

19. And David, according

Araunah the Jebusile

to the saving of Gad. went up as the LORD commanded. 20. And Araunah looked, and saw the king and his servants coming on toward him: and Araunah went out, and bowed himself before the king on his face upon the ground. 21. And Araunah said. Wherefore is my lord the king come to his servant? And David said, To buy the threshingfloor of thee, to build an altar unto the LORD, that the plague may be stayed from the people. 22. And Araunah said unto David. Let my lord the king take and offer up what seemeth good unto him; behold. *here be* oxen for burnt sacrifice, and threshing instruments and other instruments of the oxen for wood 23. All these things did Araunah, as a king, give unto the king. And Araunah said unto the king, The LORD thy God accept thee. 24. And the king said unto Araunah, Nay; but I will surely buy if of thee at a price: neither will I offer burnt offerings unto the LORD my God of that which doth cost me nothing. So David bought the threshingfloor and the oxen for fifty shekels of silver. 25. And David built there an altar unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings and peace offerings. So the LORD was entreated for the land.

and the plague was

staved from Israel.

DAVID'S CHARGE TO SOLOMON

Be Thou Strong Therefore, and Shew Thyself a Man; and Keep the Charge of the Lord Thy God, to Keep His Statutes, and His Commandments, and His Judgements, and His Testimonies, as it is Written in the Law of Moses, That Thou Mayest Prosper in All That Thou Doest...

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CHAPTER 1

1. Now king

David was old

and stricken in years;

and they covered him with clothes.

but he gat no heat.

■ 2. Wherefore his servants

said unto him.

■ Let there be sought for my lord the king

a young virgin:

and let her stand before the king, and let her cherish him, and let her

lie in thy bosom, that my lord the king may get heat.

3. So they

sought for a fair damsel throughout all the coasts of Israel, and

found Abishag a Shunammite, and brought her to the king.

■ 4. And the damsel was very **fair**, and cherished the king,

and ministered to him: but

■ the king knew her not.

5. Then Adoniiah

the son of Haggith

exalted himself, saying,

■ I will be king: and he prepared him chariots and horsemen, and fifty men to run before him.

6. And his father had not displeased him at any time in saying, Why hast thou done so? and he also was a very goodly man; and his mother bare him after Absalom.

7 And he conferred with

Joab the son of Zeruiah.

and with

Abiathar the priest:

■ and they following Adonijah

helped him.

8. But Zadok the priest, and

Benaigh the son of Jehoiada, and

Nathan the prophet, and

Shimei, and

■ Rei, and the mighty men which belonged to David.

■ were not with Adonijah. And Adonijah slew

sheep and

oxen and fat cattle

by the stone of Zoheleth,

which is by En-rogel.

and called all

his brethren the king's sons,

and all the men of Judah

the king's servants:

10. But Nathan the prophet.

and Benaiah, and

the mighty men, and

Solomon his brother.

he called not.

11. Wherefore Nathan

spake unto Bath-sheba the mother of Solomon.

او saying, Hast thou not heard that

Adonijah the son of Haggith

doth reign, and David our lord knoweth it not?

Now therefore come.

let me. I pray thee.

give thee counsel,

that thou mayest

save thine own life, and the

life of thy son Solomon.

13. Go and get thee in

unto kina

David, and say unto him,

Didst not thou, my lord, O king,

swear unto thine handmaid,

saving, Assuredly

Solomon thy son

shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?

why then doth

Adonijah reign?

14. Behold, while thou yet

talkest there with the king.

lalso

will come in after thee, and

confirm thy words.

15. And Bath-sheba went in unto the king into the

chamber: and the king was very old; and Abishag the Shunammite

ministered unto the king. 16. And Bath-sheba bowed, and did

obeisance unto the king.

And the king said. What wouldest thou?

17. And she said unto him. My lord.

thou swarest by the LORD thy God unto thine handmaid.

saying, Assuredly

Solomon thy son

■ shall reign after me.

and he shall sit upon my throne.

18. And now, behold. Adoniiah reianeth: and

now, my lord the king.

thou knowest it not:

19. And he hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and hath called all the sons of the king, and Abiathar the priest, and Joab the captain of the host; but Solomon thy servant bath he not called 20. And thou, my lord,

O king, the eyes of all Israel are upon thee,

that thou shouldest

tell them who shall

sit on the throne

of my lord the king after him.

21. Otherwise

it shall come to pass. when my lord

the king shall sleep

with his fathers, that I and my son

Solomon shall be counted offenders.

22. And. lo.

l while she vet

talked with the king.

Nathan the prophet also

came in.

23. And they told the king, saying, Behold Nathan the prophet.

And when he was come in before the king, he

bowed himself

before the king

with his face to the ground. 24 And Nathan said,

My lord, O king,

hast thou said, Adonijah

shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne?

25. For he is gone down this day. and hath slain oxen and fat cattle and sheep in abundance, and

hath called all

the king's sons, and

the captains of the host.

and Abiathar the priest;

and, behold.

they eat and drink before him. and say, God save king

Adoniiah.

26. **But me**,

even me thy servant. and Zadok the priest, and

Benaigh the son of Jeholada.

and thy servant

Solomon, hath he

not called.

> 27. Is this thing done by my lord the king, and thou hast not shewed it unto thy servant, who should sit on the throne of my lord the king after him?

28. Then king David

answered and said.

Call me Bath-sheba. And

she came into the king's

presence, and stood before the king. 29. And the king sware, and said. As the LORD liveth, that hath

redeemed my soul out of all distress. 30. Even as I sware unto thee by

the LORD God of Israel.

saying, Assuredly

Solomon thy son

shall reign after me, and he shall sit upon my throne in my stead;

even so will I certainly

do this day.

31 Then Bath-sheba

bowed with her face to the earth. and did reverence to the king,

and said, Let my lord

king David live for ever.

32. **And** king

David said, Call me

Zadok the priest, and

Nathan the prophet,

and Benaiah

the son of Jehoiada. And they came before the king.

33. The king also

said unto them. Take

with you the

servants of your lord.

and cause Solomon my son

to ride upon mine own mule, and bring him down

to Gihon:

34. And let Zadok the priest

- and Nathan the prophet
- anoint him there
- king over Israel: and blow ve with
- the trumpet, and say, God save king Solomon.
 - 35. Then ye shall come up after him, that he may come and sit upon my throne;
- for he shall be king in my stead: and I have appointed him to be ruler over Israel and over Judah.
- 36. And Benaigh the son of ■ (Jehoiada answered the king, and said. Amen: the LORD God of my
- lord the king say so too. 37. As the LÓRD hath been with my lord the king,
- even so be he with Solomon.
- and make his throne greater than the throne of my lord king David.
- 38. So Zadok the priest, and
- Nathan the prophet. and Benaigh the son of
- Jehojada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites.
- went down, and caused ■ Solomon to ride upon king David's mule, and brought him to Gihon.
- 39. And Zadok the priest
- took an horn of
- oil out of the tabernacle.
- and anointed Solomon.
- And they blew the trumpet; and all the people said,
- God save king Solomon.
- 40. And all the people came up after him, and the people piped with pipes, and
- rejoiced with great joy, so that the earth rent with the sound of them.
- 41. And Adonijah and all
- the quests that were with him
- heard if as they had made an end of eating.
- And when
- **Joab** heard the sound of the trumpet, he
- said. Wherefore is this
- **noise** of the city being in an uproar?
- 42. And while he yet spake,

behold.

- Jonathan
- the son of Abiathar the priest came: and Adonijah said unto him,
- Come in; for thou art a valiant man. and bringest good tidings.
 - 43. And Jonathan answered
 - and said to Adonijah. Verily our lord king
- David hath made Solomon king.
 - 44. And the king hath sent with him Zadok the priest, and Nathan the prophet, and Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and the Cherethites, and the Pelethites, and they have caused him to ride upon the king's mule:
- 45. And Zadok the priest
- and Nathan the prophet
- have anointed
- him king in Gihon:
- and they are
- come up from thence reioicina.
- so that the city rang again.
 - This is the noise that
 - ve have heard.
 - 46. And also Solomon sitteth on the throne of the kingdom.
- 47. And moreover the king's servants came to
 - bless our lord king
 - David, saying, God make
- the name of Solomon better than thy name, and make
- his throne greater than thy
 - throne. And the king bowed himself upon the bed.
- 48. And also thus said the king, Blessed be the LORD
- God of Israel.
- which hath given one
- to sit on my throne this day,
- mine eyes even seeing it. 49. And all the guests that were
- with Adoniiah
- were afraid, and rose up.
- and went every
- man his way. 50. And Adonijah feared
 - because of Solomon, and arose,
 - and went, and caught hold

515 on the horns of the altar. 51 And it was told ■ Solomon, saying, Behold, Adonijah feareth king Solomon; for, lo, he hath caught hold on the horns of the altar, saying, Let king Solomon swear unto me to-day that he will not slay his **servant** with the sword. 52. And Solomon said, If he will shew himself a worthy man. ■ (■ there shall not an hair of him fall to the earth: but if wickedness shall be found in him, he shall die. ■ 53. **So** king Solomon sent, and ■ they brought him down from the altar. And he came and

CHAPTER 2

■ to king

■ bowed himself

said unto him.

■ Go to thine house.

1. Now the days of David drew nigh that he should ■ die; and he charged ■ Solomon his son.

■ Solomon: and Solomon

- saying, 2. I go the way of all the earth:
- **be** thou
- strong therefore, and shew thyself a man;
- 3. And keep the charge of the LORD thy
- God, to walk in his ways. to keep his statutes.
- and his commandments, and his judgments. and his testimonies.
- as it is written in
- the law of Moses.
- that thou mayest prosper in all that thou doest, and whithersoever thou turnest thyself:
- 4. That the LORD may continue his word which he spake concerning me,

saying, If thy children take heed to their way, to walk before me in truth with all their heart and with all their soul. there shall not fail thee (said he) a man on the throne of Israel

- 5. Moreover thou knowest also what Joab
 - the son of Zeruiah
- did to me, and what he did to the two captains of the hosts of Israel.
- unto Abner the son of Ner.
- and unto Amasa

the son of Jether.

whom he slew.

and shed the blood of war in peace. and put the blood of war upon his girdle that was about his loins, and in his shoes that were on his feet.

- 6. Do therefore according to thy wisdom, and
- let not his hoar
- head ao down to the grave in peace.
- 7. But shew kindness unto
 - the sons of Barzillai

the Gileadite

- and let them be of those that
- eat at thy table: for so
- they came to me when
- I fled because of
- Absalom thy brother.
- 8. And, behold, thou hast with thee **Shimei** the son of Gera, a Benjamile
 - of Bahurim, which cursed me

with a grievous curse in the day

- when I went to Mahanaim:
- but he came down
- to meet me at Jordan, and I **sware** to him by the LORD,
- saying, I will not put thee to
- death with the sword.
- Now therefore
- hold him not guiltless:

for thou art a wise man, and knowest what thou oughtest to do unto him:

- but his hoar
- head bring thou down to
 - the grave with blood.
 - 10. So David slept

with his fathers,
and was buried
in the city of David.
11. And the days that

 David reigned over Israel were forty years: seven years reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem.

12. Then sat Solomon upon the throne of David his father;
 and his kingdom was established greatly.

■ 13. And Adonijah the son of Haggith

the mother of Solomon. And she said, Comest thou peaceably?
And he said, Peaceably.

14. He said moreover, I have

somewhat to say unto thee. And she said, Say on.

15. **And he said,**Thou knowest that

the kingdom was mine, and that all Israel set their faces on me, that I should reign:

howbeit the kingdom is
 turned about

and is become

my brother's:

for it was his from the LORD.

16. And now I ask one petition of thee, deny me not.
 And she said unto him, Say on.
 17. And he said.

■ Speak, I pray thee,

unto Solomon the king, (for he will not say thee nay,)

that he give me Abishag theShunammite to wife.

 And Bath-sheba said, Well; I will speak for thee unto the king.

19. **Bath-sheba** therefore

went unto king

Solomon, to speak unto him for Adonijah.

 And the king rose up to meet her, and bowed himself unto her, and sat down on his throne, and caused a seat to be set for the king's mother;

and she sat on his right hand.

20. Then she said, I desire

petition of thee; I pray thee, say me not nay. And the king said unto her, Ask on, my mother: for I will not say thee nay.

21. And she said,

Let Abishag the Shunammite
 be given to Adonijah
 thy brother

■ to wife.

22. And king Solomon
 answered and said
 unto his mother, And
 why dost thou ask Abishag the

why dost thou ask Abishag the Shunammite for Adonijah? ask for him the kinadom

ask for him the kingdom
 also; for he is mine elder brother; even for him, and for Abiathar the priest, and for Joab the son of Zeruiah.

23. Then king Solomonsware by the LORD,

saying, God do so to me, and more also,

if Adonijah have not

spoken this word against his own life.

24. Now therefore, as the LORD liveth, which hath

established me, and set me on the throne of David my father, and who hath made me an house, as he promised,

Adonijah shall be put to death this day.

death this day. 25. And king

25. And kingSolomon sent by the hand of

Benaiah the son of Jehoiada;
and he fell upon him
that he died.

26. And unto Abiathar

said the king, Get thee to
Anathoth, unto thine own fields; for

thou art worthy of death:
but I will not at this time put
thee to death, because

thou barest the ark of the LORD God before David my father, and because thou hast been afflicted

in all wherein my father was afflicted.

27. So Solomon thrust out

- Abiathar from being priest unto the LORD; that he might fulfil the word of the LORD, which he spake concerning the house of Eli in Shiloh.
- 28. Then tidings came
 - to Joab: for Joab had turned after Adonijah, though he turned not after Absalom.
- And Joab fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD.
- and caught hold on the
- horns of the altar.

 29. And it was told kina
- **Solomon** that Joab was fled unto the tabernacle of the LORD:
- and, behold, he is by the altar. Then Solomon
- sent Benaiah
 the son of Jehojada.
- saying, Go, fall upon him.
 And Bengiah came
- to the tabernacle of the LORD, and said unto him.
 - Thus saith the king,
- Come forth. And he said, Nay; but I will die here. And
- Benaiah brought the king
 Word again, saying. Thus said
 Joab, and thus he answered me.
- 31. And the king said unto him.
 Do as he hath said, and fall upon him, and bury him; that thou mayest take away the innocent blood, which Joab shed, from me, and
- from the house of my father.

 32. And the LORD shall

 return his blood upon h
- return his blood upon his own head, who fell upon two men more righteous
- two men more righteous and better than he, and
- slew them with the sword, my father David not knowing thereof, to wit.
- Abner the son of Ner, captain of the host of Israel.
- and Amasa

the son of Jether, captain of the host of Judah.

- 33. Their blood shall therefore return upon the
 - head of Joab, and upon the head of his seed for ever: but upon David, and upon his seed, and upon his house, and upon his throne, shall

- there be peace for ever from the LORD.
- 34. **So Benaich** the son of Jehojada went up, and
 - fell upon him, and slew him:
 - own house in the wilderness.

 35. And the king put
- 35. And the king putBenaiah the son of Jehoiada
- in his room over the host:
- and Zadok the priest
- did the king put in the room of Abiathar.
- 36. And the king sent and called
- for Shimei, and said unto him,
- Build thee an house in
- Jerusalem, and dwell there.

 and go not forth thence
 - and go not forth thence any whither.
 - 37. For it shall be, that
- on the day thou goest out, and passest over the brook Kidron.
- thou shalf know for certain
- that thou shalt surely
 - **die:** thy blood shall be upon thine own head.
 - 38. And Shimei said unto the king, The saying is good: as my lord the king hath said, so will thy servant do.
- And Shimei dwelt inJerusalem many days.
- 39. **And** it came to pass
- at the end of three years, that
- two of the
- servants of Shimei ran
 - son of Maachah
- king of Gath. And they told Shimei, saying, Behold,
- thy servants be in Gath.
 40. And Shimei grose,
- and saddled his ass,
 and went to Gath to Achish to
 seek his servants; and Shimei went.
- and brought his
- servants from Gath.
- 41. And it was told Solomon that Shimei had gone from Jerusalem to Gath, and was come again.
 - 42. And the king sent and
- | called for

- Shimei, and said unto him.
- Did I not make thee to swear by the LORD.
- and protested unto thee, saying, Know for a certain,
- on the day thou goest out. and walkest abroad any whither, that
- thou shalt surely die? and thou saidst unto me. The word that I have heard is good.
- 43. Why then hast thou not kept the oath of the LORD, and the commandment that I have charged thee with?
- 44. The king said moreover to Shimei,
- Thou knowest all the wickedness

which thine heart is privy to.

- that thou didst to David my father:
- therefore the Lord shall return thy wickedness upon thine own head:
 - 45. And king Solomon shall be blessed, and the throne of David shall be established before the LORD for ever.
- 46. **So** the king commanded
- Bengigh the son of Jeholada: which went out, and
- fell upon him, that he died. And the kingdom was established in the hand of Solomon.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. And Solomon made
- affinity with Pharaoh king
- of Egypt, and took
- Pharaoh's daughter, and brought her into the city of David.
- until he had made an end of building his own
- house, and the house of the
- LORD, and the wall of Jerusalem round about.
- 2. Only the people
- sacrificed in high places, because there was no house built

unto the name of the LORD, until those days.

- 3. And Solomon loved the LORD, walking in the
 - statutes of David his father:

- only he sacrificed and burnt incense in high places. s i
- 4. And the king went to
 - Gibeon to sacrifice there: for that was the great high place; a thousand burnt offerings did Solomon offer upon that altar.
- 5. In Gibeon the LORD appeared to Solomon
- in a dream by night:
- and God
- said. Ask what I shall give thee.
- And Solomon said.

Thou hast shewed unto thy servant David my father great mercy. according as he walked before thee in truth, and in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart with thee: and thou hast kept for him this great kindness, that thou hast given him a son to sit on his throne. as it is this day.

- 7. And now, O LORD my God.
- thou hast made thy servant king instead of David mv father: and I am but a little
- child: I know not how to go out or come in.
 - 8. And thy servant is in the midst of thy people which thou hast chosen, a great people, that cannot be numbered nor counted for multitude.
- Give therefore thy
- servant an understanding **heart** to judge thy people,
- that I may discern between **good and bad:** for who is able
- to judge this thy so great a people? 10 And the speech pleased the LORD, that Solomon had asked
- And God said unto him.
- Because thou hast asked this thing.
- and hast not asked for
- long life; neither hast asked
- riches for thyself, nor hast asked the life of
- thine enemies; but hast
- asked for thyself

- understanding to discern judgment:
- 12. **Behold,** I have done according to thy words: lo.
 - I have given thee a wise and an understanding
- and an understanding
 heart: so that there was
- none like thee before thee.
- neither after thee
- shall any arise
- like unto thee.
- 13. And I have also given thee that which thou hast
- not asked, both riches,
 - and honour: so that there shall not be any among the kings like unto thee all thy days.
- 14. And if thou wilt walk in my ways, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as thy father David did walk, then
- I will lengthen thy days.
 - 15. And Solomon awoke; and, behold, it was a dream. And he came to Jerusalem.
- and stood before the ark of the covenant of the LORD.
- and offered up burnt offerings,
 - and offered peace offerings,
- and made a feast to all his servants.
- 16. Then came there
- two women, that were
- harlots, unto the king, and stood before him.
- 17. And the one woman
- **said**, O my lord.
- I and this woman dwell in
- one house; and I was delivered of a child
 - with her in the house.
- 18. **And** it came to pass
- the third day after that
- I was delivered, that
- this woman was delivered
 - also: and we were together; there was no stranger with us in the house, save we two in the house
- 19. And this woman's child
- died in the night;
 - because she overlaid it.
- 20. And she arose at midnight, and

- I took my son from beside me.
- while thine handmaid
- slept, and laid it in her bosom,
- and laid her dead child in my bosom.
- 21. And when I rose
 - 21. And when I rose in the morning
- to give my child suck, behold,
- it was dead: but when
 - I had considered it in the morning.
 - in the morning,
- behold, it was not my son, which I did bear.
- 22. And the other woman said, Nay; but the living is
- my son, and the dead is thy son.
 And this said, No; but the dead is thy son, and the living is my son.
- Thus they spakebefore the king.
 - 23. Then said the king. The one saith. This is my son that liveth, and thy son is the dead: and the other saith. Nay; but thy son is the dead, and my son is the living.
- 24. And the king said, Bring me a sword. And they brought a sword before the king.
- 25. And the king said,
 Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one, and half to the other.
- 26. Then spake the woman whose the living child was unto the king, for her bowels
- yearned upon her son,
 and she said, O my lord,
- give her the living child,
- and in no wise slay it. But the other said, Let it be neither
- mine nor thine, but divide it.
- 27. Then the king answered and said.
- Give her the living child, and in no wise slav it:
- she is the mother thereof.
 - 28. And all Israel heard of the judgment which the king had judged;
- and they feared the king:
 for they saw that the
- Tor they saw that the wisdom of God
 - was in him.

to do judgment.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. So king Solomon was
 - king over all Israel.
- 2. And these were the
- princes which he had;
- Azariah the son of Zadok the priest.
- 3. Elihoreph and
- a Abiab ..
- Ahiah, the sons of Shisha, scribes;

 Jehoshaphat the son
 - Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, the recorder.
 - 4. **And Benaigh** the son of Jehniada
 - was over the host: and Zadok and Abiathar were the priests:
 - 5. And Azariah the son of Nathanwas over the officers: and
 - Zabud the son of Nathan
 - was principal officer, and the king's friend:
- 6. And Ahishar was over the household: and Adoniram the son of Abda
 - Adoniram the son of Abda

 Was over the tribute.
- 7. And Solomon had twelve officers over all Israel,
 - which provided victuals for the king and his household: each man his month in a
- **year** made provision.
 - 8. And these are their names: The son of Hur, in mount Ephraim:
 - 9. The son of Dekar, in Makaz, and in Shaalbim, and Beth-shemesh, and Elon-beth-hanan:
 - 10. The son of Hesed, in Aruboth; to him pertained Sochoh, and all the land of Hepher:
 - 11. The son of Abinadab, in all the region of Dor; which had Taphath the daughter of Solomon to wife:
 - 12. Baana the son of Ahilud; to him pertained Taanach and Megiddo, and all Beth-shean, which is by Zartanah beneath Jezreel, from Beth-shean to Abel-meholah, even unto the place that is beyond Jokneam:
 - 13. The son of Geber, in Ramothgilead; to him pertained the towns of Jair the son of Manasseh, which are in

- Gilead; to him also pertained the region of Argob, which is in Bashan, threescore great cities with walls and brasen bars:
- 14. Ahinadab the son of Iddo had Mahanaim
- 15. Ahimaaz was in Naphtali; he also took Basmath the daughter of Solomon to wife:
- 16. Baanah the son of Hushai was in Asher and in Aloth:
- 17. Jehoshaphat the son of Paruah, in Issachar:
- 18. Shimei the son of
- Elah, in Benjamin:
- 19. Geber the son of Uri was in the country of Gilead, in the country of Sihon king of the Amorites, and of Og king of Bashan; and he was the only officer which was in the land.
- 20. Judah and Israel were many, as the sand which is by the sea in multitude,
- eating and drinking, andmaking merry.
- 21. And Solomon reigned over all kingdoms from the river unto the land of the Philistines, and unto the border of Egypt: they
- brought presents, and served Solomon all the days of his life.
 - 22. And Solomon's provision for one day was thirty measures of fine flour, and threescore measures of meal.
 - 23. Ten fat oxen, and twenty oxen out of the pastures, and an hundred sheep, beside harts, and roebucks, and fallowdeer, and fatted fowl.
 - 24. For he had dominion over all the region on this side the river, from Tiphsah even to Azzah, over all the kings on this side the river:
- and he had peace on all sides round about him.
- 25. And Judah and Israel
 dwelt safely, every man
 under his vine and under
- his fig tree, from Dan even to Beer-sheba.
 - all the days of Solomon.
- 26. And Solomon had forty

thousand stalls of horses for his chariots,

and twelve thousand

■ horsemen.

27. And those officers provided victual for king

Solomon, and for all that

came unto king

Solomon's table, every man in his month; they lacked nothing.

28. Barley also and straw for the horses and dromedaries brought they unto the place where the officers were, every man according to his charge.

■ 29. And God gave Solomon wisdom and

understanding exceeding much,
 and largeness of heart, even
 as the sand that is on the sea shore.

30. And Solomon's wisdom excelled the wisdom of

all the children of

the east country, and all the wisdom of

■ Egypt.

31. For he was wiser than
 all men; than Ethan the Ezrahite.
 and Heman, and Chalcol, and Darda,
 the sons of Mahol:

and his fame was in all nations round about.

32. And he spake three

thousand proverbs:
and his songs were a

thousand and five.

33. And he spake of trees,

from the cedar tree that is in Lebanon even unto the hyssop that springeth out of the wall; he spake also of

beasts, and of

fowl, and of

creeping things, and of fishes.

■ 34. And there came of all

people to hear the

wisdom of Solomon, from all kings of the earth.

which had heard of his wisdom.

CHAPTER 5

1. And Hiram king of Tyre sent his servants unto

Solomon; for he had heard that they had anointed him king in the room of his father:

for Hiram was ever a lover of David.

2. And Solomon sent to

■ Hiram, saying,
■ 3 Thou knowes

3. Thou knowest how that David

my father could not build an house unto

the name of the LORD his

God for the wars which were about him on every side, until the LORD put them under

the soles of his feet.

4. **But now** the LORD my

4. But now the LORD myGod hath given me rest on every side.

so that there is neither
adversary nor evil occurrent.

5. And, behold.

■ I purpose to build ■ an house unto

the name of the LORD my

God, as the LORD spake unto David my father, saying. Thy son, whom I will set upon thy throne in thy room, he shall build an house unto my name.

6. Now therefore command

thou that they hew me cedar trees out of

Lebanon; and my servants shall be with thy servants:

and unto thee will I give hire for thy servants according to all that thou shall appoint:

■ for thou knowest that

there is not among us any that can skill to hew

■ timber like unto the

■ Sidonians.

7. And it came to pass.

when Hiram heard the words of Solomon, that

he rejoiced greatly, and said,
Blessed be the LORD this day, which

Blessed be the LORD this day, which hath given unto David a wise son over this great people.

■ 8 And Hiram sent to

Solomon, saying, I have considered the things which thou

sentest to me for: and

- I will do all thy desire concerning timber of cedar, and concerning timber of ■ | fir.
 - 9. My servants shall bring them down from Lebanon unto the sea; and I will convey them by sea in floats unto the place that thou shalt appoint me, and will cause them to be discharged there, and thou shalt receive them:
- and thou shalt accomplish my desire, in giving food for my household. •
- 10. So Hiram aave Solomon 8 cedar trees
- and fir trees according to all his desire.
- 11. And Solomon gave **Hiram** twenty thousand measures
- of wheat for food to his household, and twenty measures of pure oil: thus gave Solomon to Hiram year by year.
- 12. And the LORD gave Solomon wisdom,
- as he promised him: and there was peace
- between Hiram and
- Solomon: and they two made a league together.
- 13. And king Solomon raised a levy out
- of all Israel; and the levy was
- thirty thousand men. 14. And he sent them to
 - **Lebanon**, ten thousand a month by courses: a month they were in Lebanon, and two months at home: and Adoniram was over the levy. 15. And Solomon had threescore
 - and ten thousand that bare burdens. and fourscore thousand hewers in the mountains:
 - 16. Beside the chief of Solomon's officers which were over the work. three thousand and three hundred. which ruled over the people that wrought in the work.
- 17. And the king commanded, and they brought great stones, costly stones, and hewed stones,
 - to lay the foundation

- of the house.
- 18 And Solomon's builders s I
 - and Hiram's builders did
- hew them, and the stonesquarers:
- so they prepared timber and stones
- $| \blacksquare |$ to build the house.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. And it came to pass
 - in the four hundred and eightieth year after the children of Israel were
- come out of the land of
- Egypt, in the fourth year of
- Solomon's reign over Israel, in the month Zif, which is the second month, that
- he began to build the
- house of the LORD.
- 2. And the house which king Solomon built for the LORD.
 - 'the length thereof
- was threescore cubits, and
- the breadth thereof
- twenty cubits, and
- the height thereof
- thirty cubits.
- 3. And the porch before the temple of the house,
- twenty cubits was the
- length thereof, according to the breadth of the house:
- and ten cubits was
- the breadth
 - thereof before the house.
 - And for the house he made. windows of narrow lights.
- And against the wall of the house
- he built chambers round about. against the walls of the house
 - round about, both of
- the temple and of the
- oracle: and he made chambers. round about:
- The nethermost chamber
- was five cubits broad, and
- the middle was
- six cubits broad.
- and the third was seven
 - cubits broad: for
 - without in the wall of the house

he made narrowed rests round about.

- that the beams should not be fastened in the walls of the house.
 - 7. And the house,
- was built of stone made ready before it was
- brought thither:
- so that there was neither
- axe nor any tool of iron heard in the house,
 - while it was in building.
 - 8. The door for the middle chamber was in the right side of the house:
- and they went up
- with winding stairs into the middle chamber, and
 - out of the middle into the third.
- 9. So he built the house,and finished it;
 - and covered the house with beams and boards of cedar.
 - And then he built chambers against all the house, five cubits high: and they rested on the house with timber of cedar.
- 11. And the word of the LORD came to
 Solomon, saying,

- 12. Concerning this house which thou art in building,
- if thou wilt walk in my statutes, and execute my judgments, and keep all my commandments to walk in them:
- then will I perform my word with thee, which I spake unto David thy father:
- 13. And I will dwell among
 the children of Israel,
 and will not forsake my people Israel.
 - 14. So Solomon built the house, and finished it.
 - 15. And he built the walls of the house within with boards of cedar, both the floor of the house, and the walls of the ceiling: and he covered them on the inside with wood, and covered the floor of the house with planks of fir.

- 16. And he built twenty cubits on the sides of the house, both the floor and the walls with boards of cedar; he even built *them* for it within, *even* for the oracle, *even* for the most holy *place*.
- 17. **And** the house, that is,
- the temple before it,
 was forty cubits long.
 - 18. And the cedar of the house within was carved with knops and open flowers: all was cedar; there was no stone seen.
- 19. And the oracle he
 prepared in the house within,
 to set there the ark of the
 covenant of the LORD.
 - 20. And the oracle in the forepart was twenty cubits in length, and twenty cubits in breadth, and twenty cubits in the height thereof:
- and he overlaid it with pure gold; and so covered the altar which was of cedar.
 - 21. So Solomon overlaid the house within with pure gold:
- and he made a partition
 by the chains of gold
 before the oracle;
 - and he overlaid it with gold.
- 22. And the whole house he overlaid with gold, until he had finished all the house:
- also the whole altar
 that was by the oracle
 he overlaid with gold.
- 23. And within the oracle he made two cherubims
 of olive tree, each ten cubits high.
 - 24. And five cubits *was* the one wing of the cherub, and five cubits the other wing of the cherub: from the uttermost part of the one wing unto the uttermost part of the other *were* ten cubits.
 - 25. And the other cherub *was* ten cubits: both the cherubims *were* of one measure and one size.
 - 26. The height of the one cherub was ten cubits, and so was it of the other cherub.
- 27. And he set the

- cherubims within the inner house: and they stretched forth the wings of the cherubims.
- so that the wing of the one touched the one wall, and the wing of the other cherub touched the other wall; and their wings touched one **another** in the midst of the house.
- 28. And he overlaid the cherubims with gold.
- 29. And he carved all the **Walls** of the house round about
- with carved
- figures of cherubims and palm trees and open flowers, within and without.
- 30. And the floors of the house
- he overlaid with gold. within and without.
- 31. And for the entering of the oracle he made doors of olive tree: the lintel and side posts were a fifth part of the wall. 32. The two doors also
- were of olive tree: and he
- carved upon them carvings of
- cherubims and
- palm trees and open
- flowers, and overlaid them with gold.
 - and spread gold upon the cherubims. and upon the palm trees.
- 33 So also made he for the door of the temple posts of olive tree.
 - a fourth part of the wall.
- 34. And the two doors were of fir tree: the two leaves of the one door were folding, and the two leaves of the other door were folding.
- 35. And he carved thereon cherubims and
- palm trees and open flowers: and covered ■ I them with gold
 - fitted upon the carved work.
- 36. And he built the inner court with three rows of
 - hewed stone, and a row of

- cedar beams.
- 37. In the fourth year was
 - the foundation
 - of the house of the LORD laid, in the month Zif:
- And in the eleventh year. in the month Bul, which is the eighth month
- was the house finished
- throughout all the parts thereof. and according to all the fashion of it. So was he seven years in building it.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. But Solomon was
- building his own house thirteen vears.
 - and he finished all his house. 2 He built also the house of
- the forest of Lebanon; the length thereof was an hundred cubits. and the breadth thereof fifty cubits. and the height thereof thirty cubits. upon four rows of cedar pillars, with
 - cedar beams upon the pillars. And it was covered with cedar above upon the beams, that lay on
 - forty five pillars, fifteen in a row. 4. And there were windows in three rows, and light was against light in
 - three ranks. 5. And all the doors and posts were square, with the windows: and light
 - was against light in three ranks. And he made a porch of pillars: the length thereof was fifty cubits, and the breadth thereof thirty cubits: and the porch was before them: and the other pillars and the thick beam were before them.
- 7. Then he made a porch for the throne where he might judge, even the porch of judgment:
- and it was covered with cedar from one side of the floor to the other.
- 8 And his house where he dwelt had another court within the porch, which was of the like work.
- Solomon made also
- an house for Pharaoh's
- daughter, whom he
- had taken to wife.

like unto this porch.

- All these were of costly stones, according to the measures of hewed stones, sawed with saws, within and without, even from the foundation unto the coping, and so on the outside toward the great court.
- 10. And the foundation was of costly stones, even great stones, stones of ten cubits, and stones of eight cubits.
- 11. And above were costly stones, after the measures of hewed stones, and cedars
- 12. And the great court round about was with three rows of hewed stones, and a row of cedar beams, both for the inner court of the house of the LORD, and for the porch of the house.
- 13. And king Solomon sent and
- fetched Hiram out of Tyre.
 - 14. He was a widow's son of the tribe of Naphtali, and his father was a man of Tyre,
- a worker in brass: and he was
- filled with wisdom, and understanding, and cunning to work all works in brass.
- And he came to king
 Solomon, and wrought
 all his work.
 - 15. For he cast two pillars of brass, of eighteen cubits high apiece: and a line of twelve cubits did compass either of them about.
 - 16. And he made two chapiters of molten brass, to set upon the tops of the pillars: the height of the one chapiter was five cubits, and the height of the other chapiter was five cubits:
 - 17. And nets of checker work, and wreaths of chain work, for the chapiters which were upon the top of the pillars; seven for the one chapiter, and seven for the other chapiter.
 - 18. And he made the pillars, and two rows round about upon the one network, to cover the chapiters that were upon the top, with pomegranates: and so did he for the other chapiter.

- 19. And the chapiters that were upon the top of the pillars were of lily work in the porch, four cubits.
- 20. And the chapiters upon the two pillars had pomegranates also above, over against the belly which was by the network: and the pomegranates were two hundred in rows round about upon the other chapiter.
- 21. And he set up the pillars in the porch of the temple: and he set up the right pillar, and called the name thereof Jachin: and he set up the left pillar, and called the name thereof Boaz.
- 22. And upon the top of the pillars was lily work: so was the work of the pillars finished.
- 23. And he made a molten sea, ten cubits from the one brim to the other: it was round all about, and his height was five cubits: and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.

 24. And under the brim of it round about there were knops compassing it, ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about: the knops were cast in

two rows, when it was cast.

- 25. It stood upon twelve oxen, three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea was set above upon them, and all their hinder parts were inward.
- 26. And it was an hand breadth thick, and the brim thereof was wrought like the brim of a cup, with flowers of filies: it contained two thousand baths.
- 27. And he made ten bases of brass; four cubits was the length of one base, and four cubits the breadth thereof, and three cubits the height of it.
- 28. And the work of the bases was on this manner: they had borders, and the borders were between the ledges: 29. And on the borders that were
- 29. And on the borders that were between the ledges were lions, oxen, and cherubims: and upon the ledges there was a base above: and beneath the lions and oxen were certain additions made of thin work.

- 30. And every base had four brasen wheels, and plates of brass: and the four corners thereof had undersetters: under the laver were undersetters molten, at the side of every addition.
- 31. And the mouth of it within the chapiter and above was a cubit: but the mouth thereof was round after the work of the base, a cubit and an half: and also upon the mouth of it were gravings with their borders, foursquare, not round.
- 32. And under the borders were four wheels; and the axletrees of the wheels were joined to the base: and the height of a wheel was a cubit and half a cubit
- 33. And the work of the wheels was like the work of a chariot wheel: their axletrees, and their naves, and their felloes, and their spokes, were all molten
- 34. And there were four undersetters to the four corners of one base: and the undersetters were of the very base itself.
- 35. And in the top of the base was there a round compass of half a cubit high: and on the top of the base the ledges thereof and the borders thereof were of the same.
- 36. For on the plates of the ledges thereof, and on the borders thereof, he graved cherubims, lions, and palm trees, according to the proportion of every one, and additions round about. 37. After this manner he made the ten bases: all of them had one casting, one measure, and one size.
- 38. Then made he ten lavers of brass: one laver contained forty baths: and every laver was four cubits: and upon every one of the ten bases one laver.
 39. And he put five bases on the right side of the house, and five on the left side of the house: and he set the sea on the right side of the house eastward over against the south.
 40. And Hiram made the lavers, and the shovels, and the basons.
- So Hiram made an end of doing all the work that he

■ | made king Solomon for the ■ | house of the LORD:

- 41. The two pillars, and the two bowls of the chapiters that were on the top of the two pillars; and the two networks, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters which were upon the top of the pillars;
- 42. And four hundred pomegranates for the two networks, even two rows of pomegranates for one network, to cover the two bowls of the chapiters that were upon the pillars;
- 43. And the ten bases, and ten lavers on the bases;
- 44. And one sea, and twelve oxen under the sea;
- 45. And the pots, and the shovels, and the basons: and all these vessels, which Hiram made to king Solomon for the house of the LORD, were of bright brass.
- 46. In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zarthan.
- 47. And Solomon left all the vessels unweighed, because they were exceeding many: neither was the weight of the brass found out.
- 48. And Solomon made all the vessels that pertained unto the house of the LORD:
- the altar of gold, and thetable of gold, whereupon
- the shewbread was,
 And the candlesticks of
- pure gold, five on the right side, and five on the left,
- before the oracle, with the
- flowers, and the
- lamps, and the
- tongs of gold,

 50. And the bowls, and the
- snuffers, and the
- basins, and the
- spoons, and the censers of pure go
 - censers of pure gold; and the hinges of gold, both for the doors of the inner house, the most holy place, and for the doors of the house, to wit, of the temple.
- 51. So was ended all the work that king Solomon

- made for the house of the LORD. And Solomon brought in
- the things which David his father
- had dedicated: even the silver, and the gold.
- and the vessels, did
- he put among the treasures
- of the house of the LORD.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Then Solomon
- assembled the elders of Israel. and all the heads of the tribes, the chief of the fathers of the children of
- Israel, unto king Solomon
- in Jerusalem, that they
- might bring up
- the ark of the covenant of the LORD
- out of the city of David, which is Zion.
 - 2. And all the men of Israel assembled themselves unto king Solomon at the feast in the month Ethanim, which is the seventh month.
 - 3. And all the elders of Israel came, and
- the priests took up the ark.
 - 4. And they
- brought up the ark of the LORD.
- and the tabernacle of the congregation.
- and all the holy vessels that were in the tabernacle, even those did the priests and the Levites bring up.
- 5. And king Solomon, and
- all the congregation of
- Israel, that were assembled unto him
- Were with him before the ark.
- sacrificing sheep and oxen, that could not be
- told nor
- numbered for multitude.
- 6. And the priests brought in
- the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, into the gracle of the house.
- to the most holy place, even under the wings of the cherubims.
 - 7. For the cherubims spread forth

their two wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above. 8. And they drew out the staves, that the ends of the staves were seen out in the holy place before the gracle. and they were not seen without: and there they are unto this day.

- There was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone, which Moses put there at Horeb, when the LORD made a covenant with the children of Israel. when they came out of the land of Eavet.
- 10. And it came to pass. when the priests were come out of the holy place. that the cloud filled the house of the LORD.
- 11. So that the priests could not stand to minister because of the cloud: for the alory of the LORD
- had filled the house of the LORD.
- 12. Then spake Solomon, The LORD said that he would dwell in the thick darkness. 13. I have surely built thee
- an house to dwell in, a settled place for thee to abide in for ever. 14. And the king turned his face about.

and blessed all

the congregation of

Israel: (and all the congregation of Israel stood:)

- 15. And he said. Blessed be the LORD God of Israel.
- which spake with his mouth unto David my father.
- and hath with his hand
- fulfilled it, saying,
- 16. Since the day that I brought forth my people Israel out of Egypt.
- I chose no city out of all the tribes of
- Israel to build an house, that my name might be therein;
- but I chose David
 - to be over my people Israel. 17. And it was in the heart

of David my father to build an house for the name of the

LORD God of Israel

18. And the LORD said unto David my father.

Whereas it was in thine

heart to build an house unto my name.

thou didst well

that it was in thine heart.

19. Nevertheless thou

shalt not build the house:

but thy son that shall come forth out of thy loins, he

shall build the house unto my name.

20. And the LORD hath

performed his word that he spake, and

am risen up in the room of David my father, and sit on the throne of Israel. as the LORD promised, and

have built an house for the name of the LORD

God of Israel

21. And I have

set there

a place for the ark, wherein is the covenant of the LORD, which he made with our fathers, when he brought them out of the land of Egypt.

22. And Solomon stood before the altar

> of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel,

and spread forth his

■ hands toward heaven: 23. And he said, LORD God of Israel,

there is no God like thee, in

heaven above, or on earth beneath.

who keepest covenant and mercy with thy servants that walk before thee

with all their heart:

24. Who hast kept with thy servant

David my father

that thou promiseds him:

thou spakest also with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day.

25 Therefore now

LORD God of Israel.

keep with thy servant David my father

> that thou promisedst him, saving,

There shall not fail thee

a man in my sight

to sit on the throne of Israel: so that thy children

take heed to their way, that they walk before me

as thou hast walked before me.

26. And now, O God of Israel,

let thy word, I pray thee,

be verified, which thou spakest unto the servant David my father.

27. But will God indeed

dwell on the earth? behold the heaven and heaven of heavens

cannot contain thee: how

much less this house that I have builded?

28. Yet have thou respect unto the prayer of thy

servant, and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and to the prayer, which thy servant prayeth before thee to-day:

29. That thine eyes may be open toward this house **night and day**, even toward the place of which thou hast said, My name shall be there: that thou mayest hearken unto the prayer which thy servant shall make toward this place.

And hearken thou

to the supplication of thy servant, and of the people

Israel, when they shall pray toward this place:

> and hear thou in heaven thy dwelling place:

and when thou hearest, forgive.

31. If any man trespass

against his neighbour, and

an oath be laid

upon him to cause him to swear.

and the oath come before thine altar in this house:

32. Then hear thou

in heaven, and do,

- and judge thy servants, condemning the wicked, to bring his way upon his head;
- and justifying the
- righteous, to give him according to his righteousness.
- 33. When thy people
- Israel be smitten down
- before the enemy, because they have sinned against thee.
- and shall turn again to thee.
- and confess thy name,

and pray, and make supplication unto thee in this house:

- 34. Then hear thou in heaven,
 - and forgive the sin of thy people Israel,
- and bring them again
 unto the land which thou gavest unto their fathers.
- 35. When heaven is shut up, and
- there is no rain, because
- they have sinned against thee;
- if they pray toward this
- place, and confess thy name, and turn from their
- sin, when thou afflictest them:
- 36. Then hear thou in heaven,
- and forgive the sin

of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, that thou

- teach them the good way wherein they should walk.
 - and give rain upon thy land, which thou hast given to thy people for an inheritance.
- 37. If there be in the land
- **famine**, if there be
- pestilence, blasting,
- mildew, locust, or if there be
 - caterpiller; if their enemy besiege them in the land of their cities;
- whatsoever plague,whatsoever sicknessthere be;

toward this house:

- 38. What prayer and supplication soever be made by any man, or by all thy people Israel, which shall know every man the plague of his own heart, and spread forth his hands
- 39. **Then hear thou** in heaven thy dwelling place.

- I and forgive, and do,
- and give to every manaccording to his ways,

whose heart thou knowest; (for thou, even thou only, knowest the hearts of all the children of men;)

- 40. That they may fear thee all the days that they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.
 - 41. Moreover concerning a stranger, that is not of thy people Israel, but cometh out of a far country for thy name's sake;
 - 42. (For they shall hear of thy great name, and of thy strong hand, and of thy stretched out arm;) when he shall come and pray toward this house;
 - 43. **Hear thou**

in heaven thy dwelling place,

- and do according to all that the stranger calleth to
- thee for: that all people of the earth
- may know thy name, to fear thee, as do thy
- people Israel; and
- that they may know that this house, which I have builded.
- is called by thy name.
- 44. If thy people go out ■ to battle against their
 - enemy, whithersoever thou shalt send them.
- and shall pray

unto the LORD toward the city which thou hast chosen, and

- toward the house
- that I have built for thy name:
- 45. Then hear thou in heaven their prayer and their supplication.
 and maintain their cause.
- 46. If they sin against thee,
- 46. If they sin a
 (for there is
 - no man that

- sinneth not,) and thou be
- angry with them,
- and deliver them to the enemy, so that they carry them away captives unto the land of the enemy, far or near;
- 47. **Yet if they** shall bethink themselves in the land whither they were carried captives, and

- repent, and make supplication unto thee in the land of them that carried them captives.
- saying, We have sinned, and have done perversely, we have committed wickedness;
- 48. And so return unto thee with all their heart, and with all their soul, in the land of their enemies, which led them away captive.
- and pray unto thee toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, the city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name:
- 49. Then hear thou
 their prayer and their supplication in heaven thy dwelling place, and maintain their cause.
- 50. And forgive thy people that have sinned against thee, and all their transgressions wherein they have transgressed against thee, and give them compassion before them who carried them captive, that they may have compassion on them:
- 51. For they be thy people, and thine inheritance, which thou broughtest forth out of Egypt, from the midst of the furnace of iron:
- 52. That thine eyes may be open unto the supplication of thy servant, and unto the supplication of thy people
- **Israei**, to hearken unto them in all that they call for unto thee.
- 53. For thou didst separate
 them from among all the
 people of the earth, to be
- people of the earth, to be thine inheritance, as thou spakest by the hand of Moses thy servant, when thou broughtest our fathers out of Egypt, O LORD God.
- 54. And it was so, that
- when Solomon had made an end of praying

all this prayer and supplication unto the LORD.

- he arose from before the altar of the LORD, from kneeling on his knees with his hands spread up to heaven.
- 55. And he stood, andblessed all the congregation of

- | Israel with a loud voice,
- **■** saying,
- 56. Blessed be the LORD,
- that hath given rest unto his people Israel.
- according to all that he
 - promised: there hath not failed one word of all his good promise, which he promised by the hand of Moses his servant.
 - 57. The LORD our
- God be with us,
- as he was with our fathers:
- let him not leave us, nor
- forsake us:
- 58. That he may incline our
- hearts unto him, to walk in all his ways, and
 - to keep his

■ commandments,

and his statutes, and his judgments, which he commanded our fathers.

- 59. **And let** these
- my words, wherewith I have made supplication before the LORD,
- be nigh unto the LORD our
 God day and night, that he
- maintain the cause of his servant, and the cause of his people
- Israel at all times, as the matter shall require:
- 60. That all the people
- of the earth may know that the LORD is God.
- and that there is none else.
- 61. **Let your heart** therefore
- **be perfect** with the LORD our God, to walk in his statutes, and
- to keep his
- commandments,
- as at this day.
- 62. And the king, and
- all Israel with him,
 - offered sacrifice before the LORD.
 - 63. And Solomon offered a sacrifice of peace offerings, which he offered unto the LORD, two and twenty thousand oxen, and an hundred and twenty thousand sheep.
- So the king and all

the children of

- I Israel dedicated the house of the LORD.
- 64. The same day did the king hallow the middle of
 - the court that was before the
- house of the LORD:

 for there he offered burnt
- offerings, and meat offerings,
- and the fat of the
 - peace offerings: because the brasen altar that was before the LORD was too little to receive the burnt offerings, and meat offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings.
- 65. And at that time ■ Solomon held a feast:

and all Israel with him, a great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt, before the LORD our God, seven days and seven days, even

■ fourteen days.

- 66. On the eighth day hesent the people away: and
- they blessed the king, and
- went unto their tents joyful
- and glad of heart
- for all
- the goodness that
- the LORD had done for
- David his servant,
- and for Israel his people.

CHAPTER 9

- And it came to pass, when Solomon had finished the building of the house of the LORD, and the king's house, and all Solomon's desire which he was pleased to do.
- 2. That the LORD appeared to Solomon the second
- time, as he had appeared unto him at Gibeon.
- 3. And the LORD said unto him,I have heard thy prayer
- and thy supplication, that thou hast made before me:
- I have hallowed this house, which thou hast built,
- to put my name there for
 - **ever**; and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually.

- 4. And if thou wilt walkbefore me, as David thy
 - father walked, in integrity of heart, and in uprightness.
- to do according to
 - all that I have commanded thee, and wilt keep my statutes and my judgments:
- 5. Then I will establish the throne of
- thy kingdom upon Israel for ever, as I promised to David thy father, saying. There shall not fail thee a man upon the throne of Israel.
- 6. **But if ye** shall at all turn from following me, ye or your children, and will not keep my
- commandments and my statutes which I have set before you.
- but go and serve other gods, and worship them:
- 7. Then will I cut off Israel out of the land which I have given them;
 and this house, which I have hallowed for my name.
- will I cast out of my sight;
 and Israel shall be

a proverb and

- a byword among all people:
- 8. And at this house, which is high.

every one

that passeth by it shall be astonished, and shall hiss; and they

- shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto this
- land, and to this house?9. And they shall answer,
- Because they forsook the LORD their God, who brought forth their fathers out of the land of Egypt. and have taken hold upon other gods, and have worshipped them, and served them; therefore half life LORD
- brought upon them all this evil.

 10. **And** it came to pass
- at the end of twenty years, when Solomon had built the two houses, the house of the LORD, and the king's house.
 - 11. (Now Hiram the king of Tyre had

furnished Solomon with cedar trees. and fir trees, and with gold, according to all his desire.) that then

king Solomon gave Hiram twenty cities in the land of

Galilee.

12. And Hiram came out from Tyre to see the cities

which Solomon had given him; and they pleased him not.

13. And he said. What cities are these which thou hast given me. my brother?

And he called them the land of Cabul ■ I unto this day.

14. And Hiram sent to l the kina sixscore

talents of gold.

15. And this is the reason

of the levy which king Solomon raised: for

to build the house

of the LORD, and his own house, and

Millo, and

the wall of Jerusalem, and Hazor, and

Megiddo, and Gezer.

16. For Pharach king of Egypt had gone up, and taken

Gezer, and burnt it with fire.

and slain the Canaanites that dwelt in the city.

■ and given if for a present ■ unto his daughter,

■ Solomon's wife.

■ 17. And Solomon built

■' Gezer, and

■ Beth-horon the nether.

18. And Baalath, and Tadmor

in the wilderness, in the land. ■ 19. And all the cities of

store that Solomon had, and

cities for his

chariots, and cities for his

horsemen, and that which Solomon desired to build in Jerusalem, and in Lebanon, and in all

the land of his dominion. ■ 20. And all the people that were

left of the Amorites, Hittites Perizzites, Hivites, and Jebusites,

which were not of the

children of Israel.

21. Their children that were left. after them in the land.

whom the children of

Israel also

were not able utterly

to destroy, upon those did • Solomon levy a tribute of

bondservice unto this day.

22. But of the children.

of Israel did Solomon make no bondmen:

but they were men

of war, and his servants, and his

princes, and his

captains, and rulers of his chariots, and

his horsemen.

23. These were the chief of the

Officers that were

over Solomon's work. five hundred and fifty.

which bare rule over the people

that wrought in the work.

24. But Pharaoh's daughter

came up out of the city of David unto her house which

Solomon had built for her:

then did he build Millo.

25. And three times in a year did Solomon offer burnt

offerings and peace offerings upon the altar which he built unto the LORD,

and he burnt incense upon the altar that was before the LORD.

So he finished the house.

26. And king Solomon made a navy of ships in

Ezion-geber, which is beside Eloth,

on the shore of the

Red sea, in the land of Edom.

27. And Hiram sent in the

navy his servants.

shipmen that had

knowledge of the sea, with

- the servants of Solomon.
 28. And they came to Ophir,
 and fetched from thence
- and refered from thence
 gold, four hundred
- and twenty talents,
 - and brought it to king Solomon.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. And when the queen ofSheba heard of the fame
- of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD,
- she came to prove him with hard questions.
 - And she came to Jerusalem with a very great train, with camels that bare spices, and very much gold, and precious stones:
- and when she was come to Solomon.
- she communed with him of all that was in her heart.
- 3. And Solomon told herall her questions:

there was not *any* thing hid from the king, which he told her not.

- 4. And when the queen of Sheba had seen all Solomon's wisdom, and the house that he had built,
- 5. And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel, and his cupbearers, and his ascent by which he went up unto the house of the LORD: there was no more spirit in her.
- 6. And she said to the king,
 It was a true report that I
 heard in mine own land of thy acts and of thy wisdom.
- 7. Howbeit I believed not the words.
- until I came, and mine eyes had seen it:
- and, behold, the half was not told me: thy wisdom
 and prosperity exceedeth
 the fame which I heard.
 - 8. Happy *are* thy men, happy *are* these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, *and* that hear thy wisdom.
 - 9. Blessed be the LORD

- thy God, which delighted
- in thee, to set thee on the throne of Israel: because the LORD loved Israel for ever, therefore made he thee king, to do judgment and justice.
- 10. And she gave the king
 an hundred and twenty
 talents of gold, and of
- spices very great store,
 - and precious stones: there came no more such abundance of spices as these which the queen of Sheba gave to king Solomon.
- 11. And the navy also of Hiram,

that brought gold from Ophir,

- brought in from Ophir great plenty of
- almug trees, and precious stones.
 - 12. And the king made of the almug trees pillars for the house of the LORD, and for the king's house, harps also and psalteries for singers: there came no such almug trees, nor were seen unto this day.
- 13. And king Solomon gave unto the queen of Sheba all her desire,
 - whatsoever she asked, beside that which Solomon gave her of his royal bounty.
- So she turned and went to her own country, she and her servants.
- 14. Now the weight of gold
 that came to Solomon in
 one year was six hundred
 threescore and six talents
- of gold,
 15. **Beside** that he had of the merchantmen, and of the traffic of the
- spice merchants, and of all the kings of Arabia, and of
- the governorsof the country.
- 16. And king Solomon ■ made two hundred
- targets of beaten
- **gold:** six hundred *shekels* of gold went to one target.
 - 17. And he made

three hundred shields of

gold; three pound of gold went to one shield: and the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

18. Moreover the king made

a great

throne of ivory, and

overlaid it

with the best

gold.

19. The throne had six

steps, and the top of the throne was round behind:

and there were stays on

either side on the place of the seat.

and two lions stood

beside the stays.

20. And twelve lions stood there

on the

one side and on the other upon the six steps: there was

not the like made in any kingdom. 21. And all king Solomon's

drinking vessels were of gold, and all the vessels

of the house of the forest of Lebanon were of pure gold; none were of silver: it was nothing accounted of in the days of Solomon.

■ 22. For the king had at sea a navy of Tharshish with the navy of Hiram: once in three years came the navy of Tharshish,

■ | bringing gold, and silver, ivory, and

■ apes, and peacocks.

23. So king Solomon

exceeded all the kings of the earth for riches and for wisdom.

24. And all the earth sought to Solomon.

to hear his wisdom, which ■ God had put in his heart.

25. And they brought every man his present, vessels of

silver, and vessels of

gold, and

garments, and

■ armour, and

spices, horses, and mules. a rate year by year.

26. And Solomon

gathered together chariots and horsemen; and he

had a thousand and

four hundred chariots, and

twelve thousand

horsemen, whom he bestowed in the cities for chariots, and with the king at Jerusalem.

27. And the king made

silver to be

in Jerusalem as stones.

and cedars made he to be

as the sycomore trees that are in the vale, for abundance. 28. And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the

king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.

29. And a chariot came up and went out of Egypt for six hundred shekels of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so for all the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, did they bring them out by their means.

CHAPTER 11

1. But king Solomon loved many strange women,

together with the daughter of Pharaoh, women of the Moabites, Ammonites, Edomites, Zidonians, and Hittites:

Of the nations

concerning which the LORD

said unto the children of Israel,

Ye shall not go in to them, neither shall they come in unto you:

for surely

they will turn away your heart after their gods:

Solomon clave unto these in love.

3. And he had seven

hundred wives.

princesses, and three

hundred concubines: and his wives turned away his heart.

For it came to pass,

when Solomon was old, that his wives turned away his

heart after other gods: and

his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as was the heart of David his father.

- 5. For Solomon went afterAshtoreth the goddess of
- the Zidonians, and after
- Milcom the abomination
- of the Ammonites.
- 6. **And Solomon** did evil in the sight of the LORD, and
- went not fully after the LORD, as *did* David
- his father.
 - 7. Then did Solomon build an high place for
- Chemosh, the abomination
- of Moab, in the hill that is before Jerusalem
- and for Molech, the abomination of the children
- of Ammon.
- 8. And likewise did he for all his strange wives.
- | which burnt incense and
- sacrificed unto their gods.
- 9. And the LORD was angry with Solomon,

because his heart was turned from the LORD God of Israel, which had appeared unto him twice,

- 10. And had commanded him concerning this thing, that he should not go after other gods: but he kept not that which the LORD commanded
- 11. Wherefore the LORD
- said unto Solomon,
- | Forasmuch as

this is done of thee, and

- thou hast not kept my
- Covenant and my statutes, which I have commanded thee,
- I will surely
 - rend the kingdom from
- **thee**, and will give it to thy servant.
- 12. Notwithstanding in thy days I will not do it for
- David thy father's sake: but I will rend it out of the hand of thy son.
- 13. Howbeit I will
- not rend away
- all the kingdom; but willgive one tribe to thy son
 - for David my servant's sake.

- and for Jerusalem's sake which I have chosen.
- 14. And the LORD stirred up an adversary unto Solomon,
 Hadad the Edomite: he was of the king's seed in Edom.
- 15. **For** it came to pass,
- when David was in Edom,
 and Joab the captain of the host
 was gone up to bury the
 slain, after he had smitten
 every male in Edom;
 - (For six months did Joab remain there with all Israel, until he had cut off every male in Edom.)
- 17. That Hadad fled, he and certain Edomites of his father's servants with him, to go
 into Egypt; Hadad being
- Into Egypt; Hadad being
 yet a little child.
 18 And they grose out of Midte
 - 18. And they arose out of Midian, and came to Paran: and they took men with them out of Paran, and they came to Egypt, unto
- came to Egypt, unto
 Pharaoh king of Egypt;
 which gave him an house,
 - and appointed him
- victuals, and gave him land.
- 19. And Hadad found
 great favour in the sight
 of Pharaoh, so that he
 aave him to wife

the sister of his own wife,

- the sister of Tahpenes the queen.
- 20. And the sister of Tahpenes bare him Genubath his
 - SON, whom Tahpenes weaned in Pharaoh's house: and Genubath was in Pharaoh's household among the sons of Pharaoh
 - 21. And when Hadad heard in Egypt
- that David slept with his fathers, and that Joab the captain of the host was dead
- Hadad said to Pharaoh,
 Let me depart, that I may go
- to mine own country.

 22. Then Pharaoh said
 - unto him, But what hast thou lacked with

me, that, behold, thou seekest to go to thine own country?

And he answered, Nothing:
 howbeit let me go in any wise.
 23. And God stirred him up another adversary, Rezon
 the son of Eliadah, which fled

from his lord Hadadezer king of Zobah:

24. And he gathered men unto him, and became captain over a

band, when David slew them of Zobah:
and they went to
Damascus, and

dwelt therein, and

reigned in Damascus.

25. And he was an
adversary to Israel all
the days of Solomon.

beside the mischief that Hadad *did:* and he abhorred Israel, and reigned over Syria.

26. And Jeroboam the son

of Nebat, an Ephrathite of Zereda,
 Solomon's servant, whose mother's name was Zeruah, a widow

mother's name was Zeruah, a wido woman, even he lifted up his hand

against the king.

27. And this was the

cause that he lifted up *his* hand against the king:

Solomon built Millo, and repaired the breaches of

the city of David his father.

■ 28. **And** the man

■ Jeroboam was a

■ mighty man of valour:

and Solomon seeing

the young man

that he was industrious, he made him ruler over all

the charge of

■ the house of Joseph.

29. And it came to pass at that time when Jeroboam went out

of Jerusalem, that

the prophet Ahijah

the Shilonite

found him in the way; and he had

■ clad himself

with a new garment; and they two were alone in the field:

30. And Ahijah cauaht the new

garment that was on him, and rent it in twelve pieces:

rent it in twelve pieces:

31. And he said to Jeroboam.

Take thee ten pieces: for thus saith the LORD,

the God of Israel, Behold,

I will rend the kingdom
out of the hand of Solomon,
and will give ten tribes
to thee:

32. (But he shall have one tribe for my servant David's sake, and for Jerusalem's sake, the city which I have chosen out of all the tribes of Israel:)

■ 33. **Because** that

they have forsaken me, and have worshipped Ashtoreth the goddess of the Zidonians,

■ Chemosh the god of the Moabites,

and Milcom the god of the children of Ammon.

■ and have not walked

in my ways, to do that which is right in mine eyes, and to keep my statutes and my judgments, as did David his father.

34. Howbeit I will not take the whole kingdom out of his hand:

but I will make him

prince all the days of his life for David my

servant's sake, whom I chose, because he kept my commandments and my statutes:

■ 35. But I will take the

kingdom out of his son's

hand, and will

give it unto thee, even

i i thee, even i ten tribes.

36. And unto his son will I give one tribe, that David

my servant

may have a light alway before me

in Jerusalem, the city which I have chosen me to put my name there.

37. And I will take thee.

- and thou shalt reign according to all that thy soul desireth, and
 shalf be king over Israel.
 38. And it shall be,
- if thou wilt hearken unto all that I command thee, and wilt walk in my ways, and do that is right in my sight, to keep my statutes and my commandments, as David my servant did; that
- I will be with thee,
 - and build thee a sure house, as I built for David.
 - and will give Israel unto thee.
- 39. And I will for this
- afflict the seed of David,but not for ever.
- 40. Solomon sought therefore
- to kill Jeroboam. And Jeroboam arose, and
- fled into Egypt, unto Shishak king of Egypt, and was in Egypt
- until the death of Solomon.
- 41. And the rest of the acts of Solomon,
 - and all that he did, and his wisdom.
- are they not
- written in the book of the acts of Solomon?
 - 42. And the time that
- Solomon reigned in Jerusalem over all Israel was
- forty years.
- 43. And Solomon slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of David his father:
- and Rehoboam his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. And Rehoboam went to
 Shechem: for all Israel
 were come to Shechem
- to make him king.
- 2. And it came to pass,when Jeroboam the son of
- Nebat, who was yet in Egypt,
- heard of it, (for he was fled from the presence of king Solomon, and Jeroboam dwelt in Egypt;)
 - 3. That they sent and called him. And Jeroboam and all the
- congregation of Israel

- came, and spake unto Rehoboam, savina.
 - 4. Thy father made our yoke
- grievous: now therefore make thou the grievous service of thy father, and
 - his heavy yoke which he put upon us,
- lighter, and we will serve thee.
- 5. And he said unto them.
 - Depart yet for three days, then come again to me.
- And the people departed.
- 6. And king Rehoboam
 consulted with the old men,
 that stood before Solomon his father
 while he yet lived.
- and said, How do ye
 advise that I may answer
 this people?
- 7. And they spake unto him,
- saying, If thou wilt be
- a servant unto this people this day,
 - and will serve them, and answer them, and speak good words to them.
- then they will be thy servants for ever.
- 8. But he forsook the counsel of the old men, which they had given him, and
 - consulted with the young men that were grown up with him, and which stood before him:
 - 9. **And he said** unto them,
- What counsel give ye that we may answer this people.

who have spoken to me, saying. Make the yoke which thy father did put upon us lighter?

- 10. And the young men that were grown up with him
 spake unto him.
- saying, Thus shalt
- thou speak unto this people that spake unto thee, saying, Thy father made our yoke heavy, but make thou it lighter unto us; thus shalt thou say unto them,
 - My little *finger* shall be thicker than my father's loins.

- 11. And now whereas my father did lade you with a heavy voke, I will add to your yoke:
- my father hath chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with
- scorpions.
- 12. So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam
- the third day, as the king had appointed, saving, Come to me again the third day.
- 13. And the king answered the people
- roughly, and forsook the old men's counsel that they gave him;
- 14. And spake to them after the counsel of the young men,
- saving. My father made your yoke heavy, and
- I will add to your yoke: my father also chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions. 15. Wherefore the king hearkened not unto the people; for the cause was from the LORD, that he might perform his saying, which the LORD spake by Ahijah the Shilonite unto Jeroboam the son of Nebat.
- 16. So when all Israel saw that the king hearkened not unto them, the people
- answered the king.
- saying, What portion have we in David? neither have we inheritance in the son of Jesse: to your tents. O Israel: now see to thine own house. David.
- So Israel departed unto their tents.
 - 17. But as for the children of Israel which dwelt in the cities of Judah. Rehoboam reigned over them.
- 18. Then king Rehoboam sent Adoram, who was
- over the tribute: and all
- Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. Therefore king
- Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot,
 - to flee to Jerusalem.
 - 19. So Israel rebelled against the

- house of David unto this day.
- And it came to pass.
 - when all Israel heard that Jeroboam was come
- again, that
- they sent and called him unto the congregation, and
- made him kina over all
- Israel: there was none that followed the house of David, but the tribe of Judah only.
- 21. And when
- Rehoboam
- was come to Jerusalem, he
- assembled all the house of
- Judah, with the tribe of
- Benjamin, an hundred and fourscore thousand chosen men. which were warriors
- to fight against the house of
- Israel, to bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam
 - the son of Solomon.
- 22. But the word of God came unto Shemaiah
 - the man of God.
- saying,
- 23. Speak unto Rehoboam, the son of Solomon, king of Judah,
- and unto all the house of
- Judah and Benjamin, and to the remnant of the people, saying, 24. Thus saith the LORD,
- Ye shall not go up, nor fight against your brethren
 - the children of Israel: return every man to his house; for this thing is from me.
- They hearkened therefore
- to the word of the LORD. and returned to depart.
- according to the word of the LORD. 25. Then Jeroboam built
- Shechem in mount Ephraim,
- and dwelt therein; and went out from thence.
- and built Penuel.
- 26. And Jeroboam said in
- his heart, Now shall the П kingdom return to the
- house of David:
 - 27. If this people go
 - up to do sacrifice in

the house of the LORD at Jerusalem, then shall the heart of

this people turn again unto their lord, even unto

■ Rehoboam king of Judah.

and they shall kill me, and go again to Rehoboam king of Judah.

28. Whereupon the king look counsel, and

■ made two calves *of* gold,

and said unto them, It is too much for you to go up to Jerusalem:

■ behold thy gods,

O Israel, which brought thee up out of the land of Egypt.
 And he set the one in Beth-el,

and the other put he in Dan.

30. And this thing became a

30. And this thing became c
 sin: for the people went to
 worship before the

■ One, even unto Dan.

31. And he made an house of high places,

and made priests of the lowest of the people, which were

not of the sons

not of the sons

of Levi.

32. And Jeroboam ordained a feast

in the eighth month, on the fifteenth day of the month,

■ like unto

the feast that is in Judah.

and he offered upon the altar.

So did he in Beth-el,
sacrificing unto the calves

that he had made: and he placed in Beth-el the priests of the high places which he had made.

33. So he offered upon the altar which he had made in Beth-el the fifteenth day of the eighth month, even in the month which he had devised of his own heart; and ordained a feast unto the children of Israel: and he offered upon the altar, and burnt incense.

CHAPTER 13

1. And, behold, there came a man of God out of Judah by the word of the LORD

unto Beth-el: and
Jeroboam stood by the

altar to burn incense.

2. And he cried
against the altar in

the word of the LORD, and said, O altar, altar,

said, O altar, altar, thus saith the LORD; Behold.

a child shall be born unto
 the house of David, Josiah
 by name; and upon thee
 shall he offer the priests

of the high places

that burn incense upon thee,
and men's bones shall be
burnt upon thee

burnt upon thee.
3. And he gave a sign the same day, saving.

This is the sign which

the LORD hath spoken;
 Behold, the altar shall be
 rent, and the ashes

that are upon it shall be poured out.

4. And it came to pass,

■ when king

Jeroboam heard the saying of the man of God, which had cried against the altar in Beth-el, that he put forth his hand from

he put forth his hand from the altar, saying, Lay hold on him. And his hand, which he out forth against him.

dried up, so that he could
not pull if in again to him.
5 The altar also was rent.

5. The altar also was rent, and the ashes poured out from the altar.

according to the sign which the man of God had given by

the word of the LORD.

6. And the king answered and said unto the man of God.
 Entreat now the face of the LORD thy God. and

pray for me, that my hand may be restored me again.

And the man of God

besought the LORD, and the

| besought the LORD, and the king's hand was restored

him again, and became as it was before.

7. And the king said

unto the man of God.

Come home with me, and refresh thyself, and I will give thee a reward.

8. And the man of God said unto the king, If thou wilt give me half thine house,

 I will not go in with thee, neither will I eat bread nor drink water in this place:
 9. For so was it charged me

 For so was if charged m by the word of the LORD, saying,
 Eat no bread, nor drink water, nor turn again by the same way that thou camest.

10. So he went another way, and returned not by the way that he came

i to Beth-el.

11. Now there dwelt an old prophet in Beth-el; and his

■ SONS came and

the man of God had done
that day in Beth-el: the words which

he had spoken unto the king, them they told also to their father.

12. And their father said unto them, What way went he? For his sons had seen what way the man of God went, which came from Judah.

13. And he said unto his sons, Saddle me the ass.
 So they saddled him the ass: and he rode thereon,

14. And went after the man of God, and found him sitting under an oak: and he said unto him,

Art thou the man

from Judah? And he said,

■ 15. **Then he said** unto him,

■ Come home with me, and eat bread.

16. And he said, I may not return with thee, nor go in with thee: neither will I eat bread nor drink water with thee in this place:

■ 17. For it was said to me by the word of the LORD,

Thou shalt

 eat no bread nor drink water there, nor turn again to go by the way that thou camest.

■ 18. **He said** unto him,

I am a prophet also as thou art;

and an angel spake unto

saying, Bring him back with thee into thine house, that he may eat bread and drink water.

■ But he lied unto him.

19. So he went back with him, and did eat bread in his house,

■ 20. And it came to pass,

and drank water

as they sat at the table, that the word of the LORD came unto the prophet that brought him back:

21. **And he cried** unto the man of God that came from Judah.

saying, Thus saith the LORD, Forasmuch as thou hast disobeyed the mouth of the

 LORD, and hast not kept the commandment which the LORD thy God commanded thee,

22. But camest back, and hast eaten bread and drunk water in the place, of the which *the LORD* did say to thee, Eat no bread, and drink no water:

thy carcase shall not
come unto the sepulchre
of thy fathers.

23. And it came to pass, after he had eaten bread, and after he had drunk, that

■ he saddled for him

■ the ass, to wit,

for the prophet whom he had brought back.

■ 24. And when he was gone,

a lion met him by the way,

and slew him:

and his carcase was cast in the way, and the ass stood by it, the lion also stood by the carcase.

25. And, behold, men passed by, and saw the

carcase cast in the way, and the lion standing by

the carcase: and they came and told it in the city where the old prophet dwelt. 26. And when the prophet that brought him back from the way

heard thereof.

he said. It is the man of God, who was disobedient unto the word of the LORD: therefore the LORD hath delivered him unto the

lion, which hath torn him, and slain him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake unto him. 27. And he spake to his sons. saving. Saddle me the ass. And they saddled him.

28. And he went and found his carcase cast in the way. and the ass

and the lion standing by the carcase:

the lion had not eaten the Carcase, nor torn the ass.

29. And the prophet took up the carcase of the man of God.

and laid it upon the ass. and brought it back:

and the old prophet came to the city. to mourn and to bury him.

30 And he laid his carcase in his own grave; and they mourned over him, saying, Alas, my brother!

31. And it came to pass.

after he had buried him, that

he spake to his sons.

saying, When I

am dead, then

bury me in the sepulchre

wherein the man of God is buried:

lay my bones beside his bones:

32. For the saving which he cried by the word of the LORD

against the altar in Beth-el.

and against all the houses of

the high places

which are in the cities of Samaria.

shall surely come to pass.

33. After this thing

Jeroboam returned not from his evil way, but made again

of the lowest of the people priests of the high places; whosoever would, he consecrated him, and he became one of the priests of the high places.

34. And this thing became sin unto the house of

Jeroboam, even to cut it

off. and to destroy it from off the face of

the earth.

CHAPTER 14

1. At that time Abijah the son of Jeroboam fell sick.

2 And Jeroboam said to his wife, Arise, I pray thee, and

disguise thyself,

that thou be not known to be the wife of Jeroboam; and

get thee to Shiloh: behold. there is Ahijah the prophet, which told me that I should be king over this people.

> 3. And take with thee ten loaves, and cracknels, and a cruse of honey, and ao to him:

he shall tell thee what shall become of the child.

4. And Jeroboam's wife did SO, and arose, and went to Shiloh. and came to the house of Ahijah.

But Ahijah could not see: for his eyes were set by reason of his

age.

5. And the LORD said unto

Ahijah, Behold,

the wife of Jeroboam

cometh to ask a thing of thee for her son: for he is sick; thus and thus shalt thou say unto her; for it shall be.

when she cometh in, that she shall feign herself

to be another woman.

6. **And** it was so, when Ahijah heard the sound of her feet.

as she came in at the door, that he said, Come in, thou wife

of Jeroboam; why feignest thou thyself to be another?

for I am sent to thee with

heavy tidings.

7. Go. tell Jeroboam. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. Forasmuch as I exalted

thee from among the people. ■ | and made thee prince

over my people Israel,

8. And rent the kinadom

away from the house of ■ David, and gave it thee:

and vet thou hast not been as my servant David, who

kept my commandments, and who followed me with all his heart, to do that only which was right in mine eyes;

9. But hast done

evil above all that were

before thee: for thou hast gone and made thee other gods, and molten images, to provoke me to anger, and hast cast me behind thy back:

10. Therefore, behold.

■ I will bring evil upon the house of Jeroboam, and will cut off from Jeroboam him that pisseth against the wall, and him that

is shut up and left in Israel, and will take away the

remnant of the house

of Jeroboam, as a man taketh away duna.

till it be all gone.

11. Him that dieth of Jeroboam in the city shall

the dogs eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the

fowls of the air

eat: for the LORD hath spoken it.

12. Arise thou therefore.

get thee to thine own house: and when thy feet enter into the city.

the child shall die.

13. And all Israel shall mourn for him, and

bury him: for he only of

Jeroboam shall come ■ to the grave, because

in him there is found

some good thing toward the LORD God of Israel in the house of Jeroboam.

14. Moreover the LORD

shall raise him

up a kina over Israel, who shall cut off the house of

Jeroboam that day: but what? even now.

15. For the LORD

shall smite Israel.

as a reed is shaken in the water. and he shall

root up Israel out of this good land, which he gave to their fathers,

and shall

scatter them beyond

the river, because they have made their groves,

provoking the LOŘD

to anaer.

16. And he shall give Israel

up because of the sins of

Jeroboam, who

did sin, and who

made Israel to sin. 17 And Jeroboam's

wife arose, and departed, and came to Tirzah:

and when she came to the threshold of

the door, the child died:

18. And they buried him; and all Israel mourned for him, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by the hand of his servant Ahijah the prophet.

19. And the rest of the acts of Jeroboam, how he warred,

and how he reigned, behold, they are written in the book of

the chronicles of the

kings of Israel. 20. And the days which

Jeroboam reigned were

two and twenty years: and

he slept with his fathers. and Nadab his son

reigned in his stead.

21. And Rehoboam the son of Solomon

reigned in Judah. Rehoboam was forty and one years old when he

began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years in Jerusalem,

the city which the LORD did choose out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name

was Naamah an Ammoniless.

22. And Judah did evil in the sight of the LORD, and they provoked him to jealousy with their sins which they had committed, above

all that their fathers had done.

23. For they also built them high places, and

images, and groves, on every high hill, and under every green tree.

24. And there were also

sodomites in the land: and they did according to all the abominations of the

the abominations which

■ the LORD cast out

before the children of Israel.

■ 25. **And** it came to pass

■ in the fifth year of king

■ Rehoboam, that

Shishak king of Egypt cameup against Jerusalem:

■ 26. And he took away the

treasures of the house of

the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house; he even took away all:

■ and he took away

all the shields of gold which Solomon had made.

27. And king Rehoboammade in their stead brasen

shields, and committed them unto the hands of the chief of the guard, which kept the door of the king's house.

■ 28. **And** it was *so.*

when the king went into the house of the LORD, that

■ the guard bare them,

and brought them back into the guard chamber.

29. Now the rest of the acts of Rehoboam, and all that he did.

all that he did,

written in the book of

the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

30. And there was war between Rehoboam and Jeroboam all *their* days.

31. And Rehoboam slept with his fathers, and

was buried with his fathers in the city of David.

And his mother's name was Naamah an Ammonitess.

■ And Abijam his son

reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 15

 Now in the eighteenth year of king Jeroboam the son of Nebat reigned Abijam over Judah.

2. Three years reigned

he in Jerusalem. and his mother's name was Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

3. And he walked in all the sins of his father, which he had done before him: and his heart was not perfect with the LORD his God, as the heart of David his father.

4. Nevertheless for David's

sake did the LORD his

God give him a lamp in Jerusalem, to set

■ up his son after him, and to establish Jerusalem:

5. Because David did *that which was* right in the eyes of the LORD, and lurned not aside from any *thing* that he commanded him all the days of his life, save only in the matter of Uriah the Hitlite.

6. And there was warbetween Rehoboam

and Jeroboam all the days of his life.

Now the rest of the acts of

■ Abijam, and all that he did,

■ are they not

written in the book of the

Chronicles of the kings of Judah? And there was war between Abijam and Jeroboam.

8. And Abijam slept with his fathers; and they

buried him in the city of David:

and Asa his son reigned in his stead.

 And in the twentieth year of Jeroboam king of Israel reigned Asa over Judah.

■ 10. **And forty** and

one years reigned he in

Jerusalem. And his mother's name *was* Maachah, the daughter of Abishalom.

11. And Asa did that which wasright in the eyes of the

LORD, as did David his father.

12. And he took away the sodomites out of the land,

and removed all the idols that his fathers had made.

13. And also Maachah his mother, even her

he removed from being queen, because she had

made an idol in a grove;
and Asa destroyed

her idol, and burnt it by the brook Kidron.

14. But the high places were not removed: nevertheless

Asa's heart was perfect with the LORD all his days.

15. And he brought in the things which his father had dedicated, and the things which himself had dedicated, into the house of the LORD, silver, and gold, and vessels.

16. And there was war
between Asa and Baasha
king of Israel all their days.

17. And Baasha king of Israel went up against Judah, and

built Ramah, that he might not suffer any to go out or come in to Asa king of Judah.

■ 18. Then Asa took all the

silver and the

■ gold that were

left in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and the treasures of the king's house,

and delivered them into the hand of his servants: and king Asa sent them

to Ben-hadad, the son of Tabrimon, the son of Hezion,

king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus,

■ saying,

19. *There is* a league between me and thee, and

between my father and thy father: behold, I have sent unto thee a present of silver and gold; come and break thy league with

Baasha king of Israel, that he may depart from me.

20. So Ben-hadad hearkened unto king Asa, and

sent the captains of the

hosts which he had

■ against the cities of Israel, and smote lion,

and Dan, and Abel-beth-maachah, and all Cinneroth, with all the land of Naphtali.

21. And it came to pass, when Baasha heard thereof, that

■ he left off building of■ Ramah,

and dwelt in Tirzah.

22. Then king Asa made a proclamation throughout all Judah; none was exempted:

and they took away the

stones of Ramah, and the timber thereof, wherewith

Baasha had builded;

and king Asa built with them Geba of Benjamin,

■ and Mizpah.

23. The rest of all the acts ofAsa, and all his might, and all that he

did, and the cities which he built,

■ are they not written in th

written in the book of

the chronicles of the kings of Judah? Nevertheless in the time of his old age he was diseased in his feet.

■ 24. And Asa slept with his fathers,

and was buried with his fathersin the city of David his father:

and Jehoshaphat his son

■ reigned in his stead.

■ 25. And Nadab

the son of Jeroboam

began to reign over Israel in the second year of Asa king of Judah,

and reigned over Israel

■ two years.

26. And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and

walked in the way of his father,

he made Israel to sin.
 27. And Baasha the son of
 Ahijah, of the house of Issachar.
 conspired against him; and Baasha
 smote him at Gibbethon, which belonged to the Philistines; for Nadab and all Israel laid siege to Gibbethon.

28. Even in the third year of

ASQ king of Judah

did Baasha slay him, and reigned in his stead.

29. **And** it came to pass, when he reigned, that

he smote all the house of Jeroboam; he left not to Jeroboam

any that breathed, until he had destroyed him.

according unto the saying of the LORD, which he spake by his servant Ahiiah the Shilonite:

30. Because of the sins of Jeroboam which he sinned, and which he made Israel sin, by his provocation wherewith he provoked the LORD God of Israel to anger.

■ 31. Now the rest of the acts of Nadab, and all that he did,

■ are they not

written in the book of

■ the chronicles

of the kings of Israel?

32. And there was war between Asa and Baasha king of Israel all their days.

■ 33. In the third year of Asa ■ king of Judah began

■ Baasha the son of Ahijah

to reign over all Israel in Tirzah,

■ twenty and

■ four years.

■ 34. And he did evil

in the sight of the LORD,

and walked in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin wherewith he

■ made Israel to sin.

CHAPTER 16

■ 1. Then the word of the LORD came to Jehu

the son of Hanani

■ against Baasha, saying,

2. Forasmuch as I exalted thee out of

the dust, and made thee prince over my people Israel; and

thou hast walked in the way of Jeroboam, and hast made my people Israel to sin, to provoke me to

anger with their sins;
3. **Behold, I will take away**the posterity of Baasha, and
the posterily of his house; and will
make thy house like the house of

Jeroboam the son of Nebat

4. Him that dieth of Baasha in the city shall the dogs eat; and him that dieth of his in the fields shall the fowls of the air eat

5. Now the rest of the acts of Baasha, and what he did, and his might.

■ are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

6. So Baasha slept with his fathers, and was buried in Tirzah:

and Elah his son reigned in his stead.

7. And also by the hand of the prophet Jehu the son of Hanani came the word of the LORD against Baasha, and against his house, even for all the evil that he did in the sight of the LORD, in provoking him to anger with the work of his hands, in being like the house of Jeroboam; and because he killed him

8. In the twenty and

sixth year of Asa king of Judah
began Elah the son of Baasha
to reign over Israel in Tirzah.

■ two years.

9. And his servant

Zimri, captain of half his
 chariots, conspired
 against him, as he was

in Tirzah, drinking himself

drunk in the house of Arza steward of *his* house in Tirzah.

■ 10. And Zimri

went in and smote him, and **killed him**, in the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah,

and reigned in his stead.

11. And it came to pass,

when he began to reign, as soon as he sat on his throne, that

■ he slew all the house of

Baasha: he left him not one that pisseth against a wall, neither of his kinsfolks, nor of his friends.

12. Thus did Zimri destroy all the house of Baasha, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake against Baasha by Jehu the prophet,

against baasha by Jenu the prophet,
13. For all the sins of Baasha, and the
sins of Elah his son, by which they
sinned, and by which they made Israel
to sin, in provoking the LORD God of
Israel to anger with their vanities.

14. Now the rest of the acts of Elah, and all that he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

■ 15. In the twenty and seventh year of Asa king of Judah

did Zimri reign seven days

And the people were
 encamped against
 Gibbethon.

which belonged to the Philistines.

16. And the people that were encamped

heard say, Zimri hath conspired, and hath also

slain the king: wherefore all Israel made Omri,

the captain of the host,

king over Israel

that day in the camp.

■ 17. And Omri went up from Gibbethon,

and all Israel with him, and they
 besieged Tirzah.

■ 18. And it came to pass,

■ when Zimri saw that the city

■ was taken, that

he went into the palace of the king's house, and

burnt the king's house over him with fire.

■ and died.

19. For his sins which he sinned in doing evil in the sight of the LORD, in walking in the way of Jeroboam, and in his sin which he did, to make

Israel to sin.

20. Now the rest of the actsof Zimri, and his treasonthat he wrought,

are they not

written in the book of the

chronicles of the kings of Israel?

21. Then were the people of

Israel divided into two parts: half of the people

followed Tibni the son of Ginath, to make him king:

and half followed Omri.

22. But the people that followed

22. **But** the people that followed **Omri prevailed against** the people that followed

■ Tibni the son of Ginath:

■ so Tibni died, and Omri reigned.

■ 23. In the thirty and

first year of Asa king of Judah began Omri to reign

over Israel.

■ twelve years:

six years reigned he in Tirzah.

24. And he bought the

24. And he bought the hill Samaria

of Shemer for two talents of silver,

and built on the hill, and called the name of

the city which he built, after the name of Shemer, owner of the hill,

l Samaria.

25. But Omri wrought evil in the eyes of the LORD, and did worse than all that were before him.

26. For he walked in all the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and in his sin wherewith he made Israel to sin, to provoke the LORD God of Israel to anger with their vanities.

27. Now the rest of the acts of Omri which he did, and his might that he shewed, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

■ 28. So Omri slept with his fathers.

■ and was buried in

Samaria: and Ahab his son

■ reigned in his stead.

29. And in the thirty and

■ eighth year of Asa

king of Judah

began Ahab the son of Omri

■ to reign over Israel:

■ and Ahab the son of Omri reigned over Israel in Samaria

■ twenty and

■ two years.

30. And Ahab the son of Omri

did evil in the sight of the LORD above all that were

before him.

31. **And** it came to pass, as if it had been a light thing for him to walk in the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat that

he took to wife Jezebel the daughter of Ethbaal king of

the Zidonians, and went and served Baal.

and worshipped him.

32. And he regred up an

altar for Baal in the house of Baal, which he had built

in Samaria.

33 And Ahab made a grove; and Ahab

did more to provoke the

LORD God of Israel to anger

than all the kinas of Israel that were

before him.

■ 34. In his days did Hiel the Beth-elite build Jericho:

> he laid the foundation thereof in Abiram his firstborn, and set up the gates thereof in his youngest son Segub, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Joshua the son of Nun.

CHAPTER 17

1. And Elijah the Tishbite, who was of the inhabitants of Gilead.

said unto Ahab. As the

LORD God of Israel

liveth, before whom I stand.

there shall not be dew nor ■ rain these years, but

according to my word.

2. And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

3. Get thee hence, and

turn thee

eastward, and hide thyself by the brook Cherith.

that is before Jordan. 4. And it shall be that

thou shalt drink of the brook: and I have

commanded the rayens to

feed thee there.

5. So he went and did according unto the word of the LORD: for he went and dwelt by the brook Cherith. that is before Jordan.

6. And the ravens brought him bread and flesh in the morning, and bread and flesh in the evening; and he drank of the brook.

7. **And** it came to pass after a while, that

the brook dried up, because there had been no rain in the land.

8. And the word of the LORD came unto him, saying,

9. Arise, get thee to Zarephałh,

which belongeth to Zidon.

and dwell there: behold. I have commanded a

widow woman there

to sustain thee.

10. So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to

the gate of

the city, behold,

the widow woman was there gathering of

sticks: and he called to her, and said. Fetch me, I pray thee.

a little water

in a vessel, that I may drink.

11. And as she was aoina to fetch it.

he called to her, and

said, Bring me, I pray thee,

a morsel of bread

in thine hand.

12. And she said.

As the LORD thy God liveth,

I have not a cake, but an

handful of meal in a barrel.

and a little oil in a cruse: and, behold.

I *am* gathering two sticks,

- I that I may go in and
- dress it for me and my son. ■ that we may eat it.
- and die.
- 13. And Elijah said unto her. Fear not; go and
- do as thou hast said: but
- make me thereof
- a little cake first, and bring it unto me, and after make for thee and for thy son.
- 14. For thus saith the LORD God of Israel.
- The barrel of meal shall not waste, neither shall the cruse of
- oil fail, until the day that the LORD sendeth rain upon the earth.
- 15. And she went and did according to the saying of Elijah:

and she, and he, and her house, did eat many days.

- 16. And the barrel of
- meal wasted not, neither
- did the cruse of
- oil fail, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by Elijah.
- 17. And it came to pass after these things, that
 - the son of the woman.
- the mistress of the house.
- fell sick; and his sickness was so sore, that
- there was no breath left in him.
- 18. And she said unto
- Elijah. What have I to do with thee, O thou man of God?
- art thou come unto me to call my sin to remembrance, and
- to slav my son?
- 19. And he said unto her.
- Give me thy son. And he took him

out of her bosom, and carried him. up into a loft, where he abode,

- and laid him upon
 - his own bed.
- 20. And he cried unto the
- LORD, and said, O LORD my God,
- l hast thou also

- brought evil upon the
- widow with whom I sojourn.
- by slaving her son? 21. And he stretched
- himself upon the child three
- times, and cried unto the
- LORD, and said, O LORD my
 - God. I pray thee.
- let this child's soul come into him again.
- 22. And the LORD heard the voice of
- Eliiah: and the soul of the child came into him again.
- and he revived.
- 23. And Elijah took the child, and brought him down out of the chamber into the house, and
- delivered him unto his
 - mother: and Elijah
 - said, See, thy son liveth.
- 24. And the woman said to Elilah.
- Now by this
- I know that
- thou art a man of God, and
- that the word of the LORD
- | | in thy mouth *is* truth.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. **And** it came to pass *after* many davs. that
- the word of the LORD came
- to Elijah in the third year. saying, Go, shew thyself
- unto Ahab: and I will send
- rain upon the earth.
 - 2. And Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab. And there was a sore famine in Samaria.
- 3. And Ahab called
- Obadiah, which was
- the governor of his house.
- (Now Obadiah feared the
- LORD greatly:
- 4. For it was so.
- when Jezebel cut off the
- prophets of the LORD, that
- Obadiah took an hundred
 - prophets, and
- hid them by fifty in a
 - cave, and fed them
 - with bread and water.)

- ■1.5 And Ahab said unto Obadiah. Go into the land. ■ unto all fountains of water. and unto all brooks: peradventure
 - we may find grass to save the horses and mules alive. that we lose not all the beasts.

- 6. So they divided the land between them
- to pass throughout it: Ahab went one way by himself.
 - and Obadiah went another way by himself.
- 7. And as Obadiah was in the way, behold.
- Elijah met him: and he knew him, and fell on his face, and
 - said. Art thou that my lord Eliiah?
 - And he answered him. I am: go.
- tell thy lord, Behold,
- Elijah is here. 9. And he said, What have I sinned, that thou wouldest deliver thy servant into the
 - hand of Ahab, to slay me? 10. As the LORD thy God liveth,
- there is no nation or kingdom,
- whither my lord hath not sent to seek thee; and when they said, He is not there; he took an oath of the kingdom and nation, that they found thee not.
- 11. And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord, Behold, Elijah is here.
- 12. And it shall come to pass, as soon as I am gone

from thee, that

- the spirit of the LORD shall carry thee whither I know not; and so
- | when I come and tell
- Ahab, and he
- cannot find thee, he shall slay me: but I thy servant fear the LOAD from my youth.
- 13. Was it not told my lord what I did when Jezebel slew the prophets of the LORD.
 - how I hid an hundred

men of the LORD's

- prophets by fifty in a cave, and fed them with bread and water?
 - 14. And now thou sayest, Go, tell thy lord. Behold, Elijah is here: and he shall slav me.
- 15. And Elijah said, As the LORD of hosts liveth,

before whom I stand

- I will surely
- shew myself unto him to-day.
- 16. So Obadiah went to meet Ahab, and told him: and Ahab went to meet Eliiah.
- 17. **And** it came to pass, when Ahab saw Elijah, that
- Ahab said unto him. Art thou he that
- troubleth Israel?
 - 18. And he answered, I have not troubled
- Israel; but thou, and thy father's house, in that
- ve have forsaken the commandments of the LORD. and thou hast
- followed Baalim.
 - 19. Now therefore send, and
- **aather** to me

- all Israel unto mount
 - Carmel, and the prophets of Baal four hundred and fifty,
- and the prophets of the groves four hundred, which eat at Jezebel's table.
- 20 So Ahab sent unto all the children of Israel, and
- gathered the prophets together
 - unto mount Carmel.
- 21. And Eliiah came unto all the people, and said, How long halt ye between two
- opinions? if the LORD be God. follow him: but if Baal.
- then follow him. And the people answered him
- not a word.
- 22. Then said Elijah unto the people, I. even
 - I only, remain a prophet of

the LORD: but Baal's prophets are four hundred and fifty men.

23. Let them therefore

give us

two bullocks: and let them choose one

bullock for themselves.

and cut it in pieces, and lay it on wood, and put no fire under: and

I will dress the other ■ **bullock**, and lay it on wood.

and put no fire under:

■ 24. And call ye on the name of ■ your gods, and

I will call on the name of

■ the LORD: and the God that answereth by fire, let him ■ be God. And all the people

■ answered and said.

■ It is well spoken.

25. And Elijah said unto the prophets of Baal,

> Choose you one bullock for vourselves, and dress it first; for ye are many; and call on the name of your gods, but put no fire under. 26. And they

took the bullock which was given them, and they dressed it,

and called on the name of **Baal from morning** even

until noon, saying,

O Baal, hear us. But there was no voice, nor any that answered. And they leaped upon the altar which was made.

27. And

it came to pass at noon, that

Eliiah mocked them, and

said. Cry aloud: for he is a god; either he is talking, or

he is pursuing, or he is

in a journey, of peradventure he

■ sleepeth, and

must be awaked.

28. And they cried aloud.

and cut themselves after their manner

with knives and lancets, till

■ the blood gushed out

upon them.

29. And it came to pass,

when midday was past, and they prophesied until the time

of the offering of

the evening sacrifice, that there was neither voice.

nor any to

answer, nor any that regarded.

30. And Elijah said unto all the people, Come near unto me. And all the people came

near unto him.

And he repaired the altar of

the LORD that was broken down. 31. And Eliiah took twelve

stones, according to the number of the tribes of the sons of Jacob, unto whom the word of the LORD came. saving, Israel shall be thy name:

32. And with the stones

he built an altar

in the name of the LORD: and he made a trench

about the altar, as great as would contain two measures of seed.

33. And he

put the wood in order, and

cut the bullock in pieces.

and laid him on the wood. and said. Fill four barrels

with water, and pour

it on the burnt

sacrifice, and on the wood.

34. And he said. Do it the second time.

And they did it the second time.

And he said, Do it the third

time. And they did it the third time. 35. And the water ran round

about the altar: and he

filled the trench also

with water.

And it came to pass at the time of the offering of the evening sacrifice, that

Eliiah the prophet came near, and

said. LORD God

of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel,

let it be known this day

that thou art God in Israel. ■ and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word.

37. Hear me. O LORD, hear me.

■ that this people may know that thou art the LORD

God, and that thou hast turned their

heart back again. 8 38. Then the fire of the LORD

fell, and consumed the burnt

sacrifice, and

the wood, and

the stones, and

the dust, and licked

up the water that was

in the trench.

39. And when all

the people saw it, they

fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he is the

God: the LORD, he is the God.

40. And Elijah said unto them,

Take the prophets of Baal: let not one of them escape.

And they took them: and

Elijah brought them down

to the brook Kishon, and slew them there.

41. And Elijah said unto

Ahab, Get thee up.

eat and drink; for there

is a sound of abundance of rain.

42. So Ahab went up to eat and to drink.

And Elijah went up

to the top of

Carmel: and he

cast himself down

upon the earth,

and put his face between ■ his knees.

43. And said to his servant,

GO up now.

look toward the sea. And

he went up, and

looked, and said, *There is* ■ nothing. And he said, Go

again seven times.

■ 44. And it came to pass at ■ the seventh time.

that he said, Behold,

■ there ariseth a little cloud

out of the sea, like a man's hand.

And he said. Go un. sav unto Ahab.

Prepare thy chariot, and

get thee down that the

rain stop thee not.

45. And it came to pass in the mean while, that the heaven was black with clouds and wind, and

there was a great rain.

And Ahab rode, and

went to Jezreel.

46 And the hand of the LORD was on

Elijah: and he girded up his loins, and

ran before Ahab to the

entrance of Jezreel.

CHAPTER 19

1. And Ahab told Jezebel

all that

Elijah had done.

and withal how he had slain all the prophets with the sword.

2 Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah,

saying, So let the gods do

to me. and more also.

if I make not thy life as the life of

one of them by to-morrow about this time.

And when he saw that.

he arose, and went for his life, and came to Beer-sheba,

which belongeth to Judah, and left his servant there.

4. But he himself went a day's journey

into the wilderness, and came and

sat down

under a juniper tree: and he

requested for himself

that he miaht die:

> and said, It is enough; now, O LORD, take away my life; for I am not better than my fathers.

5. And as he lay and

slept under a juniper tree, behold, then

an angel touched him,

and said unto him.

Arise and eat.

- 1.6 And he looked, and behold, there was a cake baken on the coals. and a cruse of
- water at his head.
- And he did eat and drink. and laid him down again.
- 7. And the angel of the LORD came again
 - the second time, and touched him.
- and said, Arise and eat; because the journey is too great for thee.
- 8. And he arose.
 - and did eat and drink, and
- went in the strenath of that meat forty days and forty
- nights unto Horeb the mount of God
- And he came thither
- unto a cave, and lodged there; and, behold, the word of ■ the LORD came to him, and he
- said unto him.
- | What doest thou ■ here, Elijah?
- 10. And he said,
 - I have been very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: for
- the children of Israel have ■ forsaken thy covenant. thrown down thine altars.
- and slain thy prophets
- with the sword:
- and I. even I
- only, am left; and they **seek my life,** to take it away.
- 11. And he said, Go forth, and ■ I stand upon the mount
- before the LORD. And.
- behold, the LORD passed
- by, and a great and strong
- wind rent the mountains. and brake in pieces
- the rocks before the LORD:
- but the LORD was not in the wind: and after the wind an earthquake; but the LORD
- | was not in the earthquake:
- 12. And after the
- earthquake a fire; but the
 - LORD was not in the fire: and after the fire a still

- small voice.
- 13. And it was so
 - when Elijah heard it, that
- he wrapped his face in his mantle. and went out, and
- stood in the entering in of
 - the cave. And, behold.
- there came a voice unto him
- and said. What doest
- thou here, Elijah? 14. And he said, I have been
- very jealous for the LORD God of hosts: because
 - the children of Israel have forsaken thy covenant.

thrown down thine altars, and slain thy prophets with the sword:

- and I. even I
- only, am left; and they seek my life, to take it away.
 - 15. And the LÓRD said unto him.
 - Go, return on thy way
- to the wilderness of
- Damascus: and when thou comest.
- anoint Hazael to be
- king over Syria: And Jehu the son of Nimshi
- shalt thou anoint to be
- king over Israel: and Elisha the son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah
- shalt thou anoint to be prophet in thy room.
- 17. And it shall come to pass, that
- him that escapeth the sword of
- Hazael shall Jehu slay: and him that escapeth
 - from the sword of
- Jehu shall Elisha slav.
- 18. Yet I have left me
- seven thousand in Israel. all the knees
- which have not bowed unto
- **Baal**, and every mouth which hath not kissed him.
- 19. So he departed thence.
- and found Elisha
 - the son of Shaphat, who was plowing with twelve voke of oxen before him. and he with the twelfth:
- and Elijah passed by him, and cast his mantle upon him.

20. And he left the oxen, and ran after Elijah, and said,
Let me, I pray thee,
kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow thee. And he said unto him.

■ Go back again:

for what have I done to thee?

■ 21. And he returned

back from him.

and took a yoke of oxen, and

slew them, and

boiled their flesh with the instruments of the oxen.

and gave unto the people,

and they did eat.

Then he arose, and

went after Elijah,

and ministered unto him.

CHAPTER 20

1. And Ben-hadad the king of Syria gathered all his host together; and there were thirty and two

kings with him, and horses, and chariots; and he

went up and besieged

Samaria, and warred against it.And he sent messengers

to Ahab king of Israel into the city,
and said unto him

■ Thus saith Ben-hadad,

3. Thy silver and thy

gold is mine; thy wives also and thy

■ children, even the goodliest.

■ are mine.

4. And the king of Israel answered and

said, My lord.

O king, according to thy saying,

■ I am thine, and all ■ I that I have.

■ | that I have. ■ | 5 And the

5. And the messengers
 came again, and said,
 Thus speaketh Ben-hade

Thus speaketh Ben-hadad, saying, Although I have sent unto thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me

thee, saying, Thou shalt deliver me thy silver, and thy gold, and thy wives, and thy children;

6. Yet I will send my

■ | servants unto thee

to-morrow about this time,

and they shall search thine house, and the houses

of thy servants; and

it shall be, that

whatsoever is pleasant in thine eyes,

they shall put it in their hand, and take it away.

7. Then the king of Israel called all

the elders of the land.

the elders of the land, and said.

Mark, I pray you, and see how

this man seeketh mischief:
for he sent unto me

for my wives, and for

my children, and for my silver, and for

my gold; and I denied him not.

8. And all the elders
and all the people

said unto him,

■ Hearken not unto him,

9. Wherefore he said untothe messengers of

■ Ben-hadad, Tell my lord
■ the king, All that thou didst

send for to thy servant

■ at the

first I will do: but this thing I may not do. And the

messengers departed, and brought him word again.

■ 10. And Ben-hadad sent unto him, and

said, The gods do so unto me, and more also, if

the dust of Samaria shall
 suffice for handfuls for all
 the people that follow me.

11. And the king of Israel

answered and

said, Tell him, Let not him that girdeth on his harness

boast himself

as he that putteth it off.

12. And it came to pass,

when **Ben-hadad** heard this message, as he was drinking, he and

of the princes of the provinces

I KINGS 20 the kings in the pavilions, that he said unto his servants. ■ | Set yourselves in array. And they set themselves in array against the city. 13. And, behold, there came a prophet unto Ahab king of Israel. saying, Thus saith the LORD. Hast thou seen all this great multitude? behold, I will deliver it into thine hand this day: and thou shalt know that I am the LORD. 14. And Ahab said. By whom? And he said, Thus saith the LORD. Even by the young men of the princes of the provinces. Then he said. Who shall order the battle? And he answered. Thou. 15. Then he numbered the young men of the princes of the provinces, and they were two hundred and thirty two: and after them he numbered all the people. even all the children of Israel, being seven thousand. 16. And they went out at noon. But Ben-hadad was drinking himself drunk in the pavilions, he and the kings, the thirty and two kings that helped him. 17. And the young men of the princes of the provinces ■ | went out first; and Benhadad sent out, and they

■ I told him, saying,

out of Samaria.

There are men come

■ they be come out for

peace, take them alive:

18. And he said, Whether

Of whether they be come out for

war, take them alive.

■ 19. So these young men

came out of the city. and the army which followed them. 20. And they slew every one his man: and the Syrians **fled**; and Israel pursued them: and Ben-hadad the king of Syria escaped on an horse with the horsemen. 21. And the king of Israel went out, and smote the horses and chariots. and slew the Syrians with a great slaughter. 22. And the prophet came to the king of Israel. and said unto him. Go. strengthen thyself, and mark. and see what thou doest: for at the return of the year the king of Syria will come up against thee. 23. And the servants of the king of Syria said unto him, Their gods *are* gods of the hills; therefore they were stronger than we: but let us fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than thev. 24. And do this thing, Take the kings away, every man out of his place, and put captains in their rooms: 25. And number thee an army, like the army that thou hast lost, horse for horse, and chariot for chariot: and we will fight against them in the plain, and surely we shall be stronger than they. And he hearkened unto their voice. and did so. And it came to pass at the return of the year, that Ben-hadad numbered the Syrians, and went up to Aphek, to fight against Israel. 27. And the children of

Israel were numbered.

555 and were all present, and went against them: and the like two little flocks of kids: but the Syrians filled the country. 28. And there came a man of God, and spake unto the king of Israel, and said. Thus saith the LORD. Because the Syrians have said. The LORD is God of the hills, but he is not God I deliver all this great multitude into thine hand, and ve shall know that I am the LORD. 29. And they pitched one over it was, that in the seventh day the Israel slew of the Syrians an hundred thousand footmen in one day. 30. But the rest fled to Aphek, into the city; and there a wall fell upon twenty and were left And Ben-hadad fled. and came into the city. into an inner chamber. 31 And his servants said unto him. Behold now. we have heard that the kings of the house of Israel are merciful kings:

on their loins, and put ropes on

came to the king of Israel.

their heads, and

children of Israel pitched before them of the valleys, therefore will against the other seven days. And so battle was joined: and the children of seven thousand of the men that let us, I pray thee, put sackcloth on our loins, and ropes upon our heads, and go out ■ to the king of Israel: ■ peradventure he will save thy life. 32. So they girded sackcloth

I KINGS 20 and said. Thy servant Ben-hadad saith. I pray thee. let me live. And he said, Is he yet alive? he is my brother. 33. Now the men did diligently observe whether any thing would come from him, and did hastily catch it: and they said. Thy brother Benhadad. Then he said. Go ye, bring him. Then Ben-hadad came forth to him: and he caused him to come up into the chariot. 34. And Ben-hadad said unto him. The cities, which my father took from thy father, I will restore: and thou shalt make streets for thee in Damascus, as my father made in Samaria. Then said Ahab. I will send thee away with this covenant. So he made a covenant with him, and sent him away. 35. And a certain man of the sons of the prophets said unto his neighbour in the word of the LORD, Smite me. pray thee. And the man refused to smite him. 36 Then said he unto him. Because thou hast not obeyed the voice of the LORD, behold, as soon as thou art departed from me. a lion shall slay thee. And as soon as he was departed from him. a lion found him, and slew him. 37. Then he found another man, and said, **Smite me**, I pray thee. And the man smote him, so that in smiting he wounded him. 38. So the prophet departed, and

waited for the king by the way.

and disguised himself with

| ashes upon his face.

39. And as the king passed by, he cried unto the king; and

he said, Thy servant went

■ into the midst of

■ the battle; and, behold,

■ a man turned aside, and

brought a man unto me,

and said, Keep this man: if by any means

he be missing, then shall

thy life be for his life, or else thou shalt pay

a talent of silver.

■ 40. And as thy servant was

busy here and there,

■ he was gone.

■ And the king of Israel

said unto him,

So shall thy judgment be;
thyself hast decided it.

41. And he hasted, and took the ashes away

from his face:

■ and the king of Israel

■ discerned him that

■ he was of the prophets.

■ 42. And he said unto him,

■ Thus saith the LORD,
■ Because thou hast let go

out of thy hand

■ a man whom !

appointed to utter

destruction, therefore thy
 life shall go for his life, and

thy people for his people.

■ 43. And the king of Israel

went to his house

heavy and displeased,

and came to Samaria.

CHAPTER 21

1. **And** it came to pass after these things, that

■ Naboth the Jezreelite

had a vineyard, which was in Jezreel, hard

by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

2. And Ahab spake unto

Naboth, saying,

■ Give me thy vineyard, that I

may have it for a garden of herbs, because it is near unto my house:

and I will give thee for it

a better vineyard than it;

Of, if it seem good to thee, I will give thee the worth of it in

■ | money.

■ 3. And Naboth said to Ahab,

■ The LORD forbid it me,

■ that I should give the

inheritance of my fathers unto thee.

4. And Ahab came

into his house

■ heavy and displeased

because of the word which Naboth the Jezreelite had spoken to him: for he had said, I will not give thee the inheritance of my fathers.

■ And he

■ laid him

down upon his bed, and turned away his face,

and would eat no bread.

■ 5. **But Jezebel** his wife

came to him, and

Why is thy spirit so sad,

that thou eatest no bread?

■ 6. And he said unto her,

■ Because I spake unto

■ Naboth the Jezreelite,
■ and said unto him.

Give me thy vineyard for

money; or else, if it please thee, I will give thee *another* vineyard for it:

and he answered, I will notgive thee my vineyard.

7. And Jezebel his wife

said unto him,

Dost thou nowgovern the kingdom of

Israel? arise, and eat bread, and

let thine heart be merry: I
 will give thee the vineyard

of Naboth the Jezreelite.

8. So she wrote letters in
 Ahab's name, and sealed them

with his seal, and sent the letters

■ unto the elders and to the

■ nobles that were

in his city, dwelling with Naboth.

9. And she wrote in the letters,

saying, Proclaim a fast. and set Naboth on high among the people: 10. And set two men,

sons of Belial.

before him, to bear witness against him, saying, Thou didst blaspheme God and the king.

And then carry him out, and stone him, that he may die.

11. And the men of his city, even the elders and the nobles who were the inhabitants in his city.

did as Jezebel had sent unto them, and as it was written in the letters which she had sent unto them.

12. They proclaimed a fast, and set Naboth on high among the

13. **And** there came in

two men, children of Belial, and sat before him: and the men of Belial

witnessed against him. even against Naboth, in the

presence of the people.

saying, Naboth did blaspheme God and the king.

Then they carried him forth out of the city, and

stoned him

with stones, that he died,

14. Then they sent to Jezebel, saying, Naboth is stoned, and is

dead.

15. And it came to pass, when Jezebel heard that Naboth was stoned, and was dead, that

Jezebel said to Ahab. Arise, take possession of the vineyard of Naboth the Jezreelite, which he refused to give

thee for money: for Naboth is not alive, but dead.

16. And it came to pass, when Ahab heard that Naboth was dead, that

■ Ahab rose up to go down to the vineyard of Naboth the

Jezreelite, to take possession of it. 17. And the word of the

LORD came to Elijah

the Tishbite, saving.

18. Arise, go down

to meet Ahab king of Israel. which is in Samaria; behold, he is in the vinevard of Naboth, whither he is gone down to possess it.

19. And thou shalt speak unto him.

saying, Thus saith the LORD,

Hast thou killed, and also taken possession? And thou shalt speak unto him, saving, Thus saith the LORD.

In the place where doas licked the blood of Naboth shall doas lick thy blood. even thine.

And Ahab said to Elijah. Hast thou found me. O mine enemy? And he answered. I have found *thee*; because thou hast sold thyself to

work evil in the sight of the LORD. 21. Behold, I will bring evil

upon thee, and will take away thy posterity, and will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him that is shut up and left in Israel,

22. And will make thine house like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat. and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahiiah.

for the provocation wherewith thou hast provoked *me* to anger, and made Israel to sin.

23. **And** of Jezebel also spake the LORD, saying,

The dogs shall eat Jezebel by the wall of Jezreel.

24. Him that dieth of Ahab in the city the dogs shall eat; and him that dieth in the field shall the fowls of the air eat.

25. But there was none like unto Ahab, which did sell himself to work wickedness in the sight of the LORD.

whom Jezebel his wife stirred up.

26. And he did very

abominably in following

- idols, according to all things as did the Amorites, whom the LORD cast out before the children of Israel.
- 27. And it came to pass,
- when Ahab heard
- those words, that
- he rent his clothes, and
- put sackcloth upon his
- flesh, and
- fasted, and lay in sackcloth,
- and went softly.
- 28. And the word of the
- LORD came to Elijah the Tishbite.
- saying.
- 29. Seest thou how Ahab
- humbleth himself before me? because he humbleth
 - himself before me.
- I will not bring the evil in his ■ | days: but in his son's days will

I bring the evil upon his house.

CHAPTER 22

- 1 1. And they continued three years without war
 - between Syria and Israel.
- 2. And it came to pass
- in the third year, that
- Jehoshaphat the
- king of Judah came down to the king of Israel.
- 3. And the king of Israel
- said unto his servants,
- Know ye that Ramoth in Gilead *is* ours,
 - and we be still, and take it not out of the hand of the king of Syria?
- 4. And he said unto
- Jehoshaphat, Wilt thou go with me to battle
- to Ramoth-gilead?
- And Jehoshaphat said to the king of Israel.
- I am as thou art, my people as thy people, my horses as thy horses.
- 5. And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel,
- Inquire, I pray thee, at the word of the LORD to-day.
- 6. Then the king of Israel gathered the prophets
 - together, about four hundred men,

- and said unto them.
- Shall I go against
- Ramoth-gilead
- to battle, or shall I forbear?
- And they said. Go up: for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the kina.
- 7. And Jehoshaphat said. *Is there* not here a prophet
- of the LORD besides.
 - that we might inquire of him?
- And the king of Israel
- said unto Jehoshaphat.
 - There is vet one man.
- Micaiah the son of Imlah, by whom we may inquire of the LORD:
- but I hate him; for he doth not prophesy good
- concerning me, but evil.
 - And Jehoshaphat said, Let not the king say so.
- Then the king of Israel
- called an officer, and said,
- Hasten hither Micaiah the son of Imlah.
- 10. And the king of Israel
- and Jehoshaphat
- the king of Judah sat each on his throne, having put on their
 - robes, in a void place in the entrance of the gate of Samaria;
- and all the prophets
- prophesied before them.
- 11. And Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah
- made him
- horns of iron: and he
- said, Thus saith the LORD,
- With these shalt thou push
- the Syrians, until thou have consumed them.
- 12. And all the prophets
- prophesied so. saying, Go up to
- Ramoth-gilead, and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver if
- into the king's hand. 13. And the messenger that
- was gone to call Micaiah spake unto him, saying,
- Behold now. the words of the prophets
 - declare good

unto the king with one mouth: let thy word. I pray thee, be like the word of one of them, and speak that which is good. 14. And Micaigh said.

As the LORD liveth. what the LORD saith unto me.

that will I speak.

15. **So he came** to the king.

And the king said unto him. Micaiah, shall we go against Ramoth-gilead

to battle, or shall we forbear?

And he answered him. Go. and prosper:

for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the king.

16. And the king said unto him. How many times shall I adjure thee that thou

tell me nothing but that which is true

in the name of the LORD? 17. And he said, I saw all Israel scattered upon the hills.

as sheep that have not a shepherd: and the LORD said.

These have no master: let them return every man to his house in peace.

18. And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat. Did I not tell thee that he would prophesy

no good concerning me, but evil?

19. And he said. Hear thou therefore the word of the LORD:

I saw the LORD sitting on his throne, and all the host of heaven standing by him on his right

hand and on his left.

20. And the LORD said. Who ■ shall persuade Ahab, that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-ailead?

And one said on this manner, and another said on that manner.

21. And there came forth a spirif, and stood before the LORD, and said, I will

persuade him.

22. And the LORD said unto him, Wherewith? And he said, I will go

forth, and I will be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And he said. Thou shalt persude him, and prevail also: go forth, and do so.

Now therefore, behold. the LORD hath put a lyina spirit in the mouth of all these

thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil concerning thee.

But Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah went near, and

smote Micaiah on the cheek, and said. Which way went the spirit of the

LORD from me to speak unto thee?

25. And Micaiah said, Behold. thou shalf see in that day.

when thou shalt go into an inner chamber

to hide thyself.

26. And the king of Israel said, Take Micaiah,

and carry him

back unto Amon the **governor** of the city, and to Joash the king's son:

27. And say, Thus saith the king. Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with water of affliction.

until I come in peace.

28. And Micaiah said. If thou return at all in peace.

the LORD hath not spoken by me. And he said, Hearken, O people, every one of you.

29. So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat

the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-ailead.

30. And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat. I will disguise myself, and

enter into the

battle; but put thou on thy robes. And the king of Israel

disquised himself, and went into the battle.

31. But the king of Syria commanded his thirty and two captains that had rule over

his chariots.

saying, Fight neither with

- small nor great, save only with the king of Israel.
- 32. And it came to pass,
- when the captains of the chariots
- saw Jehoshaphat, that
- they said, Surely it is the
- king of Israel. And they turned aside to fight against him:
- and Jehoshaphat
- cried out.
- 33. And it came to pass,
- when the captains of the chariots
- perceived that it was not
- the king of Israel, that they turned back

from pursuing him.

- 34. And a certain
- man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the
- king of Israel between the joints of the harness:
- wherefore he said unto the
 - driver of his chariot,
 - carry me out of the host; for
- I am wounded.
- 35. And the battle
- increased that day:
- and the king was
- stayed up
- in his chariot
 - against the Syrians,
- and died at even: and the blood ran out of the wound
- into the midst of the chariot.
- 36. And there went a
- proclamation throughout
 the host about the going down of the sun.
- saying, Every man
- **to his city,** and every man to his own country.
- 37. So the king died, and was brought to Samaria; and they buried the king in Samaria.
- 38. And one washed the
- chariot in the pool of Samaria; and the dogs licked up
- his blood; and they washed his armour; according unto the word of the LORD which he spake.

- 39. Now the rest of the acts of Ahab, and all that he did, and the ivory house which he made, and all the cities that he built, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
- 40. So Ahab slept with his fathers;
- and Ahaziah his son reigned in his stead.
- 41. And Jehoshaphat the son of Asa began to reign over Judah in the fourth year of Ahab king of Israel.
- 42. Jéhoshaphat was thirty and five years old when he began to reign; and he
- reigned twenty and five years in Jerusalem.
 - And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi.
- 43. And he walked in all the ways of Asa his father;
 - he turned not aside from it,
- doing that which was
- right in the eyes of the LORD: nevertheless the
- LÖRD: nevertheless the high places were not taken
 - **away**; for the people offered and burnt incense yet in the high places.
 - 44. And Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel.
 - 45. Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, and his might that he shewed, and how he warred, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 46. And the remnant of
- the sodomites, which remained in the days of his father Asa,
- he took out of the land.
 - 47. There was then no king in Edom: a deputy was king.
 - 48. Jehoshaphat made
- ships of Tharshish

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- to go to Ophir for gold: but
- they went not; for the ships
- were broken at Ezion-geber.

 49 Then said Ahaziah the
- 49. Then said Ahaziah the
 son of Ahab unto
- Son of Andbunio
- Jehoshaphat, Let my
- servants go with thy servants
- in the ships. But
- Jehoshaphat would not.

50. And Jehosaphat slept with his fathers.

and was buried with his fathers

in the city of David his father:

and Jehoram his son reigned in his stead.

■ 51. **Ahaziah** the son of Ahab

began to reign over Israel

■ in Samaria

the seventeenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah.

■ and reigned two years

over Israel.

52. And he did evil in the sight of the LORD, and walked in the way of his father, and in the way of his mother, and in the way of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin:

■ 53. For he served Baal, and worshipped him,

and provoked to anger

the LORD God of Israel, according to all that his father had done.

ELIJAH AND ELISHA:

PROPHETS IN ISRAEL

Israel, the northern kinadom. and Judah.

the southern kinadom.

were both in the

throes of death.

After the reigns of

King David and Solomon.

the deterioration

a came rapidly. The children of Israel, miraculously delivered from slavery and brought by God into The Promised Land.

had turned from the Lord and His commandments.

They had

forsaken temple worship and

ioined themselves

to the

idolatrous practices

of neighboring nations and made unholy alliances with them.

The official

priesthood was

corrupted by materialism and a quest for power.

Kings were rising and falling in the matter

of weeks and months.

All social, commercial, and governmental

institutions were

in disarray.

Amidst the chaos stood two

mighty prophets of God.

Elijah and his successor.

Elisha.

Both were fearless.

denouncina sin and corruption

in both high and low places.

Students of I and II Kings

may arow weary of the incessant bent toward

evil seen in the Kinas

of Israel and Judah.

The stories of Elijah and

Elisha, however, form

some of the most exciting drama in the Bible as well as

showing how a man committed to God

> and His truth and couragous enough to stand, speak, and act.

can often

be used by the Holy Spirit to

turn défeat into victory.

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CHAPTER 1

- 1 1. Then Moab rebelled against Israel after the death of Ahab.
- 2. And Ahaziah fell down
- through a lattice in his upper chamber

that was in Samaria.

- and was sick: and he sent messengers, and
- said unto them,
- Go, inquire of
- Baal-zebub the god of Ekron
- whether I shall
- recover of this disease.
 - 3. But the angel of the LORD said to Elijah the Tishbite, Arise,
- go up to

- meet the messengers of the king of Samaria,
- and say unto them,
- Is it not because there is not a God in Israel, that
- ye go to
- | inquire of Baal-zebub
 - the god of Ekron?
- 4. Now therefore thus saith the LORD.
- Thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but
- shalt surely die. And Elijah departed.
- 5. And when
- the messengers turned
- back unto him, he said unto them, Why are ye now turned back?
- 6. And they said unto him, There came a man up to meet us, and said unto us,
- Go, turn again unto the
- | king that sent you,
- and say unto him,
- Thus saith the LORD, Is it not
- because there is not a God in Israel, that
- thou sendest to inquire
- of Baal-zebub the god of Ekron? therefore
- thou shalt not come down from that bed on which thou art gone up, but
 - shalt surely die.
- 7. And he said unto them.

- What manner of
- man was he which came up to meet you, and
- told you these words?
 - And thev
- answered him. He was
- an hairy man, and girt
- with a girdle of leather about his loins.
 - And he said, It is Elijah the Tishbite.
- Then the king sent unto him a captain of fifty with his fifty. And he went up to him: and, behold, he sat on the top of an hill.
- And he spake unto him, Thou man of
- God, the king hath said,
- Come down.
- 10. And Elijah answered and said to the captain of fifty.
- If I be a man of God, then
- let fire come down
- from heaven, and
- consume thee and thy fifty.
- And there came down
- fire from heaven, and consumed him and his fifty.
- 11. **Again** also
- he sent unto him
- another captain of fifty with his fifty. And he answered and said unto him, O man of God, thus hath the king said, Come down quickly. 12. And Elijah answered and said
 - unto them. If I be a man of God, let fire come down from heaven, and consume thee and thy fifty. And the
- fire of God came down
 - from heaven, and
- consumed him and his fifty.
- 13. And he sent again
- a captain of the third fifty with his fifty. And the
- third captain of fifty went up, and came and fell on his knees
- before Elijah, and besought him,
- and said unto him,
- O man of God, I pray thee,
- let my life, and the life of these fifty thy servants,
- be precious in thy sight.

■ I 14. **Behold**, there came

fire down

from heaven, and

burnt up the two captains

of the former lifties with their fifties: therefore let my life now be precious in thy sight.

15. And the angel of the LORD said unto Elijah. Go down with him: be not afraid of him.

And he arose and went down with him unto the king.

16. **And** he

said unto him. Thus saith the LORD.

Forasmuch as thou hast sent messengers to inquire

of Baal-zebub the

god of Ekron, is it not because there is no God in Israel to inquire of his word? therefore

thou shalt not come down off that bed on which thou art gone up, but shalt surely die.

17. So he died according

to the word of the LORD which Elijah had spoken.

And Jehoram reigned in his stead in the second year of Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king of Judah; because he had no son.

18. Now the rest of the acts

of Ahaziah which he did.

are they not

■ written in the book of the

chronicles of the kings of Israel?

CHAPTER 2

■ 1 1. And it came to pass.

when the LORD would

■ take up Elijah into heaven

by a whirlwind, that

Elijah went with Elisha

from Gilaal.

2. And Elijah said unto

Elisha, Tarry here, I pray thee:

for the LORD hath sent

me to Beth-el. And

Elisha said unto him. As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth.

I will not leave thee, so

they went down to Beth-el.

3. And the sons of

the prophets that were at Beth-el came forth to Elisha, and

said unto him.

Knowest thou that the LORD will take away thy master from thy head to-day? And he said, Yea.

I know if; hold ye your peace.

4. And Elijah

said unto him, Elisha,

tarry here, I pray thee: for the LORD hath sent me to Jericho. And he said. As the LORD liveth.

and as thy soul liveth.

I will not leave thee. So they came to Jericho.

5. And the sons of

the prophets that were at Jericho came to

Elisha, and said unto him.

Knowest thou that

the LORD will take away thy master from thy head

to-day? And he answered. Yea.

I know it: hold ye your peace.

6. And Elijah said unto him.

Tarry, I pray thee.

here: for the LORD hath sent me to Jordan.

And he said, As the LORD liveth, and as thy soul liveth.

I will not leave thee.

And they two

went on. 7. And fifty men of the sons of the

prophets went, and stood to view afar off; and they two

stood by Jordan.

8. And Elijah took his mantle, and wrapped it together.

and smote the waters.

and they were

divided hither 6

and thither, so that

they two

went over on dry ground.

And it came to pass. when they were gone over, that

Elijah said unto Elisha,

Ask what I shall do for

and bowed

before him.

16. **And** they

themselves to the ground

said unto him, Behold now,

II KINGS 2 thee, before I be taken away from thee. And Elisha said, I pray thee. let a double portion of thy spirit be upon me. 10. And he said. Thou hast asked a hard thing: nevertheless, if thou see me when I am taken from thee it shall be so unto thee: but it not, it shall not be so. 11. **And** it came to pass. 8 as they still went on, and talked, that, behold. there appeared a chariot of fire, and ■ horses of fire, and parted them both asunder: and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. 12. And Elisha saw it, and he cried, My father, my father, the chariot of Israel. and the horsemen thereof. And he saw him no more: and he took hold of his own clothes. and rent them in two pieces. 13. He took up also the mantle of Elijah that fell from him, and went back, and stood by the bank of Jordan: 14. And he took the mantle of Elijah that fell from him and smote the waters. and said. Where is the LORD God of Elijah? and when he also had smitten the waters, they parted hither and thither: and Elisha went over. 15. And when the sons of the prophets which were to view at Jericho saw him, they said. The spirit of Eliiah doth rest on Elisha. ■ And they came to meet him.

fifty strong men: let them ao. we pray thee, and seek thy master: lest peradventure the spirit of the LORD hath taken him up, and cast him upon some mountain, or into some valley, And he said. Ye shall not send. 17. And when thev urged him till he was ashamed, he said, Send. They sent therefore fifty men: and they sought three days, but found him not. 18. And when they came again to him, (for he tarried at Jericho.) he said unto them Did I not say unto you, Go not? 19. And the men of the city said unto Elisha, Behold, I. pray thee, the situation of this city is pleasant, as my lord seeth: but the water is nought. and the ground barren. 20. And he said. Bring me a new cruse, and put salt therein. And they brought it to him. 21 And he went forth unto the spring of the waters. and cast the salt in there, and said. Thus saith the LORD. I have healed these waters: there shall not be from thence any more death or barren land. 22. So the waters were **healed** unto this day, according to the saving of Elisha which he spake. 23. And he went up from thence unto Beth-el: and as he was going up by the way. there came forth little children out of the city, and mocked him, and said unto him, Go up. thou bald head: go up, thou bald head. 24. And he turned back. and looked on them, and

there be with thy servants

- cursed them in the name of the LORD.
- And there came forth
- two she bears out of the wood.
- and tare forty and
- two children of them.
- 25. And he went from thence to mount
- Carmel, and from thence he
- returned to Samaria.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Now Jehoram the son of Ahab began to reign over Israel in Samaria the eighteenth year of Jehoshaphat king of Judah, and
- reigned twelve years.
- 2. **And** he
- wrought evil in the sight
- of the LORD: but not
 - like his father, and like his
- mother: for he put
- away the image of Baal that his father had made.
- Nevertheless he cleaved unto the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.
 - 4. And Mesha king of Moab was a sheepmaster, and rendered unto the king of Israel an hundred thousand lambs, and an hundred thousand rams, with the wool.
 - 5. But it came to pass.
- when Ahab was ■ dead, that the king of
- Moab rebelled
- against the king of
- Israel.
- 6. And king
 - Jehoram went out of Samaria the same time, and numbered all Israel. 7. And he went and
- sent to Jehoshaphat the king of Judah.
- saying, The king of
- Moab hath
- rebelled against me:
- wilt thou go with me
- against Moab to battle?
- And he said, I will go up: I am as thou art, my people as thy people, and my horses as thy horses.

- 8. And he said, Which way shall we go up? And he answered. The way through the wilderness of Edom.
- 9. So the king of
- Israel went, and the king of Judah, and the king of
- Edom: and they
- fetched a compass of seven days' journey:
- and there was no water for the host, and for
 - the cattle that followed them.
- 10. And the king of Israel said. Alas! that
- the LORD hath called these three kings together.
- to deliver them into the hand of Moab!
- 11. But Jehoshaphat
 - said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD.
- that we may inquire of the LORD by him?
- And one of the king of Israel's servants answered and said.
- Here is Elisha the son of
 - Shaphat, which poured water on the hands of Elijah. 12. And Jehoshaphat
 - said. The word of the LORD is with him. So the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat and the king of Edom went down to him.
- 13. And Elisha said unto the king of Israel.
- What have I to do with thee? get thee to the prophets of thy father, and
- to the prophets of thy mother. And the king of Israel
- said unto him. Nav: for the LORD hath
- called these three kings together.
- to deliver them into
- the hand of Moab.
 - 14. And Elisha said. As the LORD of hosts liveth. before whom I stand, surely,
 - were it not that I regard the presence of

II KINGS 4 Jehoshaphat the king of Judah, I would not look toward thee, nor see thee. 15. But now bring me a minstrel. And it came to pass, when the minstrel played, that the hand of the LORD came upon him. 16. And he said. Thus saith the LORD. Make this valley full of ditches. 17. For thus saith the LORD. Ye shall not see wind. neither shall ve see rain; yet that valley shall be filled with water, that ye may drink, both ye, and your cattle, and your beasts. 18. And this is but a light thing in the sight of the LORD: he will deliver the Moabites also into your hand. ■ 19. And ye shall ■ smite every fenced city, and every choice city, and shall ■ fell every good ■ tree, and stop all wells of water, and mar every good ■ piece of land with stones. 20. And it came to pass in the morning, when the meat offering was offered, that, behold, there came water by the way of Edom, and the country was filled with water. 21. And when all the Moabites heard that ■ the kings were come up to fight against them, they gathered all that were able to ■ | put on armour, **and** upward, and

stood in the border.

■ in the morning, and

22. And they rose up early

the sun shone upon the water, and the Moabites saw the water on the other side as red as blood: 23. And they said, This is blood: the kings are surely slain, and they have smitten one another: now therefore, Moab, to the spoil, 24. And when they came to the camp of Israel, the Israelites rose up and smote the Moabites, so that they fled before them: but they went forward smiting the Moabites, even in their country. 25. And they beat down the cities, and on every good piece of land cast every man his stone, and filled it; and they stopped all the wells of water. and felled all the good trees: only in Kir-haraseth left they the stones thereof; howbeit the slingers went about it, and smote it. 26. And when the king of Moab saw that the battle was too sore for him, he took with him seven hundred men that drew swords, to break through even unto the king of Edom: but they could not. 27. Then he took his eldest son that should have reigned in his stead. and offered him for a burnt offering upon the wall.

And there was great

indignation against Israel:

and they departed from him, and

returned to their own land.

CHAPTER 4

 Now there cried a certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets

unto Elisha, saying,

Thy servant my husband

is dead; and thou knowest that thy servant did fear the LORD: 569 and the creditor is come to take unto him my two sons to be bondmen. 2 And Elisha said unto her. What shall I do for thee? tell me. what hast thou in the house? And she said. Thine handmaid hath not any thing in the house. save a pot of oil. 3. Then he said, Go, borrow thee vessels abroad of all thy neighbours, even empty vessels: borrow not a few. 4. And when thou art come in, thou shalt shut the door upon thee and upon thy sons, and shalt DOUI out into all those vessels, and thou shalt set aside that which is full. 5. So she went from him, and shut the door upon her and upon her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured out 6. And it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said unto her son. Bring me yet a vessel. And he said unto her. There is not a vessel more. And the oil stayed. 7. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, Go. sell the oil, and pay thy debt, and live thou and thy children of the rest. 8. And it fell on a day, that Elisha passed to Shunem.

where was a great woman:

and she constrained him to eat

bread. And so it was, that as

off as he passed by.

9. And she said unto

her husband. Behold now,

he turned in thither

■ to eat bread.

■ I perceive that

this is an holy man of God. which passeth by us continually. 10. Let us make a little chamber, I pray thee, on the wall; and let us set for him there a bed, and a table, and a stool, and a candlestick: and it shall be. when he cometh to us, that he shall turn in thither. 11. And it fell on a day, that he came thither. and he turned into the chamber. and lay there. 12. And he said to Gehazi his servant. Call this Shunammite. And when he had called her, she stood before him. And he said unto him. Say now unto her, Behold, thou hast been careful for us with all this care: what is to be done for thee? wouldest thou be spoken for to the king, or to the captain of the host? And she answered. I dwell among mine own people. 14. And he said, What then is to be done for her? And Gehazi answered, Verily she hath no child, and her husband is old. And he said. Call her. And when he had called her, she stood in the door. 16. And he said. About this season, according to the time of life, thou shalt embrace a son. And she said, Nay, my lord, thou man of God. do not lie unto thine handmaid. 17. And the woman conceived, and bare a son at that season that Elisha had said unto her. according to the time of life. 18. And when the child was grown, it fell on a day, that he went out to his father to the reapers.

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	19. And he said unto his father, My head, my head. And he said to a lad, Carry him to his mo 20. And when he had takbrought him to his mother, he sat on her knees till noon, and then died.	en him, and
	21. And she went up, a laid him on the bed the man of God, and the door upon him, and we 22. And she	of shut
	called unto her husband, and s Send me, I pray thee, one of the young men, and one of the asses.	said,
	that I may run to the man of God, and come again. 23. And he said, Whe will thou go to him	erefore
•	to-day? <i>it is</i> neither moon, nor sabbath she said, <i>It shall be</i> well. 24. Then she saddled an and said to her servant, Di	ass, rive,
	and go forward; slack not the riding for me, except I bid to 25. So she went and counto the man of God to mount Carmel. And it came to pass,	hee. ame
	when the man of Go saw her atar off, that he said to Gehazi his servant, Behold, yonder is that Shun	
	26. Run now, I pray thee, to meet her, and sa is it well with thee? If they husband? is it well with And she answered, they well.	y unto her, is it well with the child?
	It is well: 27. And when she co	

■ she caught him by the

feet: but Gehazi came near to

thrust her away. And the

man of God said. Let her

her: and the LOBD hath hid it from me, and hath not told me. 28. Then she said, Did I desire a son of my lord? did I not say, Do not deceive me? 29. Then he said to Gehazi. Gird up thy loins, and take my staff in thine hand, and go thy way: if thou meet any man, salute him not; and if any salute thee, answer him not again: and lay my staff upon the face of the child. And the mother of the child. said. As the LORD liveth. and as thy soul liveth. I will not leave thee. And he arose, and followed her. And Gehazi passed on before them, and laid the staff upon the face of the child: but there was neither voice, nor hearing. Wherefore he went again. to meet him, and told him. saying, The child is not awaked. 32. And when Elisha was come into the house, behold. the child was dead. and laid upon his bed. He went in therefore. and shut the door upon them twain. and prayed unto the LORD. 34. And he went up, and lay upon the child, and put his mouth upon his mouth. and his eves upon his eves. and his hands upon his hands; and stretched himself upon the child: and the flesh of the child waxed warm. Then he returned. and walked in the house to and fro: and went up, and stretched himself upon him: and the child sneezed seven times. and the child opened his eyes. 36. And he called Gehazi, and said. Call this

gione: for her soul is vexed within

■ I Shunammite. So he called her. And when she was come in unto him. ■ he said, Take up thy son. 37. Then she went in, and fell at his feet, and bowed herself to the ground. and took up her son, and went out. 38. And Elisha came again to Gilaal: and there was a dearth in the

land; and the sons of the prophets were sitting before him:

and he said unto his servant. Set on the great pot, and seethe pottage for the sons of the prophets. 39. And one went

out into the field

to aather herbs, and found a wild vine, and gathered thereof wild gourds his lap full, and came

and shred them into the pot of

poffage: for they knew them not.

40. So they poured out for the men to eat.

And it came to pass.

as they were eating of the pottage, that

they cried out, and said. O thou

man of God. there is death in the pot. And

they could not eat thereof.

41. But he said. Then bring meal. And he

cast it into the pot; and he

said. Pour out for the

people, that they may eat. And there was no harm

in the pot.

42. And there came a man from Baal-shalisha, and

brought the man of God bread of the firstfruits,

twenty loaves of barley, and full ears of corn in the husk thereof.

And he

said, Give unto the

people, that they may eat.

43. And his servitor

said. What.

should I set this before

an hundred men? He said again, Give the people, that they may

eat: for thus saith the LORD. They shall eat, and shall leave thereof. 44. So he set it before them.

and they did eat, and left thereof, according to

the word of the LORD.

CHAPTER 5

 Now Naaman. captain of the host of the king of Syria, was a great man with his master, and honourable, because by him the LORD

had given deliverance unto Syria: he was also

a mighty man in valour. but he was a leper.

2. And the Syrians had gone out by companies, and had brought away captive out of the land of Israel a little maid; and she waited on Naaman's wife.

And she

> said unto her mistress. Would God my lord were with the prophet that is

in Samaria! for he would recover him of his leprosy.

4. And one went in, and told his lord, saving. Thus and thus said the maid that is of the land of Israel.

And the king of Syria said, Go to, go.

and I will send a letter unto the king of Israel.

And he departed, and took with him

ten talents of silver. and six thousand

pieces of gold, and ten changes of raiment.

6. And he brought the letter to the king of Israel.

saying, Now when this

letter is come unto thee, behold.

I have therewith

sent Naaman my servant to thee. that thou mayest recover

him of his leprosy.

went away in a rage. ■ 13. And his servants came

near, and spake unto him, and

said. My father.

And it came to pass. when the king of Israel had read the letter, that he rent his clothes. and said. Am I God. to kill and to make alive, that this man doth send unto me to recover a man of his leprosy? wherefore consider, I pray you, and see how he seeketh a auarrel against me. 8. And it was so. when Elisha the man of God had heard that the king of Israel had rent his clothes, that ■ he sent to the king, saving. Wherefore hast thou rent thy clothes? ■ let him come now to me, and he shall know that there is a prophet in Israel. 9. So Naaman came with his horses and with his chariot. and stood at the door of the house of Elisha. 10. And Elisha sent a messenger unto him, saying. Go and wash in Jordan seven times, and thy flesh shall come again to thee. and thou shalt be clean. 11. But Naaman was wroth, and went away. and said, Behold, ■ I thought, He will surely **come out** to me, and stand. and call on the name of the LORD his God ■ and strike his ■ hand over the place, **and** recover the leper. ■ 12. Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of ■ Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? may I not wash in ■ them, and be clean? ■ So he turned and

if the prophet had bid thee ■ l do some great thing, wouldest thou not have done it? how much rather then, when he saith to thee Wash, and be clean? 14. Then went he down, and dipped himself seven times in Jordan. according to the saving of the man of God: and his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child. and he was clean. 15 And he returned to the man of God, he and all his company, and came. and stood before him: and he said. Behold, now I know that there is no God in all the earth. but in Israel: now therefore. I pray thee. take a blessing of thy servant. 16. But he said, As the LORD liveth, before whom I stand. I will receive none. And he urged him to take it; but he refused. 17. And Naaman said. Shall there not then, I pray thee, be given to the servant two mules' burden of earth? for thy servant will henceforth offer neither burnt offering nor sacrifice unto other gods, but unto the LORD. 18. In this thing the LORD pardon thy servant, that when my master goeth into the house of Rimmon to worship there, and he leaneth on my hand, and I bow myself in the house of Rimmon: when I bow down myself in the house of Rimmon. the LORD pardon thy servant in this thing. 19. And he said unto him, Go in peace. So he

573 departed from him a little way. 20. But Gehazi, the servant of Elisha the man of God. said. Behold. mv master hath spared Naaman this Syrian. in not receiving at his hands that which he brought: but, as the LORD liveth. I will run after him, and take somewhat of him. 21. So Gehazi followed after Naaman, And when Naaman saw him running after him. he lighted down from the chariot to meet him, and said, Is all well? 22 **And** he said. All is well. My master hath sent me, saying, Behold, even now there be come to me from mount Ephraim two young men of the sons of the prophets: give them, I pray thee. a talent of silver, and two changes of garments. 23. And Naaman said, Be content, take two talents. And he urged him, and bound two talents of silver in two bags, with two changes of garments, and laid them upon two of his servants; and they bare them before him. 24. And when he came to the tower. he took them from their hand, and bestowed them in the house; and he let the men go, and they departed. 25. But he went in , and stood before his master, And Elisha said unto him. Whence comest thou, Gehazi?

And he said, Thy servant

Went not mine heart with

thee, when the man turned again

26. And he said unto him,

from his chariot to meet thee?

Is it a time to receive

went no whither.

money, and to receive garments, and olivevards, and vinevards, and sheep, and oxen, and menservants, and maidservants? 27. The leprosy therefore of Naaman shall cleave unto thee, and unto thy seed for ever. And he went out from his presence a leper as white as snow.

CHAPTER 6 1. And the sons of the prophets said unto Elisha, Behold now, the place where we dwell with thee is too strait for us. 2. Let us go, we pray thee, unto Jordan, and take thence every man a beam. and let us make us a place there, where we may dwell. And he answered, Go ye. And one said. Be content. pray thee, and go with thy servants. And he answered, I will go. So he went with them. And when they came to Jordan, they cut down wood. 5. But as one was felling a beam, the axe head fell into the water: and he cried, and said, Alas, master! for it was borrowed. And the man of God said, Where fell it? And he shewed him the place. And he cut down a stick, and cast if in thither; and the iron did swim. Therefore said he. Take if up to thee. And he put out his hand, and took it. Then the king of Syria warred against Israel, and took counsel with his servants. saying, in such and such a place shall

be my camp.

- And the man of God sent unto the king of Israel. saying, Beware that thou ■ | pass not such a
- | place; for thither ■ the Syrians are come down. ■ 10. And the king of Israel sent to the place which the man of God told him and warned him of, and
- saved himself there. not once nor twice.
- 11. Therefore the heart of the king of Syria was sore troubled for this thing;

and he

- called his servants. and said unto them. Will ve not shew me which of us is for the king of Israel?
- 12. And one of
- his servants said.
- None, my lord, O king:
- but Elisha, the prophet that is in Israel,
- telleth the king of Israel the words that
- thou speakest in thy bedchamber.
- 13. And he said. Go and spy where he is, ■ | that | may send and
- fetch him. And it was ■ told him, saying, Behold,
- *he is* in Dothan.
- 14. Therefore sent he thither horses, and chariots, and
- a areat host: and they came by night,
- and compassed the city about.
- 15. And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold,
- an host compassed the
- City both with horses and chariots. ■ And his servant
- said unto him.
- Alas, my master!
- how shall we do?
- 16. And he answered.
- Fear not: for they that be with us are more than
- they that be with them.

- 17 And Elisha
- prayed, and said,
- LORD, I pray thee,
- open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of
- the young man; and he
- SQW: and, behold.
 - the mountain was
- full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha.
- 18. And when they
- came down to him.
- Elisha praved unto the LORD, and said,

Smite this people, I pray thee.

with blindness. And he smote them with blindness according to the word of Elisha.

- 19. And Elisha said unto them,
- This is not the
- **WQY**, neither is this the city:
- follow me, and I will bring vou to the man whom ve
- seek. But he led them to Samaria.
 - 20. And it came to pass.
- when they were come
- into Samaria, that
- Elisha said, LORD,
- open the eyes of these men, that they may see. And
- the LORD opened their eyes. and they saw; and, behold,
- they were in the
- midst of Samaria.
- 21. And the king of Israel said unto Elisha, when he saw them. My father,
- shall I smite them?
 - shall I smite them?
- 22. And he answered. Thou shalt not smite them:

wouldest thou smite those whom thou hast taken captive with thy sword and with thy bow?

- set bread and water before them, that they may
- eat and drink, and
- go to their master.
 - 23. And he prepared great provision for them; and when they had eaten and drunk, he sent them away. and they went to their master.
- So the bands of Syria came

no more into the land of Israel.

24. And it came to pass

after this, that

Ben-hadad king of Syria gathered all his host.

and went up, and

besieged Samaria.

25. And there was a great famine in Samaria: and, behold.

they besieged it, until an ass's head was sold for fourscore pieces of silver, and the fourth part of a cab of dove's dung for five pieces of silver.

26. And as the king of Israel was passing by upon the wall, there cried a woman unto him.

saying, Help, my lord. O king.

> 27 And he said, If the LORD do not help thee, whence shall I help thee? out of the barnfloor. or out of the winepress?

28. And the king said unto her.

What aileth thee? And she answered.

This woman said unto me. Give thy son, that we may eat him to-day, and we

will eat my son to-morrow.

29. So we boiled my son, and

did eat him: and I said unto her on

the next day, Give thy

SON, that we may eat him:

and she hath hid her son.

30. And it came to pass,

when the king

heard the words of the woman, that

he rent his clothes; and he passed by upon the wall, and the people looked, and, behold, he had

sackcloth within upon his flesh. ■ 31. Then he said. God

■ do so and more also

■ to me, if the head of ■ Elisha the son of Shaphat

shall stand on

■ him this day.

32. But Elisha sat in his house, and the elders sat with him; and the king sent a man from before him:

but ere the

messenger came to him,

he said to the

elders. See ve how

this son of a murderer hath sent to take away

mine head? look.

when the messenger cometh, shulthe door, and hold him fast at the door: is not the sound of his master's feet behind him?

And while he vet

talked with them, behold.

the messenger came down unto him: and he said, Behold, this evil is of the LORD; what should I wait for the LORD any longer?

CHAPTER 7

1. Then Elisha said, Hear ye the word of the

LORD: Thus saith the LORD.

To-morrow about this time

shall a measure of fine flour *be sold* for a shekel.

> and two measures of barley for a shekel, in the gate of Samaria.

2. Then a lord on whose

hand the king leaned answered the man of

God, and said, Behold,

if the LORD would make windows in

heaven, might this thing be? And he said, Behold,

thou shalf see if with thine eyes,

but shalt not eat thereof.

And there were

four leprous

men at the entering

in of

the gate: and they

said one to another, Why sit we here

until we die?

4. If we say,

We will enter into

the city, then the famine is in the city, and II KINGS 7 we shall die there; and if we sit. still here, we die also. Now therefore come, and ■ let us fall unto the host of ■ the Syrians: if they ■ save us alive. we shall live: and if they kill us, we shall but die. 5. And they rose up in the twilight, to go unto the camp of the Syrians: and when they were come to the uttermost part of ■ the camp of Syria, behold. there was no man there. 6. For the LORD had made the host of the Syrians to hear a noise of chariots, and a noise of horses. even the noise of a great host: and they said one to another, Lo, the king of Israel hath hired against us the kings of the Hittites, and the kings of the **Egyptians,** to come upon us. ■ 7. Wherefore they arose and ■ I fled in the twilight, ■ and left their tents, and their ■ horses, and their asses, even the camp as it was, and fled for their life. 8. And when these ■ lepers came to the uttermost part of the camp. they went into one tent, and did eat and drink, and carried thence silver, and gold, and raiment, and went and hid it, and came again, and entered into another tent, and carried thence also, and went and hid it. 9. Then they said one to another, We do not well: this day is a day of good tidings, and we hold our peace: if we tarry till the morning light, some mischief will come upon us: now therefore

come, that we may go and

■ | tell the king's household.

10. So they came and

called unto

the porter of the city: and they told them, saying, We came to the camp of the Syrians, and, behold, there was no man there, neither voice of man, but horses tied, and asses tied, and the tents as they were. 11. And he called the porters; and they told it to the king's house within. 12. And the king arose in the night. and said unto his servants. I will now shew you what the Syrians have done to us. They know that we be hungry; therefore are they aone out of the camp to hide themselves in the field. saying, When they come out of the city. we shall catch them alive, and get into the city. 13. And one of his servants answered and said. Let some take. I pray thee, five of the horses that remain, which are left in the city, (behold, they are as all the multitude of Israel that are left in it: behold, I say, they are even as all the multitude of the Israelites that are consumed:) and let us send and ■. see. 14. They took therefore two chariot horses; and the king sent after the host of the Syrians, saying, Go and see. 15. **And** they went after them unto Jordan: and, lo, all the way *was* full of garments and vessels. which the Syrians had cast away in their haste. And the messengers returned, and told the king. 16. **And the** people went out, and

spoiled the tents

of the Syrians. So

- a measure of fine flour was sold for a shekel, and
- two measures
 - of barley for
 - - a shekel, according to the word of the LORD.
- 17. And the king appointed the lord on whose hand
- he leaned to have the charge of the gate:
- and the people trode
- upon him in the gate.
 - and he died, as the man of God had said, who spake when the king came down to him.
 - 18. And it came to pass
- as the man of God had spoken to the king, saying, Two measures of barley for a shekel. and a measure of fine flour for a shekel, shall be to-morrow about this time in the gate of Samaria:
 - 19. And that lord answered the man of God, and said. Now, behold, if the LORD should make windows in heaven, might such a thing be? And he said, Behold, thou shalt see it with thine eyes, but shalt not eat thereof. 20. And so it fell out unto him:
 - for the people trade upon him in the gate, and he died.

CHAPTER 8

- 1 1. Then spake Elisha
- unto the woman.
- whose son he had
- restored to
- life, saying, Arise, and
- GO thou and thine household, and
- solourn wheresoever
- thou canst sojourn:
- for the LORD hath called for
- a famine; and it shall also come upon the land
- seven years.
- 2. And the woman arose, and did after the saving of the man of God: and she
- went with her household.
- and sojourned in the land
- of the Philistines seven years.

- And it came to pass. at the seven years' end, that the woman returned out
- of the land of the Philistines:
- and she went forth to cry unto the king for her house and for her
- land
 - 4. And the king talked with Gehazi the servant of the man of God.
 - saying, Tell me, I pray thee, all the areat things that
- Elisha hath done.
- And it came to pass.
 - as he was tellina the kina how he had restored a dead body
- to life, that, behold,
- the woman whose son he had restored to life
- cried to the king for her house and for her land.
- And Gehazi said. My lord, O king,
- this is the woman, and this is her son, whom Elisha
 - restored to life.
- And when the king asked the woman, she
- told him. So the kina
- appointed unto her a certain officer, saying,
- Restore all that was hers, and all the fruits of the field since the day that
- she left the land, even until now, 7. And Elisha came to
- Damascus: and Ben-hadad the kina of
 - Syria was sick: and it was told him, saving. The man of God is come hither.
- And the king

- said unto Hazael.
- Take a present in thine hand. and go, meet the man of
- God, and inquire of the
- LORD by him, saying,
- Shall I recover of this disease?
- So Hazael went to meet
 - him, and took a present with him, even of every good thing of

Damascus, forty camels' burden. and came and stood before him.

and said. Thy son

Ben-hadad king of Syria

hath sent me to thee.

saying, Shall I

recover of this disease? 10 And Elisha said

unto him. Go.

say unto him,

Thou mayest certainly recover: howbeit

the LORD hath

shewed me that

he shall surely

11. And he settled his countenance stedfastly, until he was ashamed:

and the man of God wept.

■ 12. And Hazael said. ■ Why weepeth my lord?

And he answered.

Because I know the evil that

thou wilt do unto the children of Israel: their strong holds wilt

thou set on fire, and their young men wilt thou slav with the sword, and wilt dash their children. and rip up their women with child.

13. And Hazael said, But what, is thy servant a dog, that he

should do this great

thina? And Elisha answered. The LORD hath

shewed me that thou

shalt be king over Syria.

■ 14. **So he** departed from Elisha, and came to his master:

who said to him.

What said Elisha to thee?

And he answered.

He told me that

thou shouldest surely

recover.

■ 15. **And** it came to pass

■ on the morrow, that

he took a thick **=**1

cloth, and

dipped it in water, and

spread it on his face, so that

he died: and Hazael reigned in his stead.

■ 16. And in the fifth year

of Joram the son of Ahab king of Israel, Jehoshaphat being then king of Judah. Jehoram the son of Jehoshaphat king

of Judah began to reign.

17. Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign;

and he reigned eight **Vears** in Jerusalem.

18. And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, as did

the house of Ahab; for the daughter of Ahab was his wife:

and he did evil in the sight of the LORD.

19. Yet the LORD would not destroy Judah for

David his servant's sake, as he promised him to give him alway a light, and to his children.

20. In his days Edom

revolted from under the hand of Judah, and made a

king over themselves. 21. **So Joram went** over

to Zair, and all the chariots with him: and he rose by night,

and smote the Edomites

which compassed him about, and the captains of the chariots; and the people fled into their tents.

22. Yet Edom revolted from under the hand of Judah unto this day.

Then Libnah revolted at the same time.

23. And the rest of the acts of Joram, and all that he did. are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

24. And Joram slept with his fathers.

and was buried with his fathers

in the city of David: and Ahaziah his son

reigned in his stead.

25. In the twelfth year

of Joram the son of Ahab

Kina of Israel did

Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king

of Judah begin to reign. 26. Two and twenty years old was

Ahaziah when he began to reign;

and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. And his mother's

name was Athaliah, the daughter of Omri king of Israel.

27. And he walked in the way of the house of Ahab.

and did evil in the sight

of the LORD, as did the house of Ahab; for he was the son in law of the house of Ahab.

28 And he went with

Joram the son of Ahab

to the war against Hazael

king of Syria in Ramoth-gilead;

and the Syrians wounded Joram.

29. And king

Joram went back

to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him at Ramah, when he fought

against Hazael king of Syria. And Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah

went down

to see Joram the son of Ahab

■ in Jezreel, because he was sick.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. And Elisha the prophet
- called one of the children of the prophets, and said unto him. Gird up thy loins, and

take this box of

oil in thine hand, and go

■ to Ramoth-gilead:

2. And when thou comest thither.

look out there Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi, and go in, and make him arise up from among his brethren, and carry him to an inner chamber:

3. Then take the box of

oil, and pour it on his head,

and say, Thus saith the LORD.

I have anointed thee king over Israel. Then open the

door, and flee, and tarry not.

4. So the young man. even the young man

the prophet, went to Ramoth-gilead.

5. And when he came, behold, the

captains of the host were sitting:

and he

said, I have an .

errand to thee, O captain.

And Jehu said.

Unto which of all us? And he said.

To thee, O captain.

6. And he arose and went into the house:

and he

poured the oil on his

head, and said unto him.

Thus saith the

LORD God of Israel.

I have anointed thee king over the people of the LORD, even over Israel.

7. And thou shalt smite the house of Ahab thy master.

that I may avenge the blood of my servants

the prophets, and the blood of all the servants of the LORD.

at the hand of Jezebel.

8. For the whole house of Ahab shall perish: and I will cut off from Ahab him that pisseth against the wall, and him

> And I will make the house of Ahab like the house of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, and like the house of Baasha the son of Ahiiah:

that is shut up and left in Israel:

10. **And** the

dogs shall eat

Jezebel in the portion of Jezreel,

and there shall be none to bury *her*. And

he opened the door, and

fled.

11. Then Jehu came forth to the servants of his

lord: and one said unto him. is all well? wherefore came this

mad fellow to thee?

And he said unto them. Ye know the man, and his communication.

12. And they said, It

is false; tell us now.

And he said. Thus and thus spake he to me, saying,

Thus saith the LORD. I have anointed thee king over Israel.

13. Then they hasted, and took every man his garment, and put it under him on the top of the stairs, and

blew with

trumpets, saying, Jehu is king.

14. So Jehu the son of Jehoshaphat the son of Nimshi

conspired against Joram.

(Now Joram had kept Ramoth-gilead, he and all Israel, because of Hazael king of Syria. 15. But king Joram was returned to be healed in Jezreel of the wounds which the Syrians had given him, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria.)

And Jehu

said. If it be your minds, then

let none go forth nor

escape out of the city to go to tell it in Jezreel.

16. So Jehu rode in a chariot, and went

to Jezreel; for Joram lay there.

And Ahaziah king of Judah was come down

to see Joram.

17. And there stood

a watchman on the tower

in Jezreel, and he

spied the company of

Jehu as he came, and said, I see a company.

And Joram said. Take an horseman, and

send to meet them, and let him

SQY, Is it peace? 18. So there went one on horseback to meet him, and said. Thus saith the king.

Is it peace? And Jehu said, What hast thou to do with peace? turn thee behind

me. And the watchman told, saying, The messenger came to them, but he cometh not again.

19. Then he sent out

a second on

horseback, which came

| to them, and said,

Thus saith the king.

Is it peace? And Jehu answered. What hast thou

to do with peace? turn thee behind me.

20 And the watchman

told, saying, He came even unto them, and

cometh not again; and the

driving is

like the driving of

Jehu the son of Nimshi:

for he driveth furiously.

21. And Joram said.

Make ready. And

his chariot was made ready.

And Joram king of Israel

and Ahaziah king of Judah went out, each in his chariot, and they

went out against Jehu, and met him in the portion of Naboth the Jezreelite.

And it came to pass.

when Joram saw Jehu, that

he said. Is it peace.

Jehu? And he answered. What peace, so long as the whoredoms of thy mother

Jezebel and her

witchcrafts are so many?

23. And Joram

turned his hands, and fled, and said to Ahaziah.

There is treachery, O Ahaziah.

24. And Jehu drew a bow with his full strength.

and smote Jehoram between his arms, and the

> arrow went out at his heart. and he sunk down in his chariot. 25. Then said Jehu to

Bidkar his captain, Take up, and

cast him in the portion of the field of Naboth the

Jezreelite: for

remember how that, when I and thou rode together after Ahab his father,

the LORD laid this burden upon him;

> 26. Surely I have seen yesterday the blood of Naboth, and the blood of his sons, saith the

581 LORD; and I will requite thee in this plat, saith the LORD. Now therefore take and cast him into the plat of ground, according to ■ The word of the LORD. 27 But when Ahaziah the king of Judah saw this, he fled by the way of the garden house. And Jehu followed after ■ him, and said, Smite ■ him also in the chariot. And they did so at the going up to Gur, which is by Ibleam. And he fled to Megiddo. and died there. 28 And his servants carried him in a chariot ■ to Jerusalem, and buried him in his sepulchre ■ with his fathers in the city of David. 29. And in the eleventh year of Joram the son of Ahab began Ahaziah to reign over Judah. 30. And when Jehu was come to Jezreel. Jezebel heard of ■ it: and she painted her face, and tired her head. and looked out at a window. 31. And as Jehu entered in at the gate, she said, Had Zimri peace. who slew his master? 32. And he lifted up his face to the window, and said. Who is on my side? who? And there looked out to him two or three eunuchs. 33. And he said, Throw her ■ down. So they threw

her down: and some of

and he trode her

■ and said, Go, see now

under foot

her blood was sprinkled

on the wall, and on the horses:

34. And when he was come in,

he did eat and drink.

this cursed woman. and bury her: for she is a king's daughter. 35. And they went to bury her: but they found no more of her than the skull, and the feet, and the palms of her hands. 36. Wherefore they came again, and told him. Ånd he said, This is the word of the LORD. which he spake by his servant Elijah the Tishbite. savina. In the portion of Jezreel shall dogs eat the flesh of Jezebel:

37. And the carcase of Jezebel shall

be as dung upon the face of the field

in the portion of Jezreel; so that they

shall not say. This is Jezebel. CHAPTER 10 1 And Ahab had seventy sons in Samaria. And Jehu wrote letters, and sent to Samaria. unto the rulers of Jezreel, to the elders, and to them that brought up Ahab's children, saying, 2. Now as soon as this letter cometh to you, seeing your master's sons are with you, and there are with you chariots and horses, a fenced city also, and armour: Look even. out the best and meetest of your master's sons, and set *him* on his father's throne, and fight for

your master's house. 4. But they were exceedingly afraid, and said, Behold, two kings stood not before him: how then

shall we stand?

5. And he that was over the house, and he that was over the city, the elders also, and the bringers up of

the children, sent to Jehu, saying, We are thy servants, and will do all that thou shalt bid us: we will not make any king: do thou that which is good in thine eyes. 6. Then he wrote a letter the second time to them. saying, If ye be mine, and if ye will hearken unto my voice, take ve the heads of the men your master's sons, and come to me to Jezreel by to-morrow this time. Now the king's sons. being seventy persons, were with the great men of the city, which brought them up. 7. **And** it came to pass. when the letter came to them, that they took the king's sons, and slew seventy persons, and put their heads in baskets. and sent him them to Jezreel. 8. And there came ■ a messenger, and told him, saying, ■ They have brought the heads of the king's sons. And he said, Lay ye them in two heaps at the entering in of the gate until the morning. ■ 9. **And** it came to pass ■ in the morning, that he went out, and stood, and said to all the people, Ye be righteous: behold, ■ I conspired against my master, and slew him: but who slew all these? ■ 10. Know now that there shall ■ fall unto the earth ■ nothing of the ■ word of the LORD, ■ which the LORD spake

concerning the house of

Ahab: for the LORD hath done that

which he spake by his servant Elijah. 11. So Jehu siew all that remained of the house of Ahab in Jezreel, and all his great men, and his kinsfolks, and his priests, until he left him none remaining. 12. And he arose and departed, and came to Samaria. And as he was at the shearing house in the way, 13. Jehu met with the brethren of Ahaziah king of Judah, and said. Who *are* ye? And they answered. We *are* the brethren of Ahaziah and we go down to salute the children of the king and the children of the gueen. 14. And he said. Take them alive. And they took them alive, and slew them at the pit of the shearing house, even two and forty men; neither left he any of them. 15. And when he was departed thence. he lighted on Jehonadab the son of Rechab coming to meet him; and he saluted him. and said to him. Is thine heart right, as my heart is with thy heart? And Jehonadab answered, It is. If it be, give me thine hand. And he gave him his hand; and he took him up to him into the chariot. 16 **And** he said. Come with me, and see my zeal for the LORD. So they made him ride in his chariot. 17. And when he came to Samaria, he slew all that remained unto Ahab in Samaria, till he had destroyed him, according to the saying of the LORD, which he spake to Elijah.

18. And Jehu gathered

all the people together, and

Ahab served Baal a

said unto them.

little: but Jehu shall serve him much.

19 Now therefore

call unto me all

the prophets of Baal. all his servants, and all his

priests; let none be wanting:

for I have a great

sacrifice to do

to Baal; whosoever shall be wanting, he shall not live.

But Jehu did it in subtilty.

to the intent that he might destroy the worshippers of Baal

20 And Jehu said.

Proclaim a solemn assembly for Baal.

And they proclaimed it.

21. And Jehu sent through all Israel:

and all the worshippers

of Baal came, so that there was not a man left that came not. And they came into the house of Baal;

and the house of Baal

was full from one end to another 22. And he said unto him.

that was over the vestry.

Bring forth

vestments for all the

worshippers of Baal, And he brought them forth vestments.

23. And Jehu went, and Jehonadab the son of Rechab.

into the house of Baal.

and said unto the worshippers

of Baal, Search, and look that there be here with you

none of the servants of

the LORD, but the

worshippers of Baal only. 24. And when they went

in to offer sacrifices and burnt offerings.

Jehu appointed

fourscore men without.

and said, If any of the men whom I have brought into your hands

escape, he that letteth

■ him go, his life shall

be for the life of him.

25. And it came to pass, as soon

as he had made

an end of offering

the burnt offering, that Jehu said to the quard

and to the captains. Go in and

slav them; let none come forth. And they smote them with the edge of the sword; and the guard and the captains cast them out, and went to the city of the house of Baal.

26. And they

brought forth

the images out of the house of Baal.

and burned them.

27. And they brake down the image of Baal, and brake down the house of Baal, and made it a draught house unto this day.

28. Thus Jehu destroyed Baal out of Israel

29 Howbeit from the sins. of Jeroboam the son of Nebat. who made Israel to sin.

Jehu departed not

from after them, to wit.

the golden calves that were

in Bethel, and that were in Dan.

30. And the LORD

said unto Jehu.

Because thou hast done

well in executing that which is right in mine eyes, and hast done

unto the house of Ahab

according to all that was in mine heart.

thy children of

the fourth generation shall sit on the

throne of Israel.

31. But Jehu took no heed

to walk in the law of the LORD God of Israel with all his

heart; for he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam, which made Israel to sin.

32. In those days the LORD began to cut Israel short: and Hazael smote them

in all the coasts of Israel;

 From Jordan eastward, all the land of Gilead, the Gadites, and the Reubenites, and the Manassites. from Aroer, which is by the river

- Arnon, even Gilead and Bashan.

 34. Now the rest of the acts of Jehu, and all that he did, and all his might, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel?
- 35. And Jehu slept with his fathers:
- and they buried him inSamaria. And Jehoahaz
 - his son reigned in his stead.
 36. And the time that Jehu reigned over Israel in Samaria was twenty and eight years.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. And when Athaliah the
- mother of Ahaziah
 saw that her son was
- dead. she arose and
- destroyed all the
- seed royal.
- 2. But Jehosheba, the
 daughter of king Joram,
 sister of Ahaziah.
- took Joash the son of
- Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons which were slain; and they
- hid him, even him and his nurse, in the bedchamber from Athaliah, so that he was not slain.
- 3. And he was with her
- hid in the house of the LORD
- six years. And Athaliah
- did reign over the land.

 4. And the seventh
- year Jehoiada sent and
- year Jenoidad sent and fetched the rulers

over hundreds, with the captains and the guard,

- and brought them to him
- into the house of the LORD, and made a covenant
- with them, and took an oath of them in the house of the LORD.
- and shewed them the king's son.
- 5. And he commanded them, saving. This

is the thing that

- ye shall do; A third part of you that enter in on the sabbath
- shall even

- be keepers of the
- watch of the king's house;
- 6. And a third part
- shall be at the gate
 of Sur: and a third part
- at the gate behind the
- guard: so shall ye keep the watch of the house, that it be not broken down.
- 7. And two parts of all you that go forth
- on the sabbath, even they
- shall keep the watch of the house of the
- LORD about the king.
- 8. And ye shall compass
- the king round about, every man with his weapons in his hand:
- and he that cometh within the ranges, let him be
- slain: and be ye with the king as he goeth out and as he cometh in.
 - 9. And the captains over the hundreds did according to all things that Jehoiada the priest commanded: and they took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that should go out on the sabbath, and came to Jehoiada the priest.
 - And to the captains over hundreds did the priest give king David's spears and shields, that were in the temple of the LORD.
 - 11. And the guard stood, every man with his weapons in his hand, round about the king, from the right corner of the temple to the left corner of the temple, *along* by the altar and the temple.
- 12. And he brought forth
 the king's son, and put
 the crown upon him,
 - and *gave him* the testimony;
- and they
- made him king, and anointed him:
 - and they clapped their hands, and
- said, God save the king.

 13. And when Athaliah
- heard the noise of the guard and of the people,
- she came to the people

into the temple of the LORD. 14. And when she looked, behold. the king stood by a pillar. as the manner was, and the princes and the trumpeters by the king, and all the people of the land rejoiced. and blew with trumpets:

and Athaliah rent her clothes, and cried,

Treason, Treason.

15. **But Jehoiada** the priest commanded the captains of the hundreds, the officers of the host, and said unto them. Have her forth without the ranges; and him that followeth her kill with the

sword. For the priest had said. Let her not be slain in the house of the LORD.

16. **And** they laid hands on her; and

she went by the

way by the which

the horses came into the king's house:

and there was she slain. 17. And Jehojada made a covenant between the LORD and the king and the people.

that they should be the LORD'S people; between

the king also and the people.

18. **And** all

the people of the land

went into the house of Baal, and brake it down:

his altars and his images brake they in pieces thoroughly.

and slew Mattan the priest of Baal before the altars. And the priest appointed officers over the house of the LORD.

19. And he took the rulers over hundreds, and the captains, and the

guard, and all the people of the land; and they brought down the king from the house

of the LORD, and came by the way of the gate of the guard to the king's house.

And he sat on the

throne of the kings.

20. **And** all

the people of the land

reioiced, and the city was in quiet: and they slew Athaliah with the sword beside the king's house.

21. Seven years old was Jehoash when

he began to reign.

CHAPTER 12

1. In the seventh year of Jehu Jehoash began to reign:

and forty years reigned he in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Zibiah of Beer-sheba.

2. And Jehoash

did that which was

right in the sight of the

LORD all his days wherein Jehojada the priest instructed him.

3. But the high places 8 were not taken away: the people still sacrificed and burnt incense in the high places.

4. And Jehoash said to the priests, All the money of the dedicated things that is brought into the house of the LORD. even the money of every one that passeth the account, the money that every man is set at, and

all the money that cometh into any man's heart to bring into the

house of the LORD. 5. Let the priests take it to them, every man of his acquaintance:

and let them

repair the breaches of the house, wheresoever any breach shall be found.

6. But it was so that

in the three and twentieth

year of king Jehoash the priests had not

repaired the breaches of the house.

7. Then king

Jehoash called

for Jehoiada the priest, and

the other

priests, and said unto them. Why repair ye

not the breaches of

the house? now therefore

- receive no *more* money of your acquaintance,
- but deliver it for the breaches of the house.
- 8. And the priests
- consented to receive no more money of the people, neither to repair the breaches of the house.
- 9. **But Jehoiada** the priest took a chest, and bored
- a hole in the lid of
- it, and set it beside the
 - altar, on the right side as one cometh into the house of the LORD:
- and the priests that kept the door
- put therein all the
- money that was
- brought into thehouse of the LORD.
 - 10. **And** it was *so*,
 - when they saw that there was much
- money in the chest, that
- the king's scribe and the
- high priest came up, and they put up in bags, and told the money that was found in
 - the money that was found in the house of the LORD.
- 11. And they gave
- the money, being told,
- into the hands of them that did the work, that had the
 - oversight of the house of the LORD: and they laid it out to the carpenters and builders, that wrought upon the house of the LORD,
 - 12. And to masons, and hewers of stone, and to buy timber and hewed stone to repair the breaches of the house of the LORD, and for all that was laid out for the house to repair it.
- 13. Howbeit there were not made for the house of the LORD bowls of silver, snuffers. basons, trumpets,
- Ony vessels of gold, or vessels of silver, of the money that was brought into the house of the LORD:
 14. But they gave that to the
 - 14. But they gave that to the workmen, and repaired therewith the house of the LORD.
- 1 | 15. Moreover they

- reckoned not with the men, into whose hand they delivered the money to be bestowed on workmen:
- for they dealt faithfully.

 16. The trespass money
- and sin money was not brought into the house of the LORD: it
- was the priests'.
- 17. Then Hazael
- king of Syria went up, and
- fought against Gath, and took it: and Hazael
- set his face to go up
- to Jerusalem.
- 18. And Jehoash king of Judah took all the
 - Judah took all the hallowed things that Jehosha-
- phat, and Jehoram, and Ahaziah, his fathers, kings of Judah, had dedicated, and his own hallowed things.
- dicated, and his own hallowed things, and all the gold that was found
- in the treasures of the house of the LORD, and in
- the king's house, and sent it
- **to Hazael** king of Syria: and he went away from Jerusalem.
 - 19. **And** the rest of
- the acts of Joash, and all that he did.
- are they not

- written in the book of
- the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 20. And his
- servants arose, and
- made a conspiracy,
- and slew Joash in the house of Millo, which goeth down to Silla.
 For Jozachar the son of
 - Shimeath, and Jehozabad the son of Shomer, his servants, smote him, and he died;
- and thev
- buried him with his fathers
- in the city of David:
- and Amaziah his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 13

- In the three and twentieth year of Joash the son of Ahaziah king of Judah
- Jehoahaz the son of Jehu

began to reign over Israel
 in Samaria, and reigned
 seventeen years.

■ 2. And he did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD, and followed the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, which made Israel to sin; he departed not therefrom.

3. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against Israel, and he delivered them into the hand of Hazael king of

Syria, and into the hand of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael, all their days.

4. And Jehoahaz besought the LORD, and the LORD hearkened unto him: for he saw the oppression of Israel, because the king of Syria oppressed them.

5. (And the LORD
gave Israel a
saviour, so that
they went out from
under the hand of

the Syrians: and the children of Israel

dwelt in their tents,
as beforetime.

6. Nevertheless they

departed not from the sins of the house of

Jeroboam, who made Israel sin. *but* walked therein: and there remained the grove also in Samaria.)

7. Neither did he leave of the people to Jehoahaz but fifty horsemen, and ten chariots, and ten thousand footmen; for the king of Syria had destroyed them, and had made them like the dust by threshing.

■ 8. Now the rest of

the acts of Jehoahaz, and all that he did, and his might,

are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of

the kings of Israel?

9. And Jehoahazslept with his fathers;

and they buried him in Samaria:

and Joash his son

reigned in his stead.

10. In the thirty and seventh year of Joash king of Judah began Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned sixteen years.

11. And he

■ did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD; he departed not from all the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel sin: but he walked therein.

12. And the rest of the acts of Joash, and all that he did, and his might wherewith he fought against Amaziah king of Judah,

■ are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel?

13. And Joash
 slept with his fathers;
 and Jeroboam sat
 upon his throne:

and Joash was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel.

14. Now Elisha was fallen
 sick of his sickness
 whereof he died.

And Joash the king of Israel came down unto him, and wept over his face, and

said, O my father, my father.

the chariot of Israel.

and the horsemen thereof.

15. And Elisha said unto him,
 Take bow and arrows. And he took unto him bow and arrows.

16. And he said to the king of Israel,

Put thine hand upon thebow. And he put his hand upon it:

and Elisha put his hands upon the king's hands.

■ 17. And he said, Open the window eastward.

And he opened it.

■ Then Elisha said, Shoot.

And he shot.

And he said,

The arrow of the LORD'S deliverance, and the

arrow of deliverance from Syria:

- for thou shalt smite the Syrians in Aphek, till thou have consumed them.
- 18. And he said, Take the arrows. And he took them.

■ And he said unto the king of Israel,

■ Smite upon

the ground. And he smotethrice, and stayed.

- 19. And the man of God
- was wroth with him.
 - and said, Thou shouldest
- have smitten five or six times; then hadst thou

smitten Syria

till thou hadst consumed it:

whereas now thou shalt smite Syria but thrice.

- 20. And Elisha
- died, and they buried him.
- And the bands of the
- Moabites invaded the
- land at the coming in of the year.
- 21. **And** it came to pass,
- as they were burying
- a man, that, behold,
 they spied a band of
- men; and they cast the man
- into the sepulchre
- of Elisha: and when the
- man was let down, and
- touched the bones of

Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet.

■ 22. But Hazael king of Syria

oppressed Israel all
the days of Jehoahaz.

■ 23. And the LORD

was gracious unto them, and

had compassion on

them, and had respect unto them, because of his covenant with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob,

and would not destroy

them, neither cast he them from his presence as yet.

■ 24. **So Hazael** king of Syria

■ died; and Ben-hadad his son

- reigned in his stead.
- 25. And Jehoash the son of Jehoahaz
 - I took again out of the hand

- | of Ben-hadad the son of Hazael
- the cities, which he had
- taken out of the hand
- of Jehoahaz his
- **father** by war.
- Three times did
- Joash beat him, and
- recovered the cities
- of Israel.

CHAPTER 14

- | 1. In the second year
- of Joash son of Jehoahaz king
- of Israel reigned Amaziah the son of Joash king
 - of Judah.
 2. He was twenty and five years
 - 2. He was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem.
- 3. And he did that which was
- right in the sight of the
 - LORD, yet not like David his father: he did according to all things as Joash his father did.
- 4. Howbeit the high places were not taken away: as yet the people did sacrifice and burnt incense on the high places.
 - 5. And it came to pass,
- as soon as the kingdom
 - was confirmed in his hand, that
- he slew his servants
- which had slain the king
- his father.
- 6. **But the**
- **children** of the murderers
- he slew not: according
- unto that which is written in the book of
 - the law of Moses, wherein the LORD commanded, saying, The fathers shall not be put to death for the children, nor the children be put to death for the fathers; but every man shall be put to death for his own sin.
- 7. He slew of
- Edom in the valley of salt
 - ten thousand, and
- took Selah by war,

and called the name of it Joktheel unto this day. 8. Then Amaziah sent messengers to Jehoash, the son of Jehoahaz son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us look one another in the face. 9 And Jehoash the king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah. saying, The thistle that was in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon. saving. Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon. and trade down the thistle. 10. Thou hast indeed smitten Edom, and thine heart hath lifted thee up: glory of this, and tarry at home: for why shouldest thou meddle to thy hurt, that thou shouldest fall, even thou. and Judah with thee? 11. But Amaziah would not H hear. Therefore Jehoash king of Israel went up; and he and Amaziah king of Judah looked one another in the face at Beth-shemesh. which belongeth to Judah. 12. And Judah was out to the worse before Israel; and they **fled** every man to their tents. 13. And Jehoash king of Israel took Amaziah king of Judah. the son of Jehoash the son of Ahaziah, at Beth-shemesh. and came to Jerusalem. and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim unto the corner gate, four hundred cubits. ■ 14. **And** he ■ took all ■ the gold and silver, and all

the vessels that were found

■ in the house of the LORD, and

in the treasures of the king's house. and hostages, and returned to Samaria. 15 Now the rest of the acts of Jehoash which he did, and his might, and how he fought with Amaziah king of Judah. are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Israel? 16 And Jehoash slept with his fathers. and was buried in Samaria with the kings of Israel: and Jeroboam his son reigned in his stead. 17. And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the death of Jehoash son of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen years. 18. And the rest of the acts of Amaziah, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah? 19. Now they made a conspiracy against him in Jerusalem: and he fled to Lachish; but they sent after him to Lachish, and . slew him there. 20. And they brought him on horses: and he was buried at Jerusalem with his fathers in the city of David. 21. **And** all the people of Judah took Azariah, which was sixteen years old, and made him king instead of his father Amaziah. 22. He built Elath, and restored it to Judah. after that the king slept with his fathers. 23. In the fifteenth year of Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah Jeroboam the son of Joash king

- of Israel began to reign in Samaria, and reigned forty and one years.
- 24. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD: he departed not from all the sins of

Jeroboam the son of Nebat. who made Israel to sin.

was of Gath-hepher.

- 25. He restored the coast of Israel from the entering of **Hamath** unto the sea of the plain. according to the word of the LORD God of Israel, which he spake by the hand of his servant Jonah, the son of Amittai, the prophet, which
- 26 For the LORD saw the affliction of Israel, that it was very bitter; for there was not any shut up, nor any left, nor any helper for Israel.
- 27. And the LORD said not that he would blot out the name of Israel

from under heaven:

- but he saved them by the hand of Jeroboam the son of Joash. 28. Now the rest of
- the acts of Jeroboam, and all that he did, and his might, how he warred, and how he recovered Damascus, and Hamath, which belonged to Judah, for Israel,

are they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel?

- 29. And Jeroboam
- **slept** with his fathers. even with the kings of Israel:
- and Zachariah his son ■ reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 15

- 1. In the twenty and seventh year of Jeroboam king of Israel began Azariah son of
- Amaziah king of
- Judah to reign.
- 2. Sixteen years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned two and fifty years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was

Jecholiah of Jerusalem.

- And he did that which was right in the sight of the
- LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah had done:
- 4. Save that the high places were not removed: the people sacrificed and burnt

incense still on the high places.

- 5. And the LORD smote the king, so that he was
- a leper unto the day of his death, and dwell
- in a several house. And Jotham the king's son
- was over the house,
- judging the people of the land.
- 6. And the rest of the acts of
- Azariah, and all that he did.
 - are they not
- written in the book of
 - the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 7. So Azariah
- slept with his fathers:
- and they buried
- him with his fathers.
- in the city of David: and Jotham his son
- reigned in his stead.
- 8. In the thirty and
- eighth year of Azariah king of Judah
- did Zachariah the son of Jeroboam
- reign over Israel in Samaria six months.
- And he did that which was
- evil in the sight of the LORD, as his fathers had done; he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.
- 10. And Shallum the son of Jabesh
- conspired against him, and smote him before the people,
- and slew him, and reigned in his stead.
- 11. And the rest of the acts
- of Zachariah, behold, they
- are written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel.

12. This was the word of the LORD which he

spake unto Jehu, saying,

Thy sons shall sit on the throne of Israel unto the

fourth *generation*. And so it came to pass.

13. **Shallum** the son of Jabesh began to reign in the

nine and thirtieth year

of Uzziah king of Judah;

■ full month in Samaria.

14. For Menahem the son of Gadi went up from Tirzah, and came to Samaria, and

smote Shallum the son of Jabesh in Samaria, and slew him,

and reigned in his stead.

15. And the rest of the

acts of Shallum, and his conspiracy which he made, behold, they

are written in the book of the chronicles of

the kings of Israel.

16. Then Menahem smote Tiphsah, and

all that were therein, and

the coasts thereof

from Tirzah: because they opened not to

him, therefore he smote it;

■ and all the

women therein that were

with child he ripped up.

year of Azariah king of Judah

began Menahem

to reign over Israel, and reigned ten

years in Samaria.

18. And he did that which was evil in the sight of the

LORD: he departed not all his days from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

■ 19. **And Pul** the king

of Assyria came against the land: and Menahem

gave Pul a thousand

talents of silver, that his hand might be with him to confirm the kingdom in his hand.

 20. And Menahem exacted the money of Israel, even of all the mighty men of wealth, of each man fifty shekels of silver,

■ to give to the king of Assyria.
■ So the king of Assyria

turned back, and stayed not there in the land.

■ 21. **And** the rest of

■ the acts of Menahem, and all that he did.

■ are they not

written in the book of

the chronicles of the kings of Israel?

■ 22. And Menahem

■ **slept** with his fathers;

and Pekahiah his sonreigned in his stead.

23. In the liftieth year of Azariah king of Judah Pekahiah the son of Menahem began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and reigned two years.

24. And he did that which wasevil in the sight of the

LORD: he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

who made israel to si 25. **But Pekah**

> the son of Remaliah, a captain of his.

conspired against him, and smote him in Samaria, in the palace of the king's house, with Argob and Arieh, and with him fifty men of the Gileadites: and he

killed him, and reigned in his room.

■ 26. **And** the rest of

the acts of Pekahiah, and all that he did, behold, they

are written in the book of

■ the chronicles of the

kings of Israel.

27. In the two and fiftieth year of Azariah king of Judah

Pekah the son of Remaliah began to reign over Israel in Samaria, and

reigned twenty years.

28. And he

did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD:

he departed not from the sins of Jeroboam the son of Nebat, who made Israel to sin.

■ 29. In the days of

■ Pekah king of Israel

■ came Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, and took Ijon,

■ and Abel-beth-

maachah, and ■ Janoah, and

Kedesh, and

■ Hazor, and

■ Gilead, and

■ | Galilee, all the land

of Naphtali, and carried them captive to Assyria.

30. And Hoshea the son of Elah

made a conspiracy against Pekah the son

of Remaliah, and smote him,

and slew him, and reigned in his stead, in the twentieth

vear of Jotham the son of Uzziah.

31. And the rest of the

acts of Pekah, and all that he did, behold, they

are written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Israel.

32. In the second

year of Pekah the

son of Remaliah king of Israel

began Jotham the son of Uzziah king

of Judah to reign.

33. Five and twenty years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jerusha.

the daughter of Zadok.

34. **And he**

■ | did that which was

right in the sight of the

■ LORD: he did according to all that his father Uzziah had done.

35. Howbeit the high places

were not removed: the people sacrificed and burned

incense still in the high places.

He built the higher gate of the house of the LORD.

36. Now the rest of the

acts of Jotham. and all that he did.

are they not

written in the book of

the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

37. In those days the

LORD began to send against Judah Rezin

the king of Syria.

and Pekah the son of Remaliah.

38. And Jotham

slept with his fathers, and was buried with his fathers in the city of David his father:

and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 16

1. In the seventeenth

vear of Pekah the son of Remaliah

Ahaz the son of

Jotham king of Judah

began to reign. 2. Twenty years old was

Ahaz when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem, and

did not that which was right in the sight of the LORD his

God, like David his father.

3. But he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, yea, and

made his son to pass

through the fire, according to the abominations of the heathen. whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel.

4. **And** he

sacrificed and burnt incense

in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.

5. Then Rezin king of

Syria and Pekah son

of Remaliah king

of Israel came up

to Jerusalem to ■ war: and thev

593 besieged Ahaz, but could not overcome him. 6. At that time Rezin king of Syria recovered Elath to Syria, and drave the Jews from Elath: and the Syrians came to Elath, and dwelt there unto this day. 7. So Ahaz sent messengers to Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria, saying, I am thy servant and thy son: come up. • and save me out of the hand of the king of Syria, and out of the hand of the king of Israel, which rise up against me. 8. And Ahaz took the silver and gold that was found in the house of the LORD, and in the treasures of the king's house, and sent it for a present to the king of Assyria. 9. And the king of Assyria hearkened unto him: for the king of Assyria went up against 6 Damascus, and took it, and carried the **people** of it captive to Kir, and slew Rezin. 10. And king Ahaz went to Damascus to meet Tiglath-pileser king of Assyria. and saw an altar that was at Damascus: and king Ahaz sent to Urijah the priest the fashion of the altar, and the pattern of it, according to all the workmanship thereof. 11. And Urijah the priest

■ built an altar according

■ | had sent from Damascus: so

Ahaz came from Damascus.

12. And when the king was

come from Damascus, the king

Urijah the priest made it against king

■ to all that king Ahaz

II KINGS 16 saw the altar; and the king approached to the altar. and offered thereon. 13 And he burnt his burnt offering and his meat offering, and poured his drink offering, and sprinkled the blood of his peace offerings. upon the altar. 14. **And** he brought also the brasen altar, which was before the LORD, from the forefront of the house. from between the altar and the house of the LORD, and put it on the north side of the altar. 15. And kina Ahaz commanded Urijah the priest. saying, Upon the great altar burn the morning burnt offering, and the evening meat offering, and the king's burnt sacrifice, and his meat offering, with the burnt offering of all the people of the land, and their meat offering, and their drink offerings; and sprinkle upon it all the blood of the burnt offering. and all the blood of the sacrifice: and the brasen altar shall be for me to inquire by. 16. Thus did Urijah the priest, according to all that king Ahaz commanded. 17. And king Ahaz cut off the borders of the bases, and removed the laver from off them; and took down the sea from off the brasen oxen that were under it. and put it upon a pavement of stones. 18. And the covert for the sabbath that they had built in the house, and the king's entry without. turned he

from the house

king of Assyria.

of the LORD for the

- 19. Now the rest of
- the acts of Ahaz which he did,
- are they not
- written in the book of
- the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
 - 20. **And Ahaz slept** with his fathers, and wasburied with his fathers in the city of David:
- and Hezekiah his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 17

- | 1. In the twelfth year
- of Ahaz king of Judah
- **began Hoshea** the son of Elah
- to reign in Samaria
 - over Israel nine years.
- 2. And he did that which was
- evil in the sight of the
- LORD, but not as the
- kings of Israel that were before him.
- Defore nim.
- 3. Against him came up
- Shalmaneser king of
- Assyria; and Hoshea became his servant.
- and gave him presents.
- 4. And the king of Assyria found conspiracy in
- | found conspiracy in ■ | Hoshea: for he had sent
- messengers to So king of
- **Egypf**, and brought no present to the king of Assyria, as he had done year by year:
- therefore the king of Assyria shut him up, and
- bound him in prison.
- 5. Then the king of
- Assyria came up
- throughout all
- the land, and went up to Samaria,
- and besieged it three years.
- 6. In the ninth year
- of Hoshea the king of
- Assyria took Samaria, and carried Israel away into
- Assyria, and placed them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan, and in the cities of the Medes.
- 7. For so it was, that the children of Israel had sinned against

- the LORD their God, which had brought them up out of the land of Egypt, from under the hand of Pharaoh king of Egypt, and had feared other gods,
- 8. And walked in the statutes of the heathen, whom the LORD cast out from before the children of Israel, and of the kings

of Israel, which they had made.

- 9. **And** the children of Israel
- did secretly *those* things
- that were not right
- against the LORD their God,
- and they
- **built** them
- high places in all their cities, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.
- 10. **And** they
- set them
- up images and
 - **groves** in every high hill, and under every green tree:
- 11. And there they burnt■ incense in all the high
- places, as did the heathen whom the LORD carried away before them:
- and wrought wicked
- things to provoke the LORD to anger:
- 12. For they served idols, whereof the LORD had said unto them. Ye shall not do this thing.
- them, Ye shall not do this thing.

 13. Yet the LORD testified
- against Israel, and againstJudah, by all the
- **prophets,** and by all the seers,
- **saying, Turn** ye
- from your
- evil ways, and keep my
- commandments and my statutes, according to all the law

which I commanded your fathers, and which I sent to you by my servants the prophets.

- 14. Notwithstanding they would not hear, but hardened their necks, like to the neck of their fathers, that did not believe in the LORD their God.
- 15. And they rejected his

statutes, and his covenant that he made with their fathers. and his testimonies which he testified against them; and they followed vanity. and became vain.

and went after the

heathen that were round about them, concerning whom

the LORD had charged them. that they should not do like them.

16. And they left all the commandments

of the LORD their God and made them

molten images, even two calves, and made a grove,

and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served

Baal.

17. And they caused

their sons and their

daughters to pass through

the fire, and used divination and

enchantments, and

sold themselves to

do evil in the sight of the

LORD, to provoke him to anger. 18. Therefore the LORD

was very angry with Israel, and removed them out of

his sight: there was none left but the tribe of

Judah only.

19. Also Judah kept not the commandments of

the LORD their God

but walked in the statutes

of Israel which they made.

20. And the LORD rejected all the seed of Israel, and

afflicted them, and delivered them into the hand of spoilers, until he had cast them out of his sight.

21. For he rent Israel from ■ I the house of David; and they made Jeroboam the son of Nebat king: and Jeroboam drave Israel from following the LORD, and made them sin a great sin. 22. For the children of Israel walked in all the sins of Jeroboam which he did: they departed not from them: 23. Until the LORD removed Israel out of his sight, as he had said by all his

servants the prophets. So was Israel carried

away out of their own land to Assyria unto this day.

24. And the king of

Assyria brought men from Babylon, and from

Cuthah, and from

Ava. and from Hamath, and from

Sepharvaim, and placed

them in the cities of

Samaria instead

of the children of

> Israel: and they possessed Samaria, and dwelt in the cities thereof

25. And so it was

at the beginning of their dwelling there, that

they feared not the

LORD: therefore the LORD

sent lions among them.

which slew some of them.

26. Wherefore they spake to the king of Assyria, saying,

The nations which

thou hast removed, and placed in the cities of

Samaria, know

not the manner of the

God of the land: therefore he half

sent lions among them,

and, behold, they

slav them, because they know not the manner of the God of the land.

27. Then the king of Assyria commanded, saying,

Carry thither

one of the priests whom ye brought from thence;

and let them go and

dwell there, and let him

teach them

the manner of the

God of the land.

28. Then one of the

priests whom they had

carried away from Samaria came and dwelt in Beth-el. and taught them how they should fear the LORD. 29. Howbeit every nation made gods of their own. and put them in the houses of the high places which the Samaritans had made, every nation in their cities wherein they dwelt. 30. And the men of Babylon made Succoth-benoth, and the men of Cuth made Nergal, and the men of Hamath made Ashima. 31. And the Avites made Nibhaz and Tartak, and the Sepharvites

- 32. So they feared the LORD, and made unto themselves of the lowest of them
- priests of the high places, which sacrificed for them in the houses of the high places.
 33. They feared the LORD,

burnt their children in fire to Adrammelech and Anammelech.

the gods of Sepharvaim.

- and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations whom they carried away from thence.
- 34. **Unto this day** they do after the former manners:
- they fear not the LORD,
 neither do they after their
 statutes, or after their
 ordinances, or after
- the law and commandment
- which the LORD commanded the children of Jacob, whom he named
- of Jacob, whom he named **Israel**;
 - 35. With whom the LORD had made a covenant, and charged them,
- saying, Ye shall not fear
 other gods, nor bow
 yourselves to them, nor serve
- 36. But the LORD, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt with great power and a stretched out arm, him

them, nor sacrifice to them:

shall ye fear, and him shall ye worship, and to him shall ye do sacrifice.

- 37. And the statutes, and the ordinances, and the law, and the commandment, which he wrote for you, ye shall observe to do for evermore; and ye shall not fear other gods.
- 38. And the covenant that I have made with you
- ye shall not forget; neither shall ye fear other gods.
- 39. But the LORD your God ■ ye shall fear; and he
- shall deliver you out of the hand of all your enemies.
- 40. Howbeit they did not hearken, but they
- did after their former manner.

 41. So these nations
- feared the Lord, and
- served their graven images, both their children, and their children's children: as did their fathers, so do they unto this day.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. Now it came to pass in the third year of Hoshea son of Elah king
- of Israel, that
- Hezekiah the son of Ahaz king of Judah began to reign.
 - 2. Twenty and five years old was he when he began to reign; and he reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Abi,

the daughter of Zachariah.

- 3. And he did that which was right in the sight of the
- LORD, according to all that David his father did.
- 4. He removed the high places, and brake the
- images, and cut down the groves,
 - and brake in pieces
- the brasen serpent that
- Moses had

- made: for unto those
 - days the children of
- Israel did burn incense to
- it: and he called it Nehushtan.
- 5. He trusted in the
- LORD God of Israel:

so that after him was none like him

among all the kings of Judah,

- nor any that were
- before him.
- 6. For he clave to the LORD.

and departed not from following him, but kept

his commandments, which the LORD commanded Moses

7 And the LORD was with him; and he prospered whithersoever he went forth:

and he rebelled

against the king of

Assyria, and

served him not.

8. He smote the Philistines. even unto Gaza, and the

borders thereof, from the tower of the watchmen to the fenced city.

9. And it came to pass **I**

in the fourth year of kina Hezekiah, which was the

seventh year of Hoshea son of Elah king of Israel, that

Shalmaneser king of ■ Assyria came up against Samaria.

and besieged it.

10. And at the end of three years they

took it: even in the sixth year of Hezekiah, that is the ninth year of Hoshea king of Israel, Samaria was taken,

11. And the king of

Assyria did carry away Israel unto Assyria. and put them in Halah and in Habor by the river of Gozan. and in the cities of the Medes:

12. Because they

obeyed not the voice of the LORD their God, but

transgressed his covenant. and all that Moses the servant of the LORD commanded, and would not hear them, nor do them.

13. Now in the

fourteenth year of king Hezekiah did

Sennacherib king of

Assyria come up against all the fenced cities of Judah, and took them. 14. And Hezekiah king of Judah sent to the king of

Assyria to Lachish.

saying, I have offended; return from me: that which thou puttest on me will I

bear. And the king of

Assyria appointed unto Hezekiah king of Judah

three hundred talents of silver and thirty talents of gold.

15. And Hezekiah aave him all

the silver that was

found in the house of the LORD, and in the

treasures of the king's house. 16. At that time did. Hezekiah cut off

the gold from the doors of the temple of the LORD.

and from the pillars which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid.

and gave it to the king of Assyria.

17. **And** the king of

Assyria sent Tartan and Rabsaris and

Rab-shakeh from Lachish to king Hezekiah

with a great host against **Jerusalem**. And they went up and came to Jerusalem. And when they were come up, they came and stood by the conduit of the upper pool, which is in the highway of the fuller's field.

18. And when they had called to the king. there came out to them

Eliakim the son of Hilkiah which *was* over the

household, and Shebna

the scribe, and Joan the son of Asaph the recorder.

19. And Rab-shakeh

said unto them.

Speak ye now to Hezekiah. Thus II KINGS 18 saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein thou trustest? 20. Thou savest, (but they are but vain words). I have counsel and strenath for the war. Now on whom dost thou trust, that thou rebellest against me? 21. Now, behold, thou trustest upon the staff of this bruised reed, even upon Egypt, on which if a man lean, it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh king of Egypt unto all that trust on him. 22. But if ye say unto me, We trust in the LORD our God: is not that he, whose high places and whose alfars Hezekiah hath taken away, and hath said to Judah and Jerusalem, Ye shall worship before this altar in Jerusalem? 23. Now therefore, I pray thee, give pledges to my lord the king of Assyria, and I will deliver thee two thousand horses, if thou be able on thy part to set riders upon them. How then will thou turn away the face of one captain of the least of my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt for chariots and for horsemen? 25. Am I now come up ■ | without the LORD against this place to destroy it? The LORD said to me. Go up against this land, and destroy it. 26. Then said Eliakim the son of Hilkiah, and Shebna, and Joah, unto Rab-shakeh,

Speak, I pray thee.

and talk

not with us

to thy servants in the Syrian

language; for we understand it.

in the Jews' language in the ears of the people that are on the wall. 27 But Rab-shakeh said unto them. Hath my master sent me to thy master, and to thee. to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the men which sit. on the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you? 28. Then Rab-shakeh stood and cried with a loud voice in the Jews' language, and spake. saying, Hear the word of the great king. the king of Assyria: 29. Thus saith the king, Let not Hezekiah deceive **YOU:** for he shall not be able to deliver you out of his hand: 30. Neither let Hezekiah make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely deliver us, and this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria. Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria. Make an agreement with me by a present. and come out **to me, and then eat** ve every man of his own vine, and every one of his fig tree, and drink ye every one the waters of his cistern: 32. Until I come and take you away to a land like your OWN land, a land of corn and wine, a land of bread and vineyards, a land of oil olive and of honey, that ye may live, and not die: and hearken not unto Hezekiah, when he persuadeth you, saying, The LORD will deliver us.

33. Hath any of

- | the gods of the
- nations delivered at all
- his land out of the
- hand of the king of
- | Assyria?

34. Where are the gods of Hamath, and of Arpad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim. Hena, and Ivah? have they delivered Samaria out of mine hand?

- 35. Who are they among all the gods of the countries.
- that have delivered theircountry out of mine hand,

that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of mine hand?

36. But the people held their peace, and

answered him not a word:

for the king's commandment was, saying. Answer him not.

- 37. **Then came Eliakim** the son of Hilkiah, which was
- over the household, and **Shebng** the scribe.
- and Joah the son of
- Asaph the recorder, to Hezekiah with their clothes rent,
- and told him the words of Rab-shakeh.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. And it came to pass,
- | when king
- Hezekiah heard it, that
- he rent his clothes, and
- covered himself with
- sackcloth, and went into
- the house of the LORD.
- 2. **And** he
- sent Eliakim, which was over the household, and Shebna the scribe,
 and the elders of the
- priests, covered with sackcloth,
- to Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz.
- 3. And they said unto him.
- Thus saith Hezekiah, ■ This day *is* a day of
- trouble, and of rebuke, and
- blasphemy; for the children

are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

4. It may be the LORD thy God

- will hear all the words of Rab-shakeh, whom the king of Assyria his master hath sent to reproach the living God:
- and will reprove the words which the LORD thy
- God hath heard: wherefore lift up *thy* prayer for the
- remnant that are left.

5. So the

- servants of king Hezekiah came to Isaiah.
- 6. And Isaiah said unto them, Thus shall ye
- say to your master,
 Thus saith the LORD.
- Be not afraid of the words which thou hast heard with
- which the servants of the king of Assyria
- have blasphemed me.

 7. Behold, I will send
- 7. Behold, I will senda blast upon him, and
- he shall hear a rumour, and shall
- return to his own land;
- fall by the sword in his own land.
- 8. So Rab-shakeh
- returned, and found the king of Assyria warring
- against Libnah: for he had heard that he was departed from Lachish.
- 9. And when he heard say of Tirhakah king of
- Ethiopia, Behold, he
- is come out to fight against thee: he
- sent messengers again unto Hezekiah, saying,
- 10. Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying,
- Let not thy God in whom thou trustest
 - deceive thee, saying,
 Jerusalem shall not be delivered
 into the hand of the king of Assyria.
 - 11. Behold, thou hast heard what

the kings of Assyria have done to all lands, by destroying them utterly: and shalt thou be delivered? ■ 12. Have the gods of the

nations delivered them

which my fathers have destroyed: as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph. and the children of Eden which were in Thelasar?

13. Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arpad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, of Hena, and Ivah?

14 And Hezekiah received the letter of

the hand of the messengers. and read it: and Hezekiah

went up into the house of the LORD.

and spread it ■ before the LORD.

15. And Hezekiah praved before the LORD, and said, O LORD God of Israel, which dwellest between the cherubims. thou art the God. even thou alone. of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.

16. LORD, bow down

thine ear, and hear: open, LORD,

thine eyes, and see:

and hear the words of

Sennacherib, which

hath sent him to

reproach the living God.

■ 17. Of a truth, LORD, the kings of

Assyria have

destroyed the

nations and their lands.

18. **And** have

cast their gods into the fire: for they were no gods, but the work of

men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

■ 19. **Now** therefore,

■ O LORD our God, I beseech thee.

■ save thou us out of his ■ hand, that all the

■ kingdoms of the

earth may know that

thou art the LORD

■ | God, even thou only.

20. Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent to Hezekiah.

saying, Thus saith

the LORD God of Israel.

That which thou

hast prayed to me

aaainst

Sennacherib king of Assyria

I have heard.

21. This is the word that

the LORD hath spoken concerning him:

The virgin the daughter

of Zion hath despised thee, and laughed thee to

scorn: the daughter of Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

22. Whom hast thou reproached and

blasphemed? and against whom hast thou exalted thy voice. and lifted up thine eves on high?

even against

the Holy One of Israel.

23. By thy messengers

thou hast reproached the LORD, and hast

said, With the

multitude of my chariots

I am come up to the height of the mountains.

to the sides of Lebanon,

and will cut down the tall cedar trees thereof.

and the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into

the lodgings of his borders,

and into

the forest of his

Carmel.

24. I have digged and drunk strange waters, and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of besieged places.

25. Hast thou not

heard long ago

how I have done it, and of ancient times that I have formed it?

now have I brought it

to pass, that thou shouldest be to

lay waste fenced

■ **cifies** *into* ruinous heaps.

■ 26. Therefore their

inhabitants were of small power, they

■ were dismayed and

confounded; they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb. as the grass on the house tops, and as corn blasted before it be grown up.

27. But I know thy abode,
and thy going out, and thy coming in,
and thy rage against me.
28. Because thy rage against me and
lhy tumult is come up into mine ears,

therefore I will put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips.

■ Land I will

■ turn thee back by

the way by which

■ thou camest.

■ 29. And this shall be

a sign unto thee,

■ Ye shall eat this year

such things as grow of themselves.

and in the second year that which springeth of the same; and in the third year sow ye, and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruits thereof.

■ 30. And the remnant

that is escaped of the house

of Judah shall yet

again take root downward, and bear fruit upward.

■ 31. For out of Jerusalem

shall go forth a

remnant, and they that

escape out of mount Zion: the zeal of

ine LORD of hosts

shall do this.

32. Therefore thus saith the LORD

concerning the king of

Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an

arrow there, nor come before it with shield, nor cast a bank against it.

33. By the way that

he came, by the same

shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

34. For I will defend this city,

to save it, for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

35. And it came to pass that night, that

■ the angel of the

■ LORD went out, and

smote in the camp of

■ the Assyrians an hundred fourscore and five thousand:

and when they arose earlyin the morning, behold.

they were all dead corpses.

■ 36. So Sennacherib

king of Assyria

departed, and went and returned, and dwelt at Nineveh.

■ 37. **And** it came to pass,

as he was worshipping in the house of Nisroch

■ in the house■ his god, that

Adrammelech and Sharezer

■ his sons smote him with

■ the sword: and they escaped into the land of Armenia.

And Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 20

In those days was

Hezekiah sick unto

Isaiah the son of Amoz

came to him,

and said unto him, Thus saith the LORD.

Set thine house in order;

for thou shalt die, and not live.

2. **Then he** turned his face to the wall, and

prayed unto the

■ LORD, saying,

3. I beseech thee,

O LORD, remember now how

I have walked before thee

in truth and with a perfect

heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight.

■ And Hezekiah wept sore.

4. And it came to pass,

■ afore Isaiah was

gone out into the middle court, that

the word of the LORD came to him, saying,

5. Turn again, and

■ tell Hezekiah the captain of my people, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father,

■ I have heard thy prayer, I have seen thy tears: behold,

■ I will heal thee: on the third

day thou shalt go up unto the house of the LORD.

6. And I will add unto thy
 days fifteen years; and

I will deliver thee and this city out of the

■ hand of the king

of Assyria; and I will defend this city for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

7. And Isaiah said,Take a lump of figs.

And they took and laid it on the boil,

and he recovered.

8. And Hezekiah

■ said unto Isaiah,

■ What shall be the

sign that the LORD will heal me, and

that I shall go up

into the house of the LORD the third day?

9. And Isaiah said, This sign shalt thou have of the LORD, that

the LORD will do the thing that he hath spoken: shall the shadow go forward

ten degrees, or go backten degrees?

■ 10. And Hezekiah

■ **Conswered**, It is a light thing for the shadow to go down ten degrees: nay, but

let the shadow returnbackward ten degrees.

11. And Isaiah the prophet cried untothe LORD: and he

brought the shadow ten
 degrees backward, by which it had gone down in the dial of Ahaz.

■ 12. At that time

Berodach-baladan, the son of Baladan.

■ king of Babylon, sent■ letters and a present

unto Hezekiah: for he had heard that Hezekiah had been sick.

13. And Hezekiah

hearkened unto them, and

shewed them all the house of

his precious things,

■ the silver, and the

gold, and the

■ spices, and the

precious ointment,

and all the house of

his armour, and

■ | **all** that was found in

his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion, that Hezekiah shewed them not.

■ 14. Then came

■ Isaiah the prophet

■ unto king

■ Hezekiah, and said unto him,
■ What said these men? and

What said these mefrom whence came

■ they unto thee?

And Hezekiah said, They are come from a far country, even

from Babylon.

■ 15. And he said, What ■ have they seen in thine house?

And Hezekiah answered,

All the things that are

in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among my treasures that I have not shewed them.

■ 16. And Isaiah

said unto Hezekiah.

Hear the word of the LORD.

■ 17. Behold, the days come, that all that is

in thine house, and that which thy fathers have laid

up in store unto this day,

shall be carried into
Babylon: nothing shall

be left, saith the LORD.

18. **And** of

thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shall beget,

shall they take away; and

they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of

■ Babylon.

19. Then said

■ Hezekiah unto Isaiah,

Good is the word of the

LORD which thou hast

spoken. And he said,

Is it not good, if peace and truth be in my days?

20. And the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and all his might, and how he made a pool, and a conduit, and brought water into the city. are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

- 21 And Hezekiah
- **slept** with his fathers:
- and Manasseh his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 21

- 1. Manasseh was twelve years old when he began to reign, and
- reigned fifty and
- five vears in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hephzibah.
- 2. And he did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD. after the abominations of the

heathen, whom the LOBD cast out before the children of Israel.

- 3. For he built up
- again the high places
- which Hezekigh his father
- had destroyed; and he
- reared up altars for
- **Baal**, and made a grove. as did Ahab king of Israel: and worshipped all the host of heaven, and served them.
- And he built altars in the house of the LORD,

of which the LORD said. In Jerusalem will I put my name. 5. And he built altars

for all

the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD

- 6. And he
- made his son pass
- through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments.
- and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards:

he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger.

- 7. And he set a
- araven image of the grove that he had made
- in the house, of which the LORD said to David, and to Solomon his son. In this house, and
- in Jerusalem which I have chosen out of all tribes of Israel. will I put my name for ever:
 - 8. Neither will I make the feet of Israel move any more out of the land which I gave their fathers; only if they will observe to do according to all that I have commanded them, and according to all the law that my servant Moses commanded them.
 - 9. But they hearkened not:
- and Manasseh seduced them to do
- more evil than did
 - the nations whom the LORD destroyed before
 - the children of Israel.
- 10. And the LORD
- spake by his servants the prophets, saying,
- 11. Because
- Manasseh king of Judah
- hath done these
- abominations, and hath done wickedly
- above all that the Amorites
- did, which were before him, and hath
- made Judah also
- to sin with his idols:
- 12. Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Behold,
- I am bringing such evil
- upon Jerusalem and Judah, that whosoever
- heareth of it, both
 - his ears shall tingle.
 - 13. And I will stretch over Jerusalem the line of Samaria. and the plummet of the house of Ahab: and I will
- wipe Jerusalem as a man wipeth a dish, wiping it, and
- turning it upside down. 14. And I will
- - forsake the remnant of mine inheritance, and

deliver them into the hand of their enemies:

and they shall become a prey and a spoil to all their enemies:

- 15. Because they
- have done that which was
- evil in my sight, and have provoked me to anger,

since the day their fathers came forth out of Egypt, even unto this day.

- 16. Moreover Manasseh shed innocent blood very much.
 - till he had filled Jerusalem from one end to another; beside his sin wherewith he made Judah to sin, in doing that which was evil in the sight of the LORD.
 - 17. Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and all that he did, and his sin that he sinned, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
- 18. And Manasseh slept with his fathers.
- and was buried in the garden of his own house, in the garden of Uzza:
- and Amon his son reigned in his stead.
- 19. Amon was twenty and two years old when he began to reign, and he
- reigned two years in Jerusalem. And his mother's
- name was Meshullemeth, the daughter of Haruz of Jotbah. 20. And he did that which was
- evil in the sight of the LORD. as his father Manasseh did.
- **■** 21. **And** he
- walked in all
- the way that his father
 - walked in, and served the idols that his father served, and worshipped them:
- 22. And he forsook the
- LORD God of his fathers, and walked not in the way of the LORD.
- 23. And the servants of Amon conspired against him, and slew

- the king in his own house.
- 24. And the people of the land slew all
- them that had
- conspired against king
- Amon; and the people of the land made Josiah his son king in his stead. 25. Now the rest of the acts of
- Amon which he did, are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?
 - 26. And he
- was buried in his sepulchre in the garden of Uzza:
- and Josiah his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. Josiah was eight vegrs old when he began to
 - reign, and he reigned thirty and one years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Jedidah, the daughter of Adaiah of Boscath.
- And he did that which was right in the sight of the
 - LORD, and walked in all the way of David his father, and turned not aside to the right hand or to the left.
- 3. And it came to pass
- in the eighteenth
- year of king Josiah, that
- the king sent
 - Shaphan the son of Azaliah, the son of Meshullam, the scribe.
- to the house of the LORD, saying,
- 4. Go up to Hilkiah the high
- priest, that he may sum the silver which is brought into the house of the LORD.
 - which the keepers of the door have gathered of the people:
- And let them deliver it into the hand of the doers
- of the work, that have the
- oversight of the house of the LORD:
- and let them give it to the doers of the work which is in the house of the LORD, to
- repair the breaches
 - of the house.
 - 6. Unto carpenters, and builders,

and masons, and to buy timber and hewn stone to repair the house. 7. Howbeit there was no reckoning made with them of the money that was delivered into their hand. because they dealt faithfully. 8 And Hilkiah the high priest said unto Shaphan the scribe. I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD, And Hilkigh gave the book to Shaphan, and he read it. 9. And Shaphan the scribe came to the king, and brought the king word again, and said. Thy servants have gathered the money that was found in the house. and have delivered it into the hand of them that do the work, that have the oversight of the house of the LORD. 10. And Shaphan the scribe shewed the king, saying, Hilkiah the priest hath delivered me a book. And Shaphan read it before the king. 11. And it came to pass, when the king had heard the words of the book of the law, that he rent his clothes. 12. **And** the king commanded Hilkigh the priest, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Achbor the son of Michaiah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asahiah a servant of the king's, saying,

13. **Go** ve.

concerning the words of

this book that is found:

for great is the wrath

of the LORD that is

■ inquire of the LORD for me, and for the people, and for all Judah.

kindled against us. because our fathers have not hearkened unto the words of this book, to do according unto all that which is written concerning us. So Hilkiah the priest. and Ahikam, and Achbor, and Shaphan, and Asahiah, went unto Huldah the prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvah, the son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe: (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the college:) and they communed with her. 15 And she said unto them. Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. Tell the man that sent you to me. 16. Thus saith the LORD. I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof, even all the words of the book which the king of Judah hath read: 17. **Because they have** forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands: therefore my wrath shall be kindled against this place, and shall not be quenched. 18 But to the king of Judah which sent you to inquire of the LORD, thus shall ye say to him, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel. As touching the words which thou hast heard: 19. Because thine heart was tender, and thou hast humbled thyself before the LORD, when thou heardest what I spake against this place, and against the inhabitants thereof, that they should become a desolation and a curse. and hast rent thy clothes. and wept before me:

have heard thee.

saith the LORD 20. Behold

therefore, I will gather

- I thee unto thy fathers, and thou shalt be gathered into thy grave
- in peace; and thine eyes
- | shall not see all
- the evil which I will bring upon this place.
- And they brought
- the king word again.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. And the king sent, and they
- gathered unto him
- all the elders of
- Judah and of Jerusalem.
- 2. **And** the king
- went up
- into the house of
- the LORD, and all

the men of Judah and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem with him. and the priests, and the prophets, and all the people, both small and great:

- and he read in their ears all
- the words of the book of the covenant which was
- found in the house of the LORD.
- And the kina
- stood by a pillar, and made a covenant before
- the LORD, to walk after the LORD, and
- to keep his
- commandments and his testimonies and his statutes with all their heart and all their soul. to perform the words of this covenant
- that were written in this book. And all the people
- stood to the covenant.
- 4. And the king ■ commanded
- Hilkiah the high priest.
- and the priests of the second order, and the keepers of the door,
- to bring forth
- out of the temple of the LORD
- all the vessels that were
- made for Baal, and for the

- grove, and for all the host of heaven: and he **burned them** without Jerusalem
 - in the fields of Kidron, and carried the ashes of them unto Beth-el-
- 5. And he put down the

idolatrous priests, whom the kings of Judah had ordained to burn incense in the high places in the cities of Judah, and in the places round about Jerusalem: them also that burned incense unto Baal, to the sun, and to the moon, and to the planets. and to all the host of heaven.

And he brought out the grove from the house of the LORD, without Jerusalem,

- unto the brook
- Kidron, and burned
- if at the brook Kidron.
- and stamped if small
- to powder, and cast the powder thereof upon the graves of the children of the people.
- 7. And he brake down the houses of the sodomites. that were by the house of the LORD. where the
- women wove hangings for the grove.
- 8. And he brought all
- the priests out of the cities
- of Judah, and defiled the high places
- where the priests had burned incense.
 - from Geba to Beer-sheba.
- and brake down the high
- places of the gates that were in the entering in of the gate of Joshua the governor of the city, which were on a man's left hand at the gate of the city.
- 9. Nevertheless the priests of the high
- places came not up to the altar of the LORD
- in Jerusalem, but they did eat

of the unleavened bread among their brethren.

- 10. And he defiled
- Topheth, which is in the valley of the children of Hinnom,
- that no man might make

his son or his dauahter to pass through the fire to Molech. 11. And he took away the horses that the kings of Judah had given to the sun, at the entering in of the house of the LORD, by the chamber of Nathan-melech the chamberlain. which was in the suburbs. and burned the chariots of the sun with fire. 12 And the altars that were on the top of the upper chamber of Ahaz. which the kings of Judah had made, and the altars which Manasseh had made in the two courts of the house of the LORD, did the king beat down, and brake them down from thence and cast the dust of them into the brook Kidron. 13. And the high places that were before Jerusalem. which were on the right hand of the mount of corruption. which Solomon the king of Israel had builded for Ashtoreth the abomination of the Zidonians, and for Chemosh the abomination of the Moabites. and for Milcom the abomination of the children of Ammon, did the king defile. 14. And he brake in pieces the images, and cut down the groves, and filled their places with the bones of men. 15. Moreover the

altar that was

the son of Nebat, who

at Beth-el, and the high

place which Jeroboam

made Israel to sin, had made, both

that altar and the high place he brake down. and burned the high place. and stamped it small to powder, and burned the grove. 16. **And** as Josiah turned himself, he spied the sepulchres that *were* there in the mount, and sent, and took the bones out of the sepulchres. and burned them upon the altar, and polluted it, according to the word of the LORD which the man of God proclaimed. who proclaimed these words. 17. Then he said. What title is that that I see? And the men of the city told him, It is the sepulchre of the man of God, which came from Judah, and proclaimed these things that thou hast done against the altar of Beth-el. 18. And he said, Let him alone: let no man move his bones. So they let his bones alone, with the bones of the prophet that came out of Samaria. 19. And all the houses also of the high places that were in the cities of Samaria, which the kings of Israel had made to provoke the Lord to anger. Josiah took away, and • did to them according to all the acts that he had done in Beth-el. 20. And he slew all the priests of the high places that were there upon the altars. and burned men's bones upon them. and returned to Jerusalem. 21. And the kina commanded all the people, saying, Keep the passover unto the LORD your God. as it is written in the book of this covenant.

22. Surely there

was not holden such a passover from the days of the judges that judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel, nor of the kings of Judah;

23 But in the

eighteenth year of king

Josiah, wherein

this passover was

holden to the LOBD in Jerusalem

24. Moreover the workers with familiar spirits, and the

wizards, and

the images, and the

idols. and all the

abominations that were

spied in the land of

Judah and in Jerusalem. did Josiah put away,

that he might perform the

words of the law which were written in the book that Hilkiah the priest found in the house of the LORD.

25. And like unto him was there

no king before him, that turned to the LORD with all

his heart. and with all his soul, and with all his might, according to all the law of Moses:

neither after him arose there any like him.

26. Notwithstandina the LORD turned not

from the fierceness of

his great wrath,

wherewith his anger was kindled against Judah, because of all the provocations that Manasseh

had provoked him withal. ■ 27. And the LORD said. I

■ will remove Judah also ■ out of my sight, as I ■ have removed Israel.

and will cast off this city **Jerusalem** which I have chosen, and the house of which I said, My name shall be there. 28. Now the rest of the acts of

Josiah, and all that he did. are they not written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Judah?

29. In his days ■ J

Pharaoh-nechoh kina of Egypt went up

against the king of

Assyria to the river Euphrates:

and king Josiah went against him; and he slew him at Meaiddo.

when he had seen him.

30 And his servants carried him in a chariot dead from Megiddo, and brought him

to Jerusalem, and buried him in his own sepulchre.

And the people of the land

took Jehoahaz the son of Josiah.

and anointed him. and made him

king in his father's stead.

31. **Jehoahaz** was twenty and three years old when he began to reign; and he reigned three months in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hamutal. the daughter

of Jeremiah of Librah.

32 And he

did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that

his fathers had done

33. And Pharaoh-nechoh put him in bands at

Riblah in the land of Hamath,

that he might not

reign in Jerusalem:

and put the land to a tribute of an hundred talents of silver, and a talent of gold.

34. And Pharaoh-nechoh 8 made Eliakim the son of Josiah

king in the room of Josiah his father, and turned his name to

Jehoiakim, and took

Jehoahaz away: and he came to Egypt,

and died there.

35. And Jehoiakim gave the

silver and the

gold to Pharaoh: but he taxed the land to give the

money according to the

commandment of Pharaoh: he exacted the silver and the gold of the people of the land, of every one according to his taxation, to give it unto Pharaoh–nechoh.

36. Jehoiakim was twenty and five years old when he began to reign: and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Zebudah, the daughter of Pedaiah of Rumah.

37. And he

■ did that which was

evil in the sight of the

■ LORD, according to all that his fathers had done.

CHAPTER 24

■ | 1. In his days

Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up.

■ and Jehoiakim became

■ his servant three

years: then he turned and

rebelled against him.
And the LORD sent

against him bands of the Chaldees.

■ and bands of the

Syrians, and bands of

■ the Moabites, and bands of

■ the children of Ammon,

and sent them against

■ Judah to destroy it, according to the word of the LORD, which he spake by his servants the prophets.

3. Surely at the commandment of the LORD came *this* upon Judah,

to remove *them* out of his sight, for the sins of

Manasseh, according to all that he did;

4. And also for the innocent blood that he shed:

for he filled Jerusalem with
 innocent blood; which the
 LORD would not pardon.

5. Now the rest of the acts of Jehoiakim, and all that he did, *are* they not written in the book of the chronicles of the kings of Judah?

■ 6 So Jehoiakim

■ slept with his fathers:

and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

And the king of Egypt came not again

any more out of his land:

for the king of Babylon had taken from the river

of Egypt unto the river Euphrates all that

perfained to the king of Egypt.

■ 8. Jehoiachin *was*

eighteen years oldwhen he began to

reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem three months. And his mother's name was Nehushta, the daughter

of Elnathan of Jerusalem.

9. And he did that which wasevil in the sight of the

LORD, according to all that his father had done.

10. At that time the servants
 of Nebuchadnezzar king
 of Babylon came up

against Jerusalem, and the city was besieged.

11. And Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came against the city, and his servants did besiege it.

■ 12. And Jehoiachin the king of Judah

went out to the king of Babylon, he, and his mother, and his servants, and his princes, and his officers:

and the king of Babylon took him in the eighth year of his reign.

■ 13. **And** he

carried out thence

■ all the treasures of the house of the LORD,

and the treasures of

the king's house, and cut in pieces all the vessels of gold

■ which Solomon

king of Israel had

■ made in the temple of the LORD, as the LORD had said.

14. And he carried away
all Jerusalem, and all

the princes, and all the

mighty men of valour.

even ten thousand captives,
and all the craftsmen and smiths:

none remained, save the

poorest sort of the peopleof the land.

15. And he carried away Jehoiachin to Babylon, and the king's mother, and the king's wives, and his officers, and the mighty of the land, *those* carried he into captivity from Jerusalem to Babylon.

16. And all the men of might, even seven thousand,

and craftsmen and smiths

a thousand, all that

Were strong and apt for war, even them the king of Babylon

brought captive to Babylon.

■ 17. And the king of Babylon made

■ Mattaniah his father's

brother king in his stead,
 and changed his
 name to Zedekiah.

18. Zedekiah was twenty and one years old when he began to reign, and he reigned eleven years in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Hamutal, the daughter of Jeremiah of Libnah.

■ 19. And he did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD, according to all that

 20. For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, until he had

cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of

■ Băbylon.

CHAPTER 25

■ 1. And it came to pass

in the ninth year of his reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that

■ Nebuchadnezzar

king of Babylon

came, he, and all his host,

against Jerusalem,

and pitched against it:

and they

■ built forts against

■ it round about.

2. And the city was
besieged unto the
eleventh year of king
Zedekiah.

Zedekian.

3. And on the ninth day of the fourth month the famine prevailed in the city.

and there was no bread

for the people of the land.

4. And the city was broken up, and all the men of war fled by night by the way of the gate between two walls, which is by the king's garden: (now the Chaldees were against the city round about:)
 and the king went the way

and the king went the way toward the plain.

■ 5. **And** the army of

the Chaldees pursued after the king, and overtook

him in the plains of

■ Jericho: and all
■ his army were

his army werescattered from him.

■ 6. So they took the

king, and brought him up to the king of

■ Babylon to Riblah;

■ and they

gave judgment upon him.

7. And they slew the sons of
Zedekiah before his eyes,
and put out the eyes of
Zedekiah, and bound

■ him with fetters of brass,

and carried him

■ to Babylon.

8. And in the fifth month, on the seventh day of the month, which is

the nineteenth year of king

■ Nebuchadnezzar

king of Babylon,

came Nebuzar-adan, captain of the guard, a servant of the king of Babylon.

■ unto Jerusalem:

■ 9. And he

burnt the house of the LORD, and the king's

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house, and all the houses of Jerusalem, and every great man's house burnt he with fire. 10 And all the army

of the Chaldees, that were with the captain of the quard.

brake down the walls of Jerusalem round about.

11. Now the rest of

the people that were left in the city, and the fugitives that fell away to the king of Babylon, with the remnant of the multitude.

did Nebuzar-adan the captain of the quard

carry away.

12. But the captain of the guard left of

the poor of the land

to be vinedressers and husbandmen.

13. And the pillars of

brass that were

in the house of the LORD. and the bases, and the brasen sea-

that was in the house of the LORD. did the Chaldees break in pieces, and

carried the brass of them to Babylon.

14. And the pots, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away. 15. And the firepans,

and the bowls, and

such things as were of gold, in gold.

and of

silver, in silver.

the captain of the guard took away.

16. The two pillars, one sea. and the bases which Solomon had made for the house of the LORD: the brass of all these vessels was without weight.

17. The height of the one pillar was eighteen cubits, and the chapiter upon it was brass; and the height of the chapiter three cubits; and the wreathen work, and pomegranates upon the chapiter round about, all of brass; and like unto these had the second pillar with wreathen work. 18. And the

captain of the guard

took Seraiah the chief priest, and Zephaniah the second priest.

and the three keepers of the door:

19. And out of the city he took an officer that was set over the men of war, and five men of them that were in the

king's presence, which were found in the city.

and the principal

scribe of the host

which mustered the people of the land.

and threescore men of the people of the land that were

found in the city: 20. And Nebuzar-adan captain of the quard took these, and

brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah:

21. And the king of Babylon smote them, and slew them at Riblah in the land of Hamath.

So Judah was carried away out of their land. 22. And as for the people that remained in the land of

Judah, whom Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon had left, even over them he made

Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, the son of Shaphan, ruler.

23. And when all the captains of the armies, they and their men. heard that

the king of Babylon had made Gedaliah aovernor.

there came to

Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and

Johanan the son of Careah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth the Netophathite, and

Jagzaniah the son of a

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Maachathite, they and their men. 24. And Gedaliah sware to them, and to their men, and said unto them, Fear not to be the servants of the Chaldees: dwell in the land, and serve the king of Babylon; and it shall be well with you. 25. But it came to pass in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah,
the son of Elishama,
of the seed royal,
came, and ten men with him,
and smote
Gedaliah, that he died,
and the Jews and the
Chaldees that were
with him at Mizpah.
26. And all
the people, both small
and great, and the captains
of the armies, arose, and
came to Egypt: for
they were afraid of
the Chaldees.
27. And it came to pass

in the seven and thirtiethyear of the captivity of Jehoiachin king of Judah, in thetwelfth month, on the seven and twentieth day of the month, that Evil-merodach king of Babylon in the year that he began to reign did lift up the head of Jehoiachin king of Judah out of prison; 28. And he spake kindly to him, and set his throne above the throne of the kings that were with him in Babylon; 29. And changed his prison garments: and he did eat bread continually before him all the days of his life. 30. And his allowance **WGS** a continual allowance given him of the king, a daily rate for every day, all the days of his life.

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CHAPTER 1

Adam, Sheth, Enosh.

- Kenan, Mahalaleel, Jered.
- 3. Henoch, Methuselah, Lamech,
- 4. Noah, Shem, Ham,
- and Japheth.
- 5. The sons of Japheth:
- Gomer, and Magoa. and Madai, and Javan, and

Tubal, and Meshech, and Tiras.

6. And the sons of Gomer: Ashchenaz.

and Riphath, and Togarmah.

- 7. And the sons of Javan: Elishah. and Tarshish, Kittim, and Dodanim.
- 8. The sons of Ham: Cush. and Mizraim, Put, and Canaan,
 - 9. And the sons of Cush; Seba. and Havilah, and Sabta, and Raamah. and Sabtecha. And the sons of Raamah: Sheba, and Dedan,
- 10. And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be mighty upon the earth.
 - 11. And Mizraim begat Ludim. and Anamim, and Lehabim. and Naphtuhim.
- 12. **And** Pathrusim, and
- Casluhim, (of whom came the Philistines.) and Caphthorim.
- 13. And Canaan begat Zidon his firstborn, and Heth,
- 14. The Jebusite also, and
- the Amorite, and the Girgashite,
 - 15. And the Hivite, and the Arkite, and the Sinite. 16. And the Arvadite, and the
 - Zemarite, and the Hamathite. 17. The sons of Shem:
 - Elam, and Asshur, and
- Arphaxad, and Lud, and Aram, and
- Uz. and Hul. and Gether. and Meshech.
- 18. And Arphaxad ■ begat Shelah, and
- Shelah begat Eber.
- 19. And unto Eber were born two sons: the name of the one was
- Pelea: because in his days the earth was divided: and

his brother's name was Joktan.

- And Joktan begat Almodad. and Sheleph, and Hazarmaveth. and Jerah.
- Hadoram also, and Uzal. and Diklah.
- 22. And Ebal, and Abimael. and Sheba
- 23. And Ophir, and Havilah, and Jobab. All these were the sons of Joktan.
- Shem. Arphaxad. Shelah.
- 25. Eber, Peleg, Reu,
- 26. Serua, Nahor, Terah.
- 27. Abram; the same
- is Abraham. .
- 28. The sons of Abraham:
- Isaac, and Ishmael. 29. These are their
- **generations:** The firstborn of Ishmael Nebajoth: then Kedar, and Adbeel, and Mibsam,
 - 30. Mishma, and Dumah. Massa, Hadad, and Tema.
 - Jetur, Naphish, and Kedemah. These are the sons of Ishmael.
 - 32. Now the sons of Keturah. Abraham's concubine: she bare Zimran, and Jokshan, and Medan, and Midian, and Ishbak, and Shuah. And the sons of Jokshan:
 - Sheba, and Dedan, 33. And the sons of Midian; Ephah, and Epher, and Henoch, and Abida, and Eldaah, All these are the sons of Keturah.
- 34. And Abraham begat Isaac. The sons of Isaac: Esau and Israel.
 - 35. The sons of Esau; Eliphaz, Reuel, and Jeush, and Jaalam, and Korah.
 - 36. The sons of Eliphaz; Teman. and Omar, Zephi, and Gatam, Kenaz, and Timna, and Amalek.
 - 37 The sons of Reuel: Nahath.
 - Zerah, Shammah, and Mizzah.
 - 38. And the sons of Seir; Lotan, and Shobal, and Zibeon, and Anah, and Dishon, and Ezar, and Dishan.
 - 39. And the sons of Lotan; Hori, and Homam: and Timna was

Lotan's sister

- 40. The sons of Shohal: Alian and Manahath, and Ebal, Shephi, and Onam, and the sons of Zibeon: Aiah, and Anah,
- 41 The sons of Anah: Dishon, And the sons of Dishon: Amram, and Eshban, and Ithran, and Cheran.
- 42 The sons of Ezer: Bilhan. and Zavan, and Jakan. The sons of Dishan: Uz. and Aran.
- 43. Now these are the kings that reigned in the land of Edom before any king reigned over the children of Israel; Bela the son of Beor; and the name of his city was Dinhabah
- 44. And when Bela was dead, Jobab the son of Zerah of Bozrah reigned in his stead.
- 45. And when Johah was dead. Husham of the land of the Temanites reigned in his stead.
- 46. And when Husham was dead. Hadad the son of Bedad, which smote Midian in the field of Moab. reigned in his stead; and the name of his city was Avith.
- 47. And when Hadad was dead. Samlah of Masrekah reigned in his stead.
- 48. And when Samlah was dead Shaul of Rehoboth by the river reigned in his stead.
- 49. And when Shaul was dead. Baal-hanan the son of Achbor reigned in his stead.
- 50. And when Baal-hanan was dead. Hadad reigned in his stead; and the name of his city was Pai; and his wife's name was Mehetabel, the daughter of Matred, the daughter of Mezahab.
- 51. Hadad died also, And the dukes of Edom were: duke Timnah. duke Aliah, duke Jetheth
- 52. Duke Aholibamah duke Elah, duke Pinon,
- 53. Duke Kenaz, duke Teman. duke Mibzar.
- 54. Duke Magdiel. duke Iram. These are the dukes of Edom

CHAPTER 2

- 1 These are the sons of Israel: Reuben.
- Simeon. Levi. and Judah. Issachar, and Zebulun,
- 2. Dan. Joseph. and
- Benjamin, Naphtali, Gad, and Asher.
 - The sons of Judah: Er. and Onan and Shelah: which three were born unto him of the daughter of Shua the Canaanitess, And Er, the firstborn of Judah, was evil in the
 - sight of the LORD; and he slew him. 4. And Tamar his daughter in law hore him Pharez and Zerah
- All the sons of Judah were five
 - The sons of
- Pharez: Hezron, and Hamul.
 - And the sons of
- Zerah: Zimri, and Ethan, and Heman, and Calcol, and Dara: five of them in all
 - 7. And the sons of
- Carmi: Achar, the troubler of Israel, who transgressed in the thing accursed.
 - 8. And the sons of
- Ethan: Azariah.
- 8 9. The sons also
 - of Hezron, that
- Were born unto him: Jerahmeel, and

- Ram, and Chelubai.
 - 10. And Ram beaat
- Amminadab: and
- Amminadab beaat
- Nahshon, prince of the children of Judah;
- 11. And Nahshon begat Salma, and Salma
- beaat Boaz.
- 12. And Boaz begat Obed, and Obed begat Jesse.
 - 13. And Jesse beaat

his firstborn Eliab, and Abinadab the second, and Shimma the third.

- 14. Nethaneel the fourth, Raddai the fifth.
- 15. Ozem the sixth,
- David the seventh:
- Whose sisters were Zeruiah.

and Abigail. And the sons of Zeruiah; Abishai, and Joab, and Asahel, three.

- 17. And Abigail bare Amasa: and the father of Amasa was Jether the Ishmeelite.
- 18. And Caleb the son of Hezron begat *children* of Azubah *his* wife, and of Jerioth: her sons *are* these; Jesher, and Shobab, and Ardon.
- 19. And when Azubah was dead, Caleb took unto him Ephrath, which bare him Hur.
- And Hur begat Uri, and Uri begat Bezaleel.
- 21. And afterward Hezron went in to the daughter of Machir the father of Gilead, whom he married when he was threescore years old; and she bare him Segub.
- 22. And Segub begat Jair, who had three and twenty cities in the land of Gilead.
- 23. And he took Geshur, and Aram, with the towns of Jair, from them, with Kenath, and the towns thereof, *even* threescore cities. All

threescore cities. All these belonged to the sons of Machir the father of Gilead.

- 24. And after that Hezron was dead in Caleb–ephratah, then Abiah Hezron's wife bare him Ashur the father of Tekoa
- 25. And the sons of Jerahmeel the firstborn of Hezron were, Ram the firstborn, and Bunah, and Oren, and Ozem, and Ahijah.
- 26. Jerahmeel had also another wife, whose name was Atarah; she was the mother of Onam.
- 27. And the sons of Ram the firstborn of Jerahmeel were.
- Maaz, and Jamin, and Eker. 28. And the sons of Onam were, Shammai, and Jada. And the sons
- of Shammai; Nadab and Abishur. 29. And the name of the wife of Abishur was Abihail, and she bare him Ahban, and Molid.
- 30. And the sons of Nadab; Seled, and Appaim: but Seled died without children.
- 31. And the sons of Appaim; Ishi.

And the sons of Ishi; Sheshan.
And the children of Sheshan; Ahlai.
32. And the sons of Jada the brother of Shammai; Jether, and Jonathan: and Jether died without children.

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- 33. And the sons of Jonathan; Peleth, and Zaza. These were the sons of Jerahmeel.
- 34. Now Sheshan had no sons, but daughters. And Sheshan had a servant, an Egyptian, whose name was Jarha.
- 35. And Sheshan gave his daughter to Jarha his servant to wife; and she bare him Attai.
- 36. And Attai begat Nathan, and Nathan begat Zabad.
- 37. And Zabad begat Ephlal, and Ephlal begat Obed,
- 38. And Obed begat Jehu, and Jehu begat Azariah,
- 39. And Azariah begat Helez, and Helez begat Eleasah,
- 40. And Eleasah begat Sisamai, and Sisamai begat Shallum.
- 41. And Shallum begat Jekamiah, and Jekamiah begat Elishama.
- 42. Now the sons of Caleb the brother of Jerahmeel *were*, Mesha his firstborn, which was the father of Ziph; and the sons of Mareshah the father of Hebron.
- 43. And the sons of Hebron; Korah, and Tappuah, and Rekem, and Shema.
- 44. And Shema begat Raham, the father of Jorkoam: and Rekem begat Shammai.
- 45. And the son of Shammai was Maon: and Maon was the father of Beth-zur.
- 46. And Ephah, Caleb's concubine, bare Haran, and Moza, and Gazez: and Haran begat Gazez.
- 47. And the sons of Jahdai; Regem, and Jotham, and Gesham, and Pelet, and Ephah, and Shaaph.
- 48. Maachah, Caleb's concubine, bare Sheber, and Tirhanah.
- 49. She bare also Shaaph the father of Madmannah, Sheva the father of Machbenah, and the father of Gibea: and the daughter of Caleb *was* Achsa.

These were the sons of Caleb the son of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah; Shobal the father of Kirjath–jearim.
 Salma the father of Beth–lehem, Hareph the father of Beth–gader.
 And Shobal the father of Kirjath–jearim had sons; Haroeh, and half of the Manahethites.

53. And the families of Kirjath—jearim; the Ithrites, and the Puhites, and the Shumathites, and the Mishraites; of them came the Zareathites, and the Eshtaulites

54. The sons of Salma; Bethlehem, and the Netophathites, Ataroth, the house of Joab, and half of the Manahethites, the Zorites.

55. And the families of the scribes which dwelt at Jabez; the Tirathites, the Shimeathites, and Suchathites. These are the Kenites that came of Hemath, the father of the house of Rechah

CHAPTER 3

- | 1. Now these were the
 - I sons of David, which were
- **born** unto him
- in Hebron: the firstborn
- Amnon, of Ahinoam the
- Jezreelitess; the second

 Daniel, of Abigail the Carmelitess:
- 2. The third,

 Absolom the son of
- Maachah the daughter of Talmai king of Geshur: the fourth,
- Adonijah the son of Haggith:3. The fifth,
- Shephatiah of Abital: the sixth,Ithream by Eglah his wife.
 - 4. These six were born unto him in Hebron; and there he reigned seven years and six months: and in Jerusalem he reigned thirty and three years.
- 5. And these were
- born unto him
- in Jerusalem; Shimea,
- and Shobab, and Nathan,
 - and Solomon, four, of Bath-shua the daughter of Ammiel: 6. Ibhar also, and Elishama, and Eliphelet,

- 7. And Nogah, and Nepheg, and Japhia.
- 8. And Elishama, and Eliada, and Eliphelet, nine.
- 9. These were all the sons of David, beside the sons of the concubines, and Tamar their sister.
- 10. And Solomon's son was Rehoboam, Abia his son,

Asa his son, Jehoshaphat his son,

- 11. Joram his son, Ahaziah his son, Joash his son.
- 12. Amaziah his son, Azariah his son, Jotham his son.
- 13. Ahaz his son, Hezekiah his son. Manasseh his son.
- 14. Amon his son, Josiah his son.
- 15. And the sons of Josiah were, the firstborn Johanan, the second Jehoiakim, the third Zedekiah, the fourth Shallum.
- 16. And the sons of Jehoiakim: Jeconiah his son, Zedekiah his son,
- 17. And the sons of Jeconiah; Assir, Salathiel his son.
- 18. Malchiram also, and Pedaiah, and Shenazar, Jecamiah, Hoshama, and Nedabiah.
- 19. And the sons of Pedaiah were, Zerubbabel, and Shimei: and the sons of Zerubbabel; Meshullam, and Hananiah, and Shelomith their sister: 20. And Hashubah, and Ohel, and Berechiah, and Hasadiah, Jushab—hesed, five.
- 21. And the sons of Hananiah; Pelatiah, and Jesaiah; the sons of Rephaiah, the sons of Arnan, the sons of Obadiah, the sons of Shechaniah
- 22. And the sons of Shechaniah; Shemaiah: and the sons of Shemaiah; Hattush, and Igeal, and Bariah, and Neariah, and Shaphat, six. 23. And the sons of Neariah; Elioenai, and Hezekiah, and Azrikam, three.
- 24. And the sons of Elioenai were, Hodaiah, and Eliashib, and Pelaiah, and Akkub, and Johanan, and

Dalaiah, and Anani, seven.

CHAPTER 4

|■| 1. The sons of Judah;

Pharez, Hezron, and Carmi, and Hur, and Shobal.

- 2. And Reaiah the son of Shobal begat Jahath; and Jahath begat Ahumai, and Lahad. These *are* the families of the Zorathites.
- 3. And these were of the father of Etam; Jezreel, and Ishma, and Idbash: and the name of their sister was Hazelelooni:
- 4. And Penuel the father of Gedor, and Ezer the father of Hushah. These are the sons of Hur, the firstborn of Ephratah, the father of Beth-lehem.
 5. And Ashur the father of Tekoa had two wives, Helah and Naarah.
- And Naarah bare him Ahuzam, and Hepher, and Temeni, and Haahashtari. These were the sons of Naarah.
- 7. And the sons of Helah were, Zereth, and Jezoar, and Ethnan.
- 8. And Coz begat Anub, and Zobebah, and the families of Aharhel the son of Harum.
- And Jabez was more honourable than his brethren: and his mother called his name Jabez, saying, Because I bare him with sorrow.
- 10. And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep me from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested.
- 11. And Chelub the brother of Shuah begat Mehir, which was the father of Eshton.
- 12. And Eshton begat Beth-rapha, and Paseah, and Tehinnah the father of Ir-nahash. These *are* the men of Rechah.
- 13. And the sons of Kenaz; Othniel, and Seraiah: and the sons of Othniel; Hathath.
- 14. And Meonothai begat Ophrah: and Seraiah begat Joab, the father of the valley of Charashim; for they were craftsmen.
- 15. And the sons of Caleb the son of Jephunneh; Iru, Elah, and Naam:

- and the sons of Elah, even Kenaz.
- 16. And the sons of Jehaleleel; Ziph, and Ziphah, Tiria, and Asareel.
- 17. And the sons of Ezra were, Jether, and Mered, and Epher, and Jalon: and she bare Miriam, and Shammai, and Ishbah the father of Eshtemoa.
- 18. And his wife Jehudijah bare Jered the father of Gedor, and Heber the father of Socho, and Jekuthiel the father of Zanoah. And these are the sons of Bithiah the daughter of Pharaoh, which Mered took.
- And the sons of his wife Hodiah the sister of Naham, the father of Keilah the Garmite, and Eshtemoa the Maachathite.
- 20. And the sons of Shimon were, Amnon, and Rinnah, Ben-hanan, and Tilon. And the sons of Ishi were, Zoheth, and Ben-zoheth.
- 21. The sons of Shelah the son of Judah were, Er the father of Lecah, and Laadah the father of Mareshah, and the families of the house of them that wrought fine linen, of the house of Ashbea,
- 22. And Jokim, and the men of Chozeba, and Joash, and Saraph, who had the dominion in Moab, and Jashubi-lehem. And these are ancient things.
- 23. These were the potters, and those that dwelt among plants and hedges: there they dwelt with the king for his work.
- 24. The sons of Simeon were, Nemuel, and Jamin, Jarib, Zerah, and Shaul:
- 25. Shallum his son, Mibsam his son, Mishma his son.
- 26. And the sons of Mishma; Hamuel his son, Zacchur his son, Shimei his son.
- 27. And Shimei had sixteen sons and six daughters: but his brethren had not many children, neither did all their family multiply, like to the children of Judah.
- 28. And they dwelt at Beer-sheba, and Moladah, and Hazar-shual,
- 29. And at Bilhah, and at Ezem,

and at Tolad.

- 30. And at Bethuel, and at Hormah, and at Ziklag,
- 31. And at Beth-marcaboth, and Hazar-susim, and at Beth-birei, and at Shaaraim. These were their cities unto the reign of David.
- 32. And their villages were. Etam, and Ain, Rimmon, and Tochen, and Ashan, five cities:
- 33. And all their villages that were round about the same cities, unto Baal. These were their habitations, and their genealogy.
- 34. And Meshobab, and Jamlech, and Joshah, the son of Amaziah, 35. And Joel, and Jehu the son of Josibiah, the son of Seraiah, the son of Asiel
- 36. And Elioenai, and Jaakobah, and Jeshohaiah, and Asaiah, and Adiel, and Jesimiel, and Benaiah,
- 37. And Ziza the son of Shiphi, the son of Allon, the son of Jedaiah, the son of Shimri, the son of Shemaiah;
- 38. These mentioned by their names were princes in their families: and the house of their fathers increased greatly.
 - 39. And they went to the entrance of Gedor, *even* unto the east side of the valley, to seek pasture for their flocks.
- 40. And they found
 fat pasture and good,
 and the land was wide, and
 quiet, and peaceable;
- for they of
- Ham had dwelt
- there of old.
- 41. And these written by
 name came in the days of
 Hezekiah king of Judah,
- and smote their tents, and
- the habitations

that were found there.

and destroyed them utterly unto this day, and

dwelt in their rooms:

- because there was pasture there for their flocks.
- 42. And some of them, even of

- the sons of Simeon, five hundred men, went to
- mount Seir, having for their captains Pelatiah, and Neariah, and Rephaiah, and Uzziel, the sons of Ishi.
- 43. And they
- smote the rest of
- the Amalekites that were escaped, and dwell there unto this day.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Now the sons of
- Reuben

the firstborn of Israel, (for he was the firstborn; but forasmuch

- as he defiled his father's
- bed, his birthright was
 given unto the sons
 of Joseph the son of Israel:
- of Joseph the son of Israel: and the genealogy is not to be reckoned after the birthright.
- 2. For Judah prevailed above his brethren, and of him came the chief ruler; but the birthright was Joseph's:)
- 3. The sons, I say,
 of Reuben the firstborn of Israel were, Hanoch, and Pallu, Hezron, and Carmi.
 - 4. The sons of Joel; Shemaiah his son, Gog his son, Shimei his son.
 - 5. Micah his son, Reaia his son, Baal his son,
 - Beerah his son, whom
 Tilgath-pilneser king of Assyria
 carried away *captive*: he *was* prince
 of the Reubenites.
 - 7. And his brethren by their families, when the genealogy of their generations was reckoned, *were* the chief, Jeiel, and Zechariah,
 - 8. And Bela the son of Azaz, the son of Shema, the son of Joel, who dwelt in Aroer, even unto Nebo and Baal-meon:
 - 9. And eastward he
 - inhabited unto the entering in of the wilderness from the
 - river Euphrates: because their

cattle were multiplied

in the land of Gilead.

- 10. And in the days of Saul they made war with the
- Hagarites, who fell by their hand: and they dwelt in their tents throughout all the east land of Gilead.
 11. And the children of Gad
 - 11. And the children of Gad dwelt over against them, in the land of Bashan unto Salcah:

12. Joel the chief, and Shapham the next, and Jaanai, and Shaphat in Bashan.

- 13. And their brethren of the house of their fathers *were*, Michael, and Meshullam, and Sheba, and Jorai, and Jachan, and Zia, and Heber, seven.
- 14. These are the children of Abihail the son of Huri, the son of Jaroah, the son of Gilead, the son of Michael, the son of Jeshishai, the son of Jahdo, the son of Buz;
- 15. Ahi the son of Abdiel, the son of Guni, chief of the house of their fathers.
- And they dwelt in Gilead in Bashan, and in her towns, and in all the suburbs of Sharon, upon their borders.
- 17. All these were reckoned by genealogies in the days of Jotham king of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam king of Israel.
- 18. The sons of Reuben, and the Gadites, and half the tribe of Manasseh, of valiant men, men able to bear buckler and sword, and to shoot with bow, and skilful in war, were four and forty thousand seven hundred and threescore.

that went out to the war.

■ 19. And they made war with

■ the Hagarites, with

■ Jetur, and

■ Nephish, and Nodab.

20. And they were helped against them,

and the Hagarites were delivered into their hand,

and all that were with them:

| for they cried to

- God in the battle,
- and he was
- intreated of
- them; because they put their trust in him.
- 21. And they took
 away their cattle: of
- away their cattle; of their camels fifty

thousand, and of

- sheep two hundred and fifty thousand,
- and of

- asses two thousand,
- and of men anhundred thousand.
- 22. For there fell down
- many slain, because the
- war was of God. And they dwelt in their steads until the captivity.
 - 23. And the children of
- the half tribe of Manasseh dwelt in the land: they

increased from Bashan unto Baal–hermon and Senir, and unto mount Hermon.

24. And these were the heads of the house of their fathers, even Epher, and Ishi, and Eliel, and Azriel, and Jeremiah, and Hodaviah, and Jahdiel, mighty men of valour, famous men, and heads of the house of their fathers.

■ 25. And they transgressed ■ against the

■ God of their fathers.

- and went a whoring after
 the gods of the people
 - of the land, whom God destroyed before them.
 - 26. **And** the
 - God of Israel
- stirred up the spirit
- of Pul king of Assyria,
- and the spirit of
- | Tilgath-pilneser king
- of Assyria, and he
- carried them
- away, even
- the Reubenites, and the Gadites, and the
- the Gadites, and the
 half tribe of Manasseh,
 - and brought them

- I unto Halah, and
- Habor, and
- Hara, and to the river
- Gozan, unto this day.

CHAPTER 6

1. The sons of Levi:

Gershon, Kohath, and Merari,

- 2. And the sons of Kohath: Amram. Izhar, and Hebron, and Uzziel.
- And the children of Amram: Aaron. and Moses, and Miriam. The sons also of Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Fleazar and Ithamar
- 4. Eleazar begat Phinehas, Phinehas begat Abishua.
- And Abishua begat Bukki. and Bukki begat Uzzi.
- And Uzzi begat Zerahiah. and Zerahiah begat Merajoth.
- 7. Meraioth begat Amariah, and Amariah begat Ahitub.
- And Ahitub begat Zadok. and Zadok begat Ahimaaz.
- 9. And Ahimaaz begat Azariah, and Azariah begat Johanan.
- 10. And Johanan begat Azariah, (he it is that

executed the priest's office in the temple that Solomon built in Jerusalem:)

- 11. And Azariah begat Amariah. and Amariah begat Ahitub,
- 12. And Ahitub begat Zadok, and Zadok begat Shallum.
- 13. And Shallum begat Hilkiah, and Hilkiah begat Azariah.
- 14. And Azariah begat Seraiah, and Seraiah begat Jehozadak.
- 15. And Jehozadak went into captivity, when the LORD carried away Judah
- and Jerusalem by the hand of Nebuchadnezzar.
 - 16. The sons of Levi; Gershom, Kohath, and Merari,
 - 17. And these be the names of the sons of Gershom; Libni, and Shimei. 18. And the sons of Kohath were.
 - Amram, and Izhar, and Hebron. and Uzziel.
 - 19. The sons of Merari; Mahli, and Mushi. And these are the families of

- the Levites according to their fathers.
- Of Gershom: Libni his son.
- Jahath his son, Zimmah his son, Joah his son, Iddo his son.
- Zerah his son, Jeaterai his son,
- 22. The sons of Kohath: Amminadab his son. Korah his son. Assir his son.
- 23. Elkanah his son, and Ebiasaph his son, and Assir his son.
- Tahath his son. Uriel his son. Uzziah his son, and Shaul his son.
- 25. And the sons of Elkanah:
- Amasai, and Ahimoth.
- 26 As for Elkanah: the sons of Elkanah: Zophai his son, and Nahath his son
- 27 Fliab his son, Jeroham his. son. Elkanah his son.
- 28. And the sons of Samuel: the firstborn Vashni, and Abiah.
- 29 The sons of Merari: Mahli Libni his son. Shimei his son. Uzza his son. 30. Shimea his son, Haggiah his son, Asaiah his son.
- 31. And these are they whom David set over the service of song in the house of the LORD, after that the ark had rest.
- 32. And they ministered before the dwelling place of the tabernacle of the congregation with singing, until Solomon had built the house of the LORD in Jerusalem: and then they waited on their office according to their order
- 33. And these are they that waited with their children. Of the sons of the Kohathites: Heman a singer, the son of Joel, the son of Shemuel.
- The son of Elkanah, the son of Jeroham, the son of Eliel, the son of Toah.
- 35. The son of Zuph, the son of Elkanah, the son of Mahath, the son of Amasai
- 36. The son of Elkanah, the son of Joel, the son of Azariah, the son of Zephaniah.
- 37. The son of Tahath, the son of Assir, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah.
- 38. The son of Izhar, the son of Kohath, the son of Levi, the son

of Israel

39. And his brother Asaph, who stood on his right hand, even Asaph the son of Berachiah, the son of Shimea.

40. The son of Michael, the son of Baaseiah, the son of Malchiah

41. The son of Ethni, the son of Zerah, the son of Adaiah.

42 The son of Ethan, the son of Zimmah, the son of Shimei.

43. The son of Jahath, the son of Gershom, the son of Levi.

44 And their brethren the sons of Merari stood on the left hand: Ethan the son of Kishi, the son of Abdi. the son of Malluch

45. The son of Hashabiah, the son of Amaziah, the son of Hilkiah. 46. The son of Amzi, the son of

Bani, the son of Shamer.

47. The son of Mahli, the son of Mushi, the son of Merari, the son of Levi.

48. Their brethren also

the Levites were

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appointed unto all manner of service of the tabernacle of

the house of God.

49. But Aaron and his sons offered upon the altar of the burnt offering, and on

the altar of incense, and

were appointed for all the work of the place most

holy, and to make an atonement for Israel.

according to all that

Moses the servant of God had commanded.

50. And these are the sons of Aaron: Eleazar his son, Phinehas his son. Abishua his son.

51. Bukki his son. Uzzi his son. Zerahiah his son.

52. Merajoth his son, Amariah his son. Ahitub his son.

53. Zadok his son, Ahimaaz his son.

■ 54. Now these are their ■ dwelling places throughout their castles in their coasts. of the sons of Aaron.

of the families of the

Kohathites: for theirs was the lot.

55. And they gave them Hebron in the land of

Judah, and the suburbs thereof round about it.

But the fields of the city. and the villages thereof,

they gave to Caleb

the son of Jephunneh.

57. And to the sons of Aaron they gave the cities of Judah, namely, Hebron, the city of refuge, and Libnah with her suburbs, and Jattir, and Eshtemoa, with their suburbs. 58 And Hilen with her suburbs.

Dehir with her suburbs

59. And Ashan with her suburbs. and Beth-shemesh with her suburbs: 60 And out

of the tribe of Benjamin;

> Geba with her suburbs, and Alemeth with her suburbs, and Anathoth with her suburbs. All their cities. throughout their families

were thirteen cities.

61. And unto the sons of Kohath, which were

left of the family of that tribe.

were cities

given out of the half tribe, namely, out of the half tribe of Manasseh, by lot,

ten cities.

62. And to the sons of

Gershom throughout their families out of the tribe of Issachar, and out of the tribe of Asher, and out of the tribe of Naphtali, and out of the tribe of Manasseh in Bashan.

thirteen cities.

63. Unto the sons of Merari were given by lot, throughout their families, out of the tribe of Reuben, and out of the tribe of Gad, and out of the tribe of Zebulun.

twelve cities.

64. And the children of

Israel gave to the Levites

these cities with their suburbs. 65. And they gave by lot out of the tribe of the children of Judah, and out of the tribe of the children of Simeon. and out of the tribe of the children of Benjamin, these cities, which are

called by their names.

66. And the residue of the families of the sons of Kohath had cities of their coasts out of the tribe of Ephraim.

67. And they gave unto them, of

the cities of refuge. Shechem in mount Ephraim with her suburbs; they gave also Gezer with her suburbs. 68. And Jokmeam with her suburbs.

and Beth-horon with her suburbs. 69. And Aijalon with her suburbs, and

Gath-rimmon with her suburbs:

70 And out of the half tribe

of Manasseh; Aner with her suburbs

and Bileam with her suburbs.

for the family of the

remnant of the sons of Kohath.

71. Unto the sons of

Gershom were given out of the family of the half tribe of

Manasseh, Golan in Bashan with her suburbs.

and Ashtaroth with her suburbs:

72. And out of the tribe of Issachar: Kedesh

with her suburbs.

Daberath with her suburbs

73. And

Ramoth with her suburbs, and Anem with her suburbs:

74. And out of the tribe of Asher:

Mashal with her suburbs, and **Abdon** with her suburbs

75. And

Hukok with her suburbs, and

Rehob with her suburbs:

76. And out of the tribe of Naphtali: Kedesh in Galilee with her suburbs, and

Hammon with her suburbs, and

Kiriathaim with her suburbs

77. Unto the rest of the children

of Merari were given out of the tribe of Zebulun.

Rimmon with her suburbs.

Tabor with her suburbs:

78. And on the other side Jordan by Jericho.

on the east side of

Jordan, were given them out of the tribe of Reuben. **Bezer** in the wilderness. with her suburbs, and

Jahzah with her suburbs.

79 **Kedemoth** also with her suburbs, and

Mephaath with her suburbs:

80. And out of the tribe of Gad:

Ramoth in Gilead with her suburbs, and

Mahanaim with her suburbs. 81 And

Heshbon with her suburbs,

and Jazer with her suburbs.

CHAPTER 7

Now the sons of Issachar

were, Tola, and

Puah, Jashub, and

Shimrom, four.

And the sons of Tola:

> Uzzi, and Rephaiah, and Jeriel. and Jahmai, and Jibsam, and Shemuel, heads of their father's house to wit of Tola: they

were valiant men of might in their generations;

whose number was in the days of David two

and twenty thousand and six hundred.

And the sons of Uzzi: Izrahiah: and the sons of Izrahiah; Michael. and Obadiah, and Joel, Ishiah, five: all of them chief men.

And with them, by their generations, after the house of

their fathers, were

bands of soldiers for war, six and thirty thousand

men: for they had many wives and sons.

And their brethren among all the families

of Issachar were valiant men of might, reckoned in

all by their genealogies

fourscore and seven thousand.

The sons of Benjamin;

Bela, and Becher,

and Jediael, three.

7. And the sons of Bela: Ezbon, and Uzzi, and Uzziel, and Jerimoth.

- and Iri, five: heads of
- the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour; and ■ Were reckoned by their genealogies
- twenty and
- I two thousand and thirty and ■ I four.
- 8 And the sons
 - of Becher: Zemira, and Joash. and Eliezer, and Elioenai, and Omri, and Jerimoth, and Abiah, and Anathoth, and Alameth, All these are the sons of Becher.
 - And the number of them, after their. genealogy by their generations. heads of the house of their fathers, mighty men of valour.

was twenty thousand and two hundred.

- 10. The sons also of Jediael: Bilhan: and the sons of Bilhan; Jeush, and Benjamin, and Ehud, and Chenaanah, and Zethan, and Tharshish, and Ahishahar
- 11. All these

- the sons of Jediael, by the heads of their fathers, mighty
- men of valour, were seventeen thousand and l two hundred *soldiers*, fit

to go out for war and battle.

- 12. Shuppim also, and Huppim, the children of Ir, and Hushim, the sons of Aher.
- 13. The sons of Naphtali; Jahziel, and Guni, and Jezer, and Shallum, the sons of Bilhah
- The sons of Manasseh: Ashriel. whom she bare: (but his concubine the Aramitess bare Machir the father of Gilead:
- 15. And Machir took to wife the sister of Huppim and Shuppim, whose sister's name was Maachah:) and the name of the second was Zelophehad: and Zelophehad had daughters.
- 16. And Maachah the wife of Machir bare a son, and she called his name Peresh; and the name of his brother was Sheresh: and his sons were Ulam and Rakem.
- 17. And the sons of Ulam: Bedan. These were the sons of Gilead, the

son of Machir, the son of Manasseh. 18. And his sister Hammoleketh bare Ishod, and Abiezer, and Mahalah

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- 19. And the sons of Shemidah were. Ahian, and Shechem, and Likhi, and Aniam
- And the sons of **Ephraim**; Shuthelah, and Bered his son, and Tahath his son, and Eladah his son, and Tahath his son. And Zabad his son. and Shuthelah his son. and Ezer, and Elead.
- whom the men of Gath that were born in that land
- slew, because
- they came down to take away
- their cattle.
- 22. And Ephraim their father mourned many days. and his brethren came
- to comfort him.
- 23. And when he went in to his wife, she
- conceived, and bare a son, and he called his name Beriah, because it went evil with his house.
 - 24. (And his daughter was Sherah, who built Beth-horon the nether, and the upper, and Uzzen-sherah.)
 - 25. And Rephah was his son, also Resheph, and Telah his son, and Tahan his son.
 - 26. Laadan his son, Ammihud his son. Elishama his son.
 - Non his son, Jehoshua his son.
 - 28. And their possessions and habitations were Beth-el and the towns thereof, and eastward Naaran, and westward Gezer, with the towns thereof: Shechem also and the towns thereof, unto Gaza and the towns thereof:
 - 29. And by the borders of the children of Manasseh, Beth-shean and her towns. Taanach and her towns, Megiddo and her towns, Dor and her towns. In these dwelt the children of Joseph the son of Israel.
- The sons of Asher: Imnah. and Isuah, and Ishuai, and Beriah,

and Serah their sister

- 31. And the sons of Beriah; Heber, and Malchiel, who *is* the father of Birzavith.
- 32. And Heber begat Japhlet, and Shomer, and Hotham, and Shua their sister.
- 33. And the sons of Japhlet; Pasach, and Bimhal, and Ashvath. These are the children of Japhlet.
- 34. And the sons of Shamer; Ahi, and Rohgah, Jehubbah, and Aram. 35. And the sons of his brother Helem; Zophah, and Imna, and Shelesh, and Amal.
- 36. The sons of Zophah: Suah, and Harnepher, and Shual, and Beri, and Imrah,
- 37. Bezer, and Hod, and Shamma, and Shilshah, and Ithran, and Beera. 38. And the sons of Jether; Jephunneh, and Pispah, and Ara. 39. And the sons of Ulla; Arah, and
- 40 All these

Haniel, and Rezia.

- **Were** the children of Asher, heads of *their* father's house, choice *and* mighty
- men of valour, chief of the princes.
- And the number
- throughout the genealogy of them that were apt to the war and to battle
- was twenty and six thousand men.

CHAPTER 8

- ■| 1. Now Benjamin begat
- Bela his firstborn.
- Ashbel the second, and
- Aharah the third.
- 2. Nohah the fourth.
- and Rapha the fifth.
- 3. **And** the sons of Bela
 - Were, Addar, and Gera, and Abihud,
 - 4. And Abishua, and Naaman, and Ahoah,
 - 5. And Gera, and Shephuphan, and Huram.
 - 6. And these are the sons of Ehud: these are the heads of the fathers of
 - the inhabitants of Geba,

- and they removed them to
 - 7. And Naaman, and Ahiah, and Gera, he removed them, and begat Uzza, and Ahihud.
- 8. And Shaharaim begat children in the country of
- Moab, after he had sent them away; Hushim and Baara were his wives.
 - 9. And he begat of Hodesh his wife, Jobab, and Zibia, and Mesha, and Malcham,
 - 10. And Jeuz, and Shachia, and Mirma. These *were* his sons, heads of the fathers.
 - 11. And of Hushim he begat Abitub, and Elpaal.
 - 12. The sons of Elpaal; Eber, and Misham.
 - and Shamed, who
- built Ono, and Lod,
- with the towns thereof:

 13. **Berigh also, and**
- Shema, who were heads of the fathers of the
- inhabitants of Aijalon, who
- drove away theinhabitants of Gath:
 - 14. And Ahio, Shashak, and Jeremoth.
 - 15. And Zebadiah, and Arad, and Ader.
 - and Ader, 16. And Michael, and Ispah.
 - and Joha, the sons of Beriah; 17. And Zebadiah, and Meshullam, and Hezeki, and Heber.
 - 18. Ishmerai also, and Jezliah,
 - and Jobab, the sons of Elpaal;
 19. And Jakim, and Zichri, and Zabdi,
 - 20. And Elienai, and Zilthai, and Eliel,
 - 21. And Adaiah, and Beraiah, and
 - Shimrath, the sons of Shimhi;
 - 22. And Ishpan, and Heber, and Eliel,
 - 23. And Abdon, and Zichri, and Hanan,
 - 24. And Hananiah, and Elam, and Antothijah,
 - 25. And Iphedeiah, and Penuel, the sons of Shashak:
 - 26. And Shamsherai, and Shehariah, and Athaliah.
- 27. And Jaresiah, and

■| Eliah, and Zichri, the ■| sons of Jeroham.

28. These were heads of the fathers, by their generations, chief men. These

dwelt in Jerusalem.

- 29. And at Gibeon dwelt the father of Gibeon; whose wife's name was Maachah:
- And his firstborn son Abdon, and Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Nadab.
- 31. And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zacher.
- 32. And Mikloth begat Shimeah. And these also dwelt with their brethren in Jerusalem, over against them.
- 33. And Ner begat Kish, and Kish begat Saul, and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchi-shua, and Abinadab, and Esh-baal.
- And the son of Jonathan was Merib-baal; and Meribbaal begat Micah.
- 35. And the sons of Micah were, Pithon, and Melech, and Tarea, and Ahaz
- 36. And Ahaz begat Jehoadah; and Jehoadah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza.
- 37. And Moza begat Binea: Rapha was his son, Eleasah his son, Azel his son
- 38. And Azel had six sons, whose names are these, Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan. All these were the sons of Azel.
- 39. And the sons of Eshek his brother were, Ulam his firstborn, Jehush the second, and Eliphelet the third.
- 40. And the sons of Ulam were mighty men of valour, archers, and had many sons, and sons' sons, an hundred and fifty. All these *are* of the sons of Benjamin.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. So all Israel were
- reckoned by genealogies;
- **and**, behold, they were
- written in the book of the
 - kings of Israel and Judah,

who were carried away to Babylon for their transgression.

■ 2. Now the first inhabitants

that dwelt in their possessions in their cities

- Were, the Israelites.
- the priests, Levites, and the Nethinims
- 3. And in Jerusalem dwelt of the children of
- Judah. and of the children of
- Benjamin, and of the children of Ephraim, and Manasseh:
 - Uthai the son of Ammihud, the son of Omri, the son of Imri, the son of Bani, of the children of Pharez the son of Judah.
 - 5. And of the Shilonites; Asaiah the firstborn, and his sons.
 - 6. And of the sons of Zerah; Jeuel, and their brethren, six hundred and ninety.
 - 7. And of the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Hodaviah, the son of Hasenuah,
 - 8. And Ibneiah the son of Jeroham, and Elah the son of Uzzi, the son of Michri, and Meshullam the son of Shephathiah, the son of Reuel, the son of Ibnijah;
- 9. And their brethren, according to their generations,
- nine hundred and fifty and
- Six. All these men
- were chief of the fathers in the house of their fathers.
- 10. And of the priests;
 - Jedaiah, and Jehoiarib, and Jachin, 11. And Azariah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, the ruler of the house of God; 12. And Adaiah the son of Jeroham,
 - 12. And Adaiah the son of Jeroham the son of Pashur, the son of Malchijah, and Maasiai the son of Adiel, the son of Jahzerah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Meshillemith, the son of Immer;
 - 13. And their brethren, heads of the house of their fathers.
 - a thousand and
 - seven hundred and

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threescore: very able men for the work of the service of the house of God.

of the sons of Merari:

14. And of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hasshub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah.

15. And Bakbakkar, Heresh, and Galal, and Mattaniah the son of Micab, the son of Zichri, the son

of Asaph:

16. And Obadiah the son of Shemaiah, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun, and Berechiah the son of Asa, the son of Elkanah, that dwelt in the villages of the Netophathites.

17. And the porters were, Shallum, and Akkub, and Talmon. and Ahiman, and their brethren: Shallum was the chief:

18. Who hitherto waited in the king's gate eastward: they were porters in the companies of the children of Levi. 19. And Shallum the son of Kore, the son of Ebiasaph, the son of Korah. and his brethren, of the house of his father, the Korahites.

were over the work of the service, keepers of the gates of the tabernacle: and their fathers, being over the host of the LORD, were keepers of the entry. 20. And Phinehas the son of Fleazar was the ruler over them in time past. and the LORD was with him.

21. And Zechariah the son of Meshelemiah was porter of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation.

22. All these which were chosen to be porters in the gates

north, and south.

were two hundred and

twelve. These were reckoned by their genealogy in their villages, whom David and Samuel the seer did ordain in their set office.

23. So they and their children had the oversight of the gates of the house of the LORD, namely, the house of the tabernacle, by wards. 24. In four quarters were the porters, toward the east, west,

25. And their brethren, which were in their villages, were to come after seven days from time to time with them.

26 For these Levites, the four chief porters, were in their set office, and were over the chambers and treasuries of the house of God.

27. And they lodged round about

the house of God, because the charge was upon them, and the opening thereof every morning pertained to them.

28 And certain of them had the

charge of the ministering vessels, that they should

bring them in and out by tale. 29. **Some** of them also

were appointed to oversee the vessels. and all the

instruments of the

sanctuary, and the fine

flour, and the wine, and the

oil, and the frankincense.

and the spices. 30 And some

of the sons of the priests made the ointment of the spices.

31. And Mattithiah. one of the Levites, who was the firstborn of Shallum the Korahite.

had the set office over the things that were made in the pans.

> 32. And other of their brethren, of the sons of

the Kohathites, were over the shewbread, to prepare it every sabbath.

33. And these are the singers, chief of the fathers of the Levites, who

remaining in the chambers were free; for they were employed in that work day and night.

- 34. These chief fathers of the Levites were chief throughout their generations; these dwelt at Jerusalem.
- And in Gibeon dwelt the father. of Gibeon, Jehiel, whose wife's name was Maachah:
- 36. And his firstborn son Abdon. then Zur, and Kish, and Baal, and Ner, and Nadab.
- 37. And Gedor, and Ahio, and Zechariah, and Mikloth.
- 38. And Mikloth begat Shimeam. And they also dwelt with their brethren at Jerusalem, over against their brethren.
- 39. And Ner begat Kish; and Kish begat Saul; and Saul begat Jonathan, and Malchishua, and Abinadab, and Eshbaal,
- 40. And the son of Jonathan was Merib-baal; and Meribbaal begat Micah.
- And the sons of Micah were. Pithon, and Melech, and Tahrea, and Ahaz.
- 42. And Ahaz begat Jarah; and Jarah begat Alemeth, and Azmaveth, and Zimri; and Zimri begat Moza;
- 43. And Moza begat Binea; and Rephaiah his son. Eleasah his son. Azel his son.
- 44. And Azel had six sons, whose names are these. Azrikam, Bocheru, and Ishmael, and Sheariah, and Obadiah, and Hanan: these were the sons of Azel.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Now the Philistines
- fought against Israel:
- and the men of
 - Israel fled from

before the Philistines.

- and fell down
- slain in mount Gilboa.
- 2. And the Philistines followed hard after Saul, and after his sons: and the Philistines

slew Jonathan, and

Abinadah, and Malchi-shua

- the sons of Saul.
- 3. And the battle went sore against
 - Saul, and the archers hit him, and he
- was wounded of the archers.
- 4. Then said Saul to his
- armourbearer. Draw thy sword, and thrust me
- through therewith: lest
- these uncircumcised

come and

- abuse me. But his armourbearer would
- not: for he was sore afraid.
- So Saul took a sword.
 - and fell upon it. 5 And when his
- armourbearer saw
- that Saul was dead.
- he fell likewise on the sword, and died.
 - So Saul died, and his three sons,
 - and all his house died together.
- 7 And when all the men of
- Israel that were in the valley saw that they fled, and that
- Saul and his sons
- were dead, then
- they forsook their
- cities, and fled:
- and the Philistines came and dwelt in them.
- And it came to pass.
- on the morrow, when
 - the Philistines came to
 - strip the slain, that they
- found Saul and his sons fallen in mount Gilboa.
- 9. And when they had
- stripped him, they
- took his head, and his
- armour, and sent into the land of the Philistines round about, to carry
- tidinas unto their
- idols, and to
- the people. 10. **And** they
- put his armour in the
- house of their gods.
- and fastened his head in the temple of Dagon.

11 And when all

Jabesh-ailead heard all that the Philistines had done to Saul.

12. They grose, all

the valiant men.

and took away

the body of Saul,

and the bodies of

his sons, and brought them to Jabesh

and buried their

bones under the oak in Jabesh.

and fasted seven days.

13. So Saul died for his

transgression

which he committed against the LORD, even

against the word of the

LORD, which he kept not, and also

for asking counsel

of one that had

a familiar spirit, to enquire of it:

■ 14. And enquired not of the

LORD: therefore he slew

him, and turned the

kingdom unto David the

son of Jesse.

CHAPTER 11

■ 1. Then all Israel gathered themselves to David

unto Hebron.

saying, Behold, we are thy bone and thy flesh.

2. And moreover in time past, even

■ when Saul was king.

■ thou wast he that

leddest out and broughtest

in Israel: and the LORD thy

God said unto thee. Thou shalt feed my people Israel, and

thou shalt be ruler

over my people

Israel

3. Therefore came all

the elders of Israel to the

king to Hebron; and David made a covenant with them in Hebron before the LORD; and they

anointed David king over Israel, according to the word of the LORD by Samuel.

4 And David and all Israel

went to Jerusalem, which is Jebus: where the Jebusites were, the inhabitants of the land.

And the

inhabitants of Jebus

said to David. Thou shalt not come hither.

Nevertheless

David took the castle of

Zion, which is

the city of David.

6. And David

said. Whosoever

smiteth the Jebusites first shall be chief and

captain. So Joab

the son of Zerujah

went first up and was chief.

> And David dwelt in the castle: therefore they called it the city of David.

8. And he built the city round about. even from Millo round about: and Joab repaired the rest of the city.

9 So David waxed

greater and greater: for the LORD of hosts was with him

10. These also are the chief of the mighty men whom David had, who strengthened themselves with him in his kingdom, and with all Israel, to make him king, according to the word of the LORD concerning Israel.

And this is the number

of the mighty men whom David had: Jashobeam.

an Hachmonite, the chief. of the captains: he

lifted up his spear against three hundred slain by

him at one time.

12 And after him was

Eleazar the son of Dodo. the Ahohite, who

was one of the

three mighties. 13. He was with David at

Pas-dammim, and there the Philistines were

gathered together

to battle, where was a parcel

of ground full of barley:

and the people fled from ■ before the Philistines.

■ 14. And they set themselves in the midst of that parcel. and delivered it, and

slew the Philistines: and the LORD saved them

by a great deliverance.

■ 15. Now three of the thirty

captains went down to the rock

to David, into the cave

of Adullam: and the host of the Philistines encamped in the valley of Rephaim.

> 16. And David was then in the hold. and the Philistines' garrison was then at Beth-lehem.

17. And David longed, and said. Oh that one would give me drink of the water of the well of Beth-lehem. that is at the gate!

18. And the three brake

through the host of

the Philistines, and drew water out of the

well of Beth-lehem, that was by the gate, and took it.

and brought it to David: but David would not drink of it, but

poured it out to the LORD.

19. And said, My God forbid it me.

that I should do this

thing: shall I drink the

blood of these men

that have put their lives in

ieopardy? for with the jeopardy of their lives they brought it. Therefore he would not drink it. These things did these three mightiest.

20. And Abishai the brother of Joab, he

was chief of the three: for lifting up his spear against

three hundred, he

slew them.

and had a name among the three.

21. Of the three, he was more honourable than the two:

for he was their captain: howbeit he

attained not to the first three

22. **Bengigh** the son of Jehojada the son of a valiant man of Kabzeel. who had done many acts: he

slew two lionlike men of Moab: also he went down and slew a lion in a pit in

a snowy day.

23. And he slew an

Egyptian, a man of great stature,

five cubits high; and in the Eavotian's hand was a spear like a weaver's

beam; and he went down to him with a staff, and

plucked the spear out of the Egyptian's hand.

and slew him with his own spear.

24. These things did Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, and had the name among the three mighties.

25. Behold, he was honourable among the thirty.

but attained not to the first three:

and David set him over his guard.

26. Also the valiant men of the armies were. Asahel the brother of Joab. Elhanan the son of Dodo of Beth-lehem.

27 Shammoth the Harorite, Helez the Pelonite.

28 Ira the son of Ikkesh the Tekoite. Abjezer the Antothite.

29 Sibbecai the Hushathite, Ilai the Ahohite.

30. Maharai the Netophathite, Heled the son of Baanah the Netophathite.

31. Ithai the son of Ribai of Gibeah. that pertained to the children of Benjamin, Benaiah the Pirathonite.

Hurai of the brooks of Gaash.

Abjet the Arbathite. 33. Azmaveth the Baharumite.

Fliabba the Shaalbonite.

34. The sons of Hashem the Gizonite. Jonathan the son of Shage the Hararite.

35. Ahiam the son of Sacar the Hararite, Eliphal the son of Ur, 36. Hepher the Mecherathite,

Ahijah the Pelonite,

- 37. Hezro the Carmelite, Nagrai the son of Ezhai
- 38. Joel the brother of Nathan, Mibhar the son of Haggeri,
- 39. Zelek the Ammonite, Naharai the Berothite, the armourbearer of Joab the son of Zeruiah.
- 40 Ira the Ithrite. Gareb the Ithrite.
- 41. Uriah the Hittite. Zabad the son. of Ahlai
- 42 Adina the son of Shiza the Reubenite, a captain of the Reubenites, and thirty with him.
- 43. Hanan the son of Maachah, and Joshaphat the Mithnite.
- 44 Uzzia the Ashterathite Shama and Jehiel the sons of Hothan the Argerite
- 45. Jediael the son of Shimri, and Joha his brother, the Tizite.
- 46. Eliel the Mahavite, and Jeribai. and Joshaviah, the sons of Flnaam and Ithmah the Moabite.
- 47. Eliel, and Obed, and Jasiel the Mesobaite.

CHAPTER 12

- I 1. Now these are they that came to David to Ziklag, while he vet
- kept himself close because of Saul the son of

Kish: and they were among the mighty men, helpers of the war.

- 2. They were armed with bows, and could use both the right hand and the left in *hurling* stones and shooting arrows out of a bow, even of Saul's brethren of Benjamin.
 - 3. The chief was Ahiezer, then Joash. the sons of Shemaah the Gibeathite: and Jeziel, and Pelet, the sons of Azmaveth; and Berachah, and Jehu the Antothite
 - 4. And Ismaiah the Gibeonite, a mighty man among the thirty, and over the thirty; and Jeremiah, and Jahaziel, and Johanan, and Josabad the Gederathite.
 - 5. Eluzai, and Jerimoth, and Bealiah. and Shemariah, and Shephatiah the Haruphite.

- Elkanah, and Jesiah, and Azareel, and Joezer, and Jashobeam the Korhites
- 7 And Joelah, and Zebadiah the sons of Jeroham of Gedor. 8. And of
- the Gadites there

separated themselves

- unto David into the hold to the wilderness men of might, and
- men of war fit for the battle, that could handle shield and buckler. whose faces were

like the faces of

lions, and were as swift as

the roes upon the mountains:

- 9. Ezer the first. Obadiah the second. Eliab the third.
- Mishmannah the fourth. Jeremiah the fifth.
- 11. Attai the sixth. Eliel the seventh.
- 12. Johanan the eighth, Elzabad the ninth.
- Jeremiah the tenth. Machbanai the eleventh
- 14. These were of

the sons of Gad.

captains of the host; one of the least was over an hundred, and the greatest over a thousand.

15. These are they that

went over Jordan in the first

month, when it had overflown all his banks;

and they put to flight all them of

the valleys, both toward the east, and toward the west.

16 And there came of

the children of Benjamin and Judah

to the hold unto David.

17. And David went out

to meet them, and answered and said unto them.

If ve be

come peaceably unto me

to help me, mine heart shall be knit unto vou:

but if ye be come to

betray me to mine enemies, seeing there is

no wrong in mine hands, the

God of our fathers look thereon, and rebuke it. ■ 18. **Then** the spirit came upon Amasai, who was chief of the captains, and he said. Thine are we, David, and on thy side, thou son of Jesse: peace, peace be unto thee, and peace be to thine helpers: for thy God helpeth thee. Then David received them. and made them captains of the band. ■ 19. And there fell some of Manasseh to David, when ■ I he came with the Philistines against Saul to battle: ■ but they helped them ■ not: for the lords of the Philistines upon advisement sent him away, saying, He will fall to his master **Saul** to *the ieopardy of* our heads. 20. As he went to Ziklag. there fell to him of Manasseh, Adnah, and Jozabad, and Jediael, and Michael, and Jozabad, and Elihu, and Zilthai, captains of the thousands that were of Manasseh. 21. And they helped David against the band of the rovers: for they were all mighty men of valour, and were captains in the host. 22. For at that time day by day there came to David to help him, until it was a great host, like the host of God. 23. And these are the numbers of the bands that were ready armed to the war, and came to David to Hebron, to turn the kingdom of Saul to him, according to the word of the LORD. 24. The children of Judah that bare shield and spear were six thousand and eight hundred, ready

armed to the war.

■ Simeon, mighty men of

25. Of the children of

- 632 valour for the war. seven thousand and one hundred. 26. Of the children of Levi four thousand and six hundred. 27. And Jehojada was the leader of the Agronites, and with him were three thousand and seven hundred: 28. And Zadok, a young man mighty of valour. and of his father's house twenty and two captains. 29. And of the children of Benjamin, the kindred of Saul. three thousand: for hitherto the greatest part of them had kept the ward of the house of Saul. 30 And of the children of Ephraim twenty thousand and eight hundred, mighty men of valour, famous throughout the house of their fathers. 31. And of the half tribe of Manasseh eighteen thousand, which were expressed by name, to come and make David king. 32. And of the children of Issachar, which were men that had understanding of the times, to know what Israel ought to do: the heads of them were two hundred: and all their brethren *were* at their commandment. 33. Of Zebulun, such as went
 - 33. Of Zebulun, such as went forth to battle, expert in war, with all instruments of war,
 - fifty thousand, which could keep rank: they were not of double heart.
 - 34. And of Naphtali a
 thousand captains, and
 with them with shield and spear
 thirty and
 - seven thousand.
 - 35. And of the

- I Danites expert in war
- twenty and
- eight thousand and
- six hundred.
 - 36. And of Asher, such as went forth to battle, expert in war,
- forty thousand.

37. And on the other side of Jordan.

- of the Reubenites, and
- the Gadites, and of
- the half tribe of Manasseh. with all manner of instruments
- of war for the battle. an hundred and
- twenty thousand. 38. All these men of war, that
 - could keep rank, came with a perfect heart to Hebron, to make David king over all Israel:
- and all the rest also
- of Israel were of one heart
- to make David kina.
- 39. **And** there
- they were with David
- three days, eating
- and drinking: for their brethren had prepared for them.
- 40. Moreover they that were nigh them. even unto Issachar and Zebulun and Naphtali.
- brought bread on asses, and on camels, and on mules, and on oxen.
- and meat, meal.
- cakes of figs, and bunches of
- **raisins**, and
- | wine, and
- oil, and oxen, and sheep
- abundantly: for there ■ was joy in Israel.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. And David consulted with the captains of thousands and hundreds, and
- with every leader.
- 2. And David said unto all the congregation of Israel, if it seem good unto you, and that it be of the LORD our God
- let us send abroad
- unto our brethren
 - every where, that are I left in all the land of

- Israel, and with them
- also to
 - the priests and Levites
- which are in their cities and suburbs.
 - that they may
- gather themselves
- unto us:
- 3. And let us bring again
- the ark of our
- God to us: for we inquired not at it in the days of Saul.
 - 4. And all
- the congregation said that they would do so: for

the thing was right in

- the eyes of all the people. 5. So David gathered all Israel
- together, from Shihor of Egypt even unto the entering of Hemath, to bring the ark of God from Kiriath-iearim.
- 6. And David went up. and all Israel, to Baalah, that is.
 - to Kirjath-jearim, which belonged to Judah,
- to bring up thence
 - the ark of God the LORD, that dwelleth between the cherubims. whose name is called on it.
- 7. And they carried
- the ark of God
- in a new cart out of the house of Abinadab:
- and Uzza and Ahio drave the cart.
- And David and all Israel played before
- God with all their might, and with singing, and with
- harps, and with psalteries. and with timbrels, and with cymbals, and with trumpets.
- 9. And when
- they came unto the threshingfloor of Chidon, Uzza put forth his hand
- to hold the ark: for the oxen stumbled.
- 10. And the anger of the LORD was kindled against
- Uzza, and he smote him, because he put his hand
 - to the ark: and there he
 - died before God.

- 11. And David was displeased. because the LORD had made a breach upon Uzza: wherefore that place is called Perez-uzza to this day.
- 12. And David was ■ afraid of God that dav. saying, How shall I
- **bring the ark** of God
- home to me?
 - 13. So David brought not the ark home to himself to the city of David, but
- carried it aside
- into the house of
- Obed-edom the Gittite.
- 14. And the ark of God **■ remained** with the family of Obed-edom
- in his house three
- months. And the LORD
- **blessed** the house of
- Obed-edom, and ■ all that he had.

CHAPTER 14

- I 1. Now Hiram king of Tyre sent messengers to David, and timber of cedars.
- with masons and carpenters. to build him an house.
- 2. And David perceived that
- the LORD had confirmed
- him king over Israel, for his kingdom was lifted up on high, because of his people Israel.
- 3 And David took more
- wives at Jerusalem:
- and David
- **begat** more

sons and daughters.

- 4. Now these are the names of his children which he had in Jerusalem: Shammua, and Shobab, Nathan, and Solomon,
- 5. And Ibhar, and Elishua. and Elpalet.
- And Nogah, and Nepheg. and Japhia,
- 7. And Elishama, and Beeliada, and Eliphalet.
- 8. And when the Philistines

heard that David was

anointed king over all Israel, all **=** 1 the Philistines went up to

- seek David. And David heard of it, and went out against them. 9. And the Philistines came and
 - spread themselves in the valley of Rephaim.
- 10. And David inquired of **=** | God, saying, Shall I go up against the Philistines? And wilt thou deliver them into mine hand?
- And the LORD
- said unto him
- Go up: for

I will deliver them

into thine hand.

11. So they came up to Baal-perazim;

and David smote them there.

Then David said. God hath broken in upon mine enemies by mine hand like the breaking forth of waters: therefore they called the name of that place

Baal-perazim.

- 12. And when they had left their gods there. David gave a commandment.
 - and they were burned with fire
- And the Philistines vet again spread
- themselves abroad
- in the valley.
- 14 Therefore David inquired again of
- God: and God
- said unto him.
- Go not up after

them; turn away from them,

- and come upon them over against the mulberry trees.
- 15. And it shall be.
- when thou shalt hear
- a sound of aoing
- in the tops of the mulberry
- trees, that then
- thou shalt go out
 - to battle: for God is gone forth before thee to smite the host of the Philistines.
 - 16. **David** therefore

■ | did as God commanded

■ him: and they

smote the host of the Philistines from Gibeon

even to Gazer.

17. And the fame of David went out into all lands;

and the LORD brought the fear of him upon all nations.

CHAPTER 15

- 1. And *David* made him ■ I houses in the city of
- David, and prepared
 a place for the ark of

God, and pitched for it a tent.

- 2. Then David said, None
- Ought to carry the ark of God
 but the Levites: for them hath the LORD chosen to carry the ark of God, and to minister unto him for ever.
- 3. And David gathered all Israel together to Jerusalem,
 - to bring up the ark of the LORD
- unto his place, which he had prepared for it

- 4. And David assembled the children of Aaron, and the Levites:
 - 5. Of the sons of Kohath; Uriel the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twenty:
 - Of the sons of Merari; Asaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred and twenty;
 - Of the sons of Gershom; Joel the chief and his brethren an hundred and thirty;
 - 8. Of the sons of Elizaphan; Shemaiah the chief, and his brethren two hundred:
 - 9. Of the sons of Hebron; Eliel the chief, and his brethren fourscore:
 - 10. Of the sons of Uzziel; Amminadab the chief, and his brethren an hundred and twelve.
 - And David called for Zadok and Abiathar the priests, and for the Levites, for Uriel, Asaiah, and Joel, Shemaiah, and Eliel, and Amminadab,
 - 12. And said unto them, Ye are the chief of the fathers of the

Levites: sanctify yourselves, both ye and your brethren.

■ that ye may bring up

■ the ark of the LORD God of Israel

unto the place that I have prepared for it.

- 13. For because ye
- did if not at thefirst, the LORD our
- God made a breach
 upon us, for that we soug
 - **upon us,** for that we sought him not after the due order.
- 14. So the priests and the Levites sanctified
- themselves to bring up the ark of the LORD God of Israel.
- 15. **And** the children of the Levites
- bare the ark of God
 upon their shoulders
 with the staves thereon,
 as Moses commanded
 - according to the word of the LORD.
- 16. And David spake to the chief of the
 - Levites to appoint their brethren to be the
- singers with instruments
 of music, psalteries and harps
 and cymbals, sounding, by lifting
 up the voice with joy.
- 17. So the Levites
- Heman the son of Joel;
 and of his brethren, Asaph

the son of Berechiah; and of the sons of Merari their brethren, Ethan the son of Kushajah;

- 18. And with them their
 brethren of the second
 - degree, Zechariah, Ben, and Jaaziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, Eliab, and Benaiah, and Maaseiah, and Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, the porters.

 19. So the singers, Heman, Asaph,
 - and Ethan, were appointed to sound with cymbals of brass;
 - 20. And Zechariah, and Aziel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Unni, and Eliab, and Maaseiah, and Benaiah, with osalteries on Alamoth:

- 21. And Mattithiah, and Elipheleh, and Mikneiah, and Obed-edom, and Jeiel, and Azaziah, with harps on the Sheminith to excel.
- 22. And Chenaniah, chief of the Levites, was for song: he
- instructed about the sona. because he was skilful.
- 23 And Berechigh and
- | Elkanah *were*
- doorkeepers for the ark.
- 24. And Shebaniah, and
- Jehoshaphat, and
- Nethaneel, and
- | Amasai, and
- Zechariah, and
- Benaiah, and Eliezer. the priests.
- did blow with the trumpets before the ark of God:
- and Obed-edom and Jehiah *were* doorkeepers
- for the ark.
- 25. So David, and the
- elders of Israel, and the captains over thousands.
 - went to bring up
- the ark of the covenant of the LORD
- out of the house of
- Obed-edom with joy.
- 26. And it came to pass, when
- God helped the Levites that bare the ark of the covenant of the LORD, that

they offered seven bullocks and seven rams

- 27 And David was clothed with a robe of fine
- linen, and all
- the Levites that bare the ark,
- and the
- singers, and Chenaniah the master of the song with the singers:
- David also had upon him an ephod of linen.
- 28. Thus all Israel
- brought up the ark of the covenant of the LORD
- | with shouting, and
- | with sound of
 - the cornet, and with
- | trumpets, and with

- cymbals, making a noise with psalteries and harps.
- 29. **And** it came to pass.
- as the ark of the covenant of the LORD
- came to the city of David, that
- Michal, the daughter of
- **Saul** looking out at a window
- SOW king
- David dancing and playing:
- and she despised him
- I in her heart.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. So they brought
- the ark of God.
- and set it in the midst of the
- tent that David
- had pitched for it:
- and they
- offered burnt
- sacrifices and peace
- offerings before God.
- 2. And when
- David had made an end of offering the burnt offerings and the peace offerings, he
- blessed the people in the name of the LORD.
- 3. And he dealt to every one of Israel, both man
- and woman, to every one a loaf of bread, and a good
- piece of flesh, and a flagon *of wine.*
- 4. And he appointed certain of the
- Levites to minister before
- the ark of the LORD, and
- to record, and to thank and praise the LORD God of Israel:
 - Asaph the chief, and next to him Zechariah, Jeiel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehiel, and Mattithiah, and Eliab, and Benaiah, and Obed-edom: and Jeiel with psalteries and with harps; but Asaph made a sound
 - with cymbals: 6. Benaiah also and Jahaziel the priests with trumpets continually before the ark of the covenant of God.
- 7. **Then** on that day
- David delivered first this

psalm to thank the LORD into the hand of Asaph and his brethren.

8 Give thanks unto the

LORD, call upon his name.

make known his deeds among the people.

9. Sing unto him,

sing psalms unto him, talk ve of all his

wondrous works.

10. Glory ye in his holy name: let the heart of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

11. Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.

12. Remember his marvellous works

that he hath done, his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;

13. O ye seed of Israel his servant, ve children of Jacob. his chosen ones.

14. He is the LORD our God: his judgments are in all the earth.

15. **Be** ye

mindful always

of his covenant; the word which he commanded

to a thousand generations: 16. Even of the covenant which

he made with Abraham, and of his oath unto Isaac:

17. And hath confirmed the same to Jacob for a law, and to Israel for an everlasting covenant.

18. Saying, Unto thee will I give the land of Canaan. the lot of your inheritance;

19. When ye were but

few, even a few, and strangers in it.

20. And when they

went from nation to nation, and from one

kingdom to another people;

21. He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes, 22. Saying, Touch not mine anointed, and do my prophets no harm.

23. Sing unto the

LORD, all the earth;

shew forth from day to day

his salvation.

24. Declare his alory among the heathen:

his marvellous works among all nations.

For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised:

he also is to be feared above all gods.

26. **For** all

the gods of the people are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.

> 27. Glory and honour are in his presence; strength and gladness are in his place.

28. Give unto the LORD, ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

29. Give unto the LORD

the alory due unto

his name: bring an offering, and come before him:

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

30. Fear before

him, all the earth: the world also shall be stable, that it be not moved.

Let the heavens be

glad, and let the earth rejoice: and let men say among the nations. The LORD reigneth.

32. Let the sea roar.

and the fulness thereof: let the fields rejoice, and all that is therein.

Then shall the trees of the wood

sing out at the presence of the LORD, because he cometh

to judge the earth.

34. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good; for

his mercy *endureth* for ever.

35. And say ye, Save us, O God of our salvation,

> and gather us together, and deliver us from the heathen, that we may give thanks to thy holy name, and glory in thy praise.

36. Blessed be the LORD God

of Israel for ever and ever.

And all the people said.

Amen, and praised the LORD.

37. So he left there before the ark of the covenant of the LORD

Asaph and his brethren,

to minister before the

every day's work required:

 38. And Obed-edom with their brethren, threescore and eight: Obed-edom also the son of

Jeduthun and Hosah to be porters: 39. And Zadok the priest, and his brethren the priests, before the tabernacle of the LORD in the high place that was at Gibeon.

 40. To offer burnt offerings unto the LORD upon the altar of the burnt offering continually morning and evening.

and to do according to
 all that is written in the
 law of the LORD, which

he commanded Israel; 41. And with them Heman and Jeduthun.

and the rest that were chosen, who

■ Were expressed by name,

to give thanks to the LORD,

because his mercy endureth for ever; 42. And with them Heman and Jeduthun with trumpets and cymbals for those that should make a sound, and with musical instruments of God. And the sons of Jeduthun were porters.

43. And all the people departed every man to his house: and David returned to bless his house.

CHAPTER 17

Now it came to pass, as David sat in his house, that

David said to Nathan theprophet, Lo, I dwell in an

house of cedars, but the

ark of the covenant of the LORD remaineth under curtains.

2. Then Nathan

■ said unto David,

■ Do all that is in thine heart;
■ for God is with thee.

3. And it came to pass

the same night, that

the word of God came to Nathan, saving.

4. Go and

tell David my servant, Thus saith the LORD.

Thou shalt not build me an house to dwell in:

■ 5. For I have not dwelt in

an house since the day that I brought up Israel unto this day;

■ but have gone from tent to tent, and

from one tabernacle

to another.

6. Wheresoever I have walked with all Israel,

spake I a word

■ to any of

the judges of Israel, whom I commanded to feed my people, saying.

Why have ye not built me an house of cedars?

7. Now therefore thus shalt thou

■ say unto my servant

■ David, Thus saith the

■ I took thee from the sheepcote, even from

following the sheep,

that thou shouldest be

■ Inat thou shouldest be ruler over my people

■ Israel:

8 And I have been with

thee whithersoever thou hast walked, and have cut off all thine enemies from before thee,

■ | and have

made thee a name like the name of the great men

that are in the earth.

9. Also I will ordain a

place for my people

israel, and will plant them,

and they shall dwell in their place, and

shall be moved no more;

neither shall the children of wickedness waste them any more,

as at the beginning,

And since the time that I commanded judges to be over my people Israel. Moreover

I will subdue all thine enemies.

Furthermore I tell thee that the LORD will build thee an house.

- 11. And it shall come to pass,
- when thy days be expired that thou must
- go to be with thy fathers, that
- I will raise up thy seed after thee, which shall be of thy sons;
- and I will establish his kingdom.
- 12. He shall build me an house, and I will stablish
 his throne for ever.
 - 13. I will be his father, and he shall be my son:
- and I will not take my
 mercy away from him, as I took it from him that was before thee:
 14. But I will settle him in mine house and in my kingdom for ever:
- and his throne shall be established for evermore.
 - According to all these words, and according to all this vision, so did Nathan speak unto David.
 And David the king came
- 16. And David the king came and sat before the LORD, and said, Who am I, O LORD God, and what is mine house.
- that thou hast brought me hitherto?
 - 17. And yet this was a small thing in thine eyes, O God; for thou hast also spoken of thy servant's house for a great while to come, and hast regarded me according to the estate of a man of high degree, O LORD God. 18. What can David speak more to thee for the honour of thy servant? for thou knowest thy servant.
- 19. O LORD,

for thy servant's sake, and

- according to thine own heart, hast thou done
- all this greatness, in making known all these great things.
 - 20. O LORD, there is none

- **like thee,** neither is there any God beside thee, according to all that we have heard with our ears.
- 21. And what one nation in the earth
- is like thy people
- Israel, whom God went to
 redeem to be his own people.

to make thee a name of greatness and terribleness, by driving out nations from before thy people whom thou hast redeemed out of Egypt? 22. For thy people Israel didst thou make thine own people for ever; and

thou, LORD, becamest their God.

- 23. Therefore now,
- LORD, let the
- | thing that thou hast
- spoken concerning thy servant and concerning
- servant and concerning
 his house be established
 for ever, and do as thou hast said

for ever, and do as thou hast said.

24. Let it even be established.

- that thy name may be magnified for ever, saying,
- The LORD of hosts is the God of Israel, even a God to Israel: and let the house of David thy servant be established before thee.

 25. For thou, O my God, hast told
 - thy servant that thou wilt build him an house: therefore thy servant hath found in his heart to pray before thee. 26. And now, LORD, thou art God, and hast promised this goodness unto thy servant:
- 27. **Now** therefore let
- bless the house of thy
- servant, that it may be before thee for ever: for thou blessest, O LORD,
- and it shall be blessed
- for ever.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. Now after this it came to pass, that
 - David smote the
- Philistines, and subdued
- them, and took Gath and her towns out of the hand of the Philistines.
- 2. And he smote Moab; and
- the Moabites became

- David's servants. and brought gifts.
- 3. And David smote Hadarezer king of
- Zobah unto Hamath.
- as he went to stablish his ■ dominion by the river
- | Euphrates.
- 4. And David took from him ■ a thousand chariots, and
- seven thousand horsemen.
- and twenty thousand ■ footmen: Ďavid also
- I houghed all
- the chariot horses.
- but reserved of them
- an hundred chariots.
- 5. And when the Syrians of Damascus came to help Hadarezer king of Zobah.
- David slew of
- | the Syrians two and ■ twenty thousand men.
 - 6. Then David put garrisons in Syria-damascus: and the Syrians became David's servants. and brought gifts. Thus the LORD preserved David whithersoever he went.
- And David took the ■ shields of gold that were
- on the servants of Hadarezer, and brought
- them to Jerusalem. 8. Likewise from Tibhath, and from Chun, cities of Hadarezer,
- brought David very much ■ brass, wherewith Solomon
- made the brasen sea. and the pillars, and the vessels of brass.
- 9. Now when
- Tou king of Hamath heard how David had smitten all the host of Hadarezer king of Zobah: 10. He
- sent Hadoram
- his son to king
- David, to inquire of his
- welfare, and to congratulate him, because he had fought against Hadarezer, and smitten him: (for Hadarezer had war with Tou;)

- and with him all manner of
- vessels of gold and silver and brass.
- 11. **Them** also king
- David dedicated unto the
- LORD, with the silver and the
- gold that he brought from all these nations; from

Edom, and from Moab, and from the children of Ammon, and from the Philistines, and from Amalek.

- 12 Moreover
- Abishai the son of Zerujah
 - slew of
- the Edomites in the valley of salt eighteen thousand.
 - 13. And he
- put garrisons in Edom;
- and all
- the Edomites became
- David's servants. Thus the LORD preserved David

whithersoever he went.

- 14. So David
- reigned over all Israel.
- and executed judament
- and justice among all his people.
 - 15. And Joab the son of Zeruiah was over the host; and Jehoshaphat the son of Ahilud, recorder.
 - 16. And Zadok the son of Ahitub, and Abimelech the son of Abiathar, were the priests; and Shavsha was scribe; 17. And Benaiah the son of Jehoiada was over the Cherethites and the Pelethites: and the sons of David were chief about the king.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. Now it came to pass after this, that
- Nahash the king of the children
- of Ammon died, and his son reigned in his stead.
- And David said, I
- will shew kindness unto
- Hanun the son of Nahash,
- because his father shewed
- kindness to me. And David
- sent messengers to
- comfort him concerning his
 - father. So the servants of David came

into the land of the children of Ammon. to Hanun, to comfort him.

- 3. But the princes of the children of Ammon said to Hanun.
- Thinkest thou that David
- doth honour thy father, that he hath sent comforters unto thee?

are not his servants

- come unto thee for to search. and to overthrow, and
- to spy out the land?
- 4. Wherefore Hanun took David's servants, and
- shaved them, and cut off
 - their garments in the midst hard by their buttocks.
- and sent them away.
- 5. Then there went certain, and told

David how the men were served. And he

- sent to meet them: for the
- men were greatly
- ashamed. And the king
- said, Tarry at Jericho until your beards be
 - grown, and then return.
 - 6. And when the children of Ammon saw that
- they had made themselves odious to David, Hanun
- and the children of Ammon
- sent a thousand talents
- of silver to hire them.
- chariots and horsemen out of Mesopotamia, and out of
- Syria-maachah, and out of Zobah.
 - 7 So they hired thirty and two lhousand chariots, and the king of Maachah and his people; who came and pitched before Medeba. And the children of Ammon gathered themselves together from their cities, and
- came to battle.
- 8. And when David
- heard of it.

- he sent Joab, and
- all the host of
- the mighty men.
 - 9. And the children of Ammon came out, and put the battle in array before the gate of the city: and the kings that were come were by

themselves in the field

- Now when Joab saw that the battle was set
- against him before and behind, he chose out of all
- the choice of Israel, and
- put them in array against the Syrians.
- 11. And the rest of the people he delivered unto the hand of Abishai his brother. and they set themselves in array against the children of
- Ammon.
- 12. And he said. If the Syrians be too strong

for me, then thou shall

- help me: but if the children of Ammon be too strong for
- thee, then I will help thee. 13. Be of good courage,
 - and let us behave ourselves valiantly for our people, and for the cities of our God: and
- let the LORD do that which is good in his sight.
- 14. So Joab and the people that were with him
- drew nigh before the Syrians unto the battle:
 - and they fled before him. 15. And when the children of
- Ammon saw that the Syrians were

fled, they likewise fled

before Abishai his brother, and entered into the city. Then Joab came to Jerusalem.

- 16. And when the Syrians saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they sent messengers,
- and drew forth the
- Syrians that were beyond the river: and
 - Shophach the captain of the host of Hadarezer went before them.
 - 17. And it was told
- David: and he
- gathered all
- Israel, and passed over Jordan, and came upon them.
 - and set the battle in array

- **against them.** So when David had put *the battle* in array against the Syrians, they fought with him.
- 18. But the Syrians
- **fled** before Israel;
- and David slew of the Syrians
- seven thousand
- men which fought
- in chariots, and forty thousand footmen.
- and killed Shophach
- the captain of the host.
- 19. And when the servants of
- Hadarezer saw that they were put to the worse before Israel, they
- made peace with David, and became his servants:

neither would the Syrians help the children of Ammon any more.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. And it came to pass, that
- after the year was expired,at the time that kings go out
- to battle, Joab led forth
 - the power of
- the army, and wasted the country of the children of
- Ammon, and came and besieged Rabbah.
- But David tarried atJerusalem. And Joab
- smote Rabbah, and destroyed it.
- 2. And David took
- the crown of their
- king from off his head.
- and found it to weigh a
- talent of gold, and there were precious stones
- in it; and it was set upon
- David's head: and he brought also exceeding
- much spoil out of the city.
- 3. And he brought out
- the people that were in it,
- and cut *them* with saws,
- **and** with harrows of iron, and with **axes**. Even so dealt David with
 - QXes. Even so dealt David with all the cities of the children of Ammon. And David and all the people returned to Jerusalem.
 - 4. And it came to pass

- I after this, that
- there grose war at Gezer with the Philistines; at
 - which time Sibbechai the
 Hushathite slew Sippai, that
 was of the children of the giant:
- and they were subdued.
 - 5. And there was war again with the Philistines;
- and Elhanan the son of Jair
- slew Lahmi the brother of Goliath the Gittite, whose spear
- Goliath the Gittite, whose spear staff was like a weaver's beam.
 6. And yet again there was
- war at Gath, where was a man of *great* stature,
- whose fingers and toes
- **were** four and twenty,
- six on each hand,
- and six on each
 - **foot** and he also was the son of the giant.
- 7. But when he defied Israel. Jonathan the
- Israel, Jonathan the son of Shimea David's
- brother slew him.
 - These were born unto the giant in Gath; and they fell by the hand of David, and by the hand of his servants.

CHAPTER 21

- 1. And Satan stood
- up against Israel, and
- provoked David to
- number Israel.
- 2. And David said to Joab and to the rulers of the people.
- Go, number Israel from Beer-sheba even to Dan; and bring the number of them to
- me, that I may know it.

 3. And Joab answered.

The LORD make his people an hundred times so many more as they be: but, my lord the king, are they not all my lord's servants?

- why then
- doth my lord require this thing? why will he be a cause of
- trespass to Israel?
- 4. Nevertheless the king's
- word prevailed against

Joab. Wherefore Joab departed, and went throughout all Israel, and came to Jerusalem.

and came to Jerusalem.

5. And Joab gave the sum of

the number of the people unto David. And all they of Israel were a thousand

thousand and an hundred thousand men that drew sword:

■ | thousand men that drew sw ■ | and Judah *was* four

hundred threescore and ten thousand

men that drew sword.

6. But Levi and Benjamin

■ counted he not among them:

for the king's word was

■ 7. And God was

displeased with this thing; therefore he smote Israel

■ 8. And David said unto

God, I have sinned greatly, because I have done this thing:

but now, I beseech thee,

do away the

iniquity of thy servant;

for I have done very

foolishly.

9. And the LORD spake unto Gad, David's seer, saying,

10. Go and

tell David, saying, Thus saith the LORD

I offer thee

three things: choose thee

one of them,

that I may do it unto thee.

■ 11. So Gad came to David, and said unto him

Thus saith the LORD,

■ Choose thee

■ 12. Either three years'

famine; or three months to be destroyed before

thy foes, while that the sword of

■ thine enemies overtaketh thee;

or else three days the sword

of the LORD, even the

pestilence, in the land, and the angel of the LORD destroying throughout all the coasts

of Israel. Now therefore advise thyself what word I shall bring

again to him that sent me.

13. And David said

let me fall now into the

hand of the LORD; for very areat *are* his mercies:

but let me not fall into

14. So the LORD sent pestilence upon Israel:

and there fell of Israel seventy thousand men.

■ 15. And God sent an

angel unto Jerusalemto destroy it: and as

he was destroying, the LORD beheld, and he

■ repented him of the evil,

and said to the

■ angel that destroyed,

It is enough, stay now thine hand.

And the angel of the LORD
 stood by the threshingflo

stood by the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.

of Ornan the Jebusite

16. And David lifted

up his eves, and

saw the angel of the LORD stand between the earth and the heaven,

■ having a drawn

sword in his hand
stretched out over

stretched out overJerusalem. Then David

and the elders of Israel, who were clothed in sackcloth.

fell upon their faces.

■ 17. And David

said unto God, *Is it* not

I *that* commanded the people to be numbered?

even I it is that

have sinned
and done evil indeed:

but as for these sheep,

what have they done?

let thine hand, I pray thee. O LORD my God.

be on me, and on my father's house; but not on thy people, that they should be plaqued.

■ 18. Then the angel of the LORD

■ commanded

Gad to say to David,

■ I that David should go up, and

set up an altar unto the LORD in the threshingfloor of

Ornan the Jebusite.

19. And David went up at the saying of Gad, which he spake in the name of the LORD.

20. And Ornan turned back, and saw the angel: and his

four sons with him hid themselves.

Now Ornan was threshing wheat.

21. And as David came to Ornan.

Ornan looked and

 Ornan looked and
 saw David, and went out of the threshingfloor, and bowed himself

to David with *his* face to the ground.

22. Then David said toOrnan, Grant me the place of

this threshingfloor, that I may build an altar therein

unto the LORD: thou shalt grant it me for the full price:

that the plague may be

stayed from the people.

23. And Ornan said unto

David, Take it to thee, and let my lord the king do that which is good in his eyes: lo,

I give thee the oxen also for
 burnt offerings, and the
 threshing instruments for
 wood, and the wheat for

■ the meat offering; I give it all.

■ 24. **And** king

■ David said to Ornan,

■ Nay; but I will verily

buy it for the full price:

for I will not take

that which is thine for

the LORD, nor offer burnt offerings without cost.

■ 25. So David gave to

Ornan for the place

six hundred shekels

of gold by weight.

■ 26. **And** David

■ **built** there

■ an altar unto the LORD,

and offered

burnt offerings and peace

offerings, and called upon the LORD; and he answered

him from heaven

by fire upon the altar of burnt offering.

27. **And the** LORD commanded the

■ angel; and he

put up his sword again into the sheath thereof.

28. At that time

when David saw that the LORD had answered

him in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite,

then he sacrificed there.

29. For the tabernacle of the LORD, which Moses made in the wilderness,

and the altar of the burnt offering.

were at that season in the high place at

■ Gibeon.

■ 30. But David could

not go before it

■ to inquire of God: for he

was afraid because of the sword

■ of the angel of the LORD.

CHAPTER 22

1. Then David said, This is the house of the LORD God, and this is the altar of the burnt offering for Israel.

2. And David commanded to gather together the strangers that were in the land of Israel; and he set

masons to hew wrought

stones to build the house of God.

■ 3. And David prepared

iron in abundance

■ for the

nails for the doors of the gates, and for the joinings;

and brass in

■ abundance without weight;

Also cedar trees in abundance: for the Zidonians and they of Tyre brought much cedar wood to David.

■ 5. And David

said, Solomon my son

is young and tender,

and the house that is

■ to be builded for the LORD

645 must be exceeding magnifical, of fame and of glory throughout all countries: I will therefore now make preparation for it. So David prepared abundantly before his death. 6 Then he called for Solomon his son. and charged him to build an house for the LORD God of Israel 7 And David said to Solomon, My son, as for me, it was in my mind to build an house unto the name of the LORD my God: 8 But the word of the LORD came to me. saying, Thou hast shed blood abundantly. and hast made great wars: thou shalt not build an house unto my name, because thou hast shed much blood upon the earth in my sight. ■ 9 Behold, a son shall **be born** to thee who shall be a man of rest; and I will give him rest from all his enemies round about: for his name shall be Solomon, and I will give peace and quietness unto Israel in his days. 10. He shall build an house for my name; and he shall be my son, and I will be his father: and I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel for ever. 11. Now, my son, the

LORD be with thee:

build the house of the LORD

13. Then shalt thou prosper.

thy God, as he hath said of thee.

12. Only the LORD give

understanding, and give

thee charge concerning Israel.

that thou mayest keep the law of the LORD thy God.

if thou takest heed to fulfil the

statutes and judgments which the

and prosper thou, and

thee wisdom and

LORD charged Moses with concerning Israel: be strong, and of good courage; dread not, nor be dismayed. 14. Now, behold, in my trouble I have prepared for the house of the LORD an hundred thousand talents of gold, and a thousand thousand talents of silver; and of brass and iron without weight; for it is in abundance; timber also and stone have I prepared; and thou mavest add thereto. 15. Moreover there are workmen with thee in abundance, hewers and workers of stone and timber, and all manner of cunning men for every manner of work. 16. Of the gold, the silver, and the brass, and the iron. there is no number. Arise therefore. and be doing, and the LORD be with thee. 17 David also 6 commanded all the princes of Israel to help Solomon his son.

> 18. Is not the LORD your God with you? and hath he not given you rest on every side? for he hath given the inhabitants of the land into mine hand: and the land is subdued before the LORD, and before his people.

19. Now set your heart and your soul

to seek the LORD your God:

arise therefore.

saying,

and build ye the sanctuary

of the LORD God.

to bring the ark

of the covenant of the LORD.

and the holy vessels of God.

into the house that is to

be built to the name of the LORD.

CHAPTER 23

So when David was

old and full of days.

he made Solomon his son

king over Israel.

- 2. And he gathered together all the princes of Israel. with the priests and the
- Levites.
- 3. Now the

- Levites were numbered
- from the age of
- thirty years and upward: and their number by their polls,
- man by man, was thirty and eight thousand.
- 4. Of which, twenty and four thousand were to set forward the work of the house of the LORD: and six thousand were officers and judges:
- 5. Moreover four thousand were porters: and four thousand praised the
- LORD with the instruments which I made, said David, to praise therewith.
- 6. And David divided them into courses among the sons of Levi. namely. Gershon. Kohath, and Merari.
 - 7. Of the Gershonites were. Laadan, and Shimei.
 - 8. The sons of Laadan; the chief was Jehiel, and Zetham, and Joel, three,
 - 9. The sons of Shimei: Shelomith, and Haziel, and Haran, three. These were the chief of the fathers of Laadan.
 - 10. And the sons of Shimei were, Jahath, Zina, and Jeush, and Beriah. These four were the sons of Shimei. 11. And Jahath was the chief, and
 - Zizah the second: but Jeush and Beriah had not many sons; therefore they were in one reckoning.
 - according to their father's house. 12. The sons of Kohath: Amram.
 - Izhar. Hebron, and Uzziel, four. 13. The sons of Amram: Aaron and Moses: and Aaron was separated, that he should sanctify the most holy things, he and his sons for ever, to burn incense before the LORD, to minister unto him, and to bless in his name for ever.
 - 14. Now concerning Moses the man of God, his sons were named of the tribe of Levi.

- 15. The sons of Moses were. Gershom, and Eliezer.
- Of the sons of Gershom. Shebuel was the chief
- 17. And the sons of Eliezer were. Rehabiah the chief. And Eliezer had none other sons; but the sons of Rehabiah were very many.
- 18. Of the sons of Izhar: Shelomith the chief.
- 19. Of the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, and Jekameam the fourth.
- 20. Of the sons of Uzziel: Micah the first and Jesiah the second.
- 21. The sons of Merari: Mahli. and Mushi. The sons of Mahli: Fleazar and Kish
- 22. And Eleazar died, and had no sons, but daughters; and their brethren the sons of Kish took them. 23. The sons of Mushi: Mahli.
- and Eder, and Jeremoth, three. 24. These were
- the sons of Levi after the house of their fathers: even the chief of the fathers, as they were counted by number of names by their polls, that did the work
- for the service of the house of the LORD, from the age of twenty years and upward. 25. For David said,
- The LORD God of Israel
- hath given rest unto his
- people, that they may dwell in Jerusalem for ever:
- 26 And also unto
- the Levites; they
- shall no more carry the
 - tabernacle, nor any vessels of it for the service thereof.
 - 27. For by the last words of David the Levites were numbered from twenty years old and above:
- 28. Because their office was to wait on the sons of
- Agron for the service of the
- house of the LORD, in the courts, and in the chambers,
- and in the
 - purifying of all
- holy things, and the work of

the service of the house of God; 29. **Both for the shewbread,** and for the fine flour for meat offering, and for the

unleavened cakes, and for that which is baked in the pan, and for that which is fried, and for all manner of measure and size:

30. And to stand every morning to thank and praise the LORD, and likewise at even:

■ 31. And to offer all burnt

sacrifices unto the LORD in the sabbaths, in the new moons, and on the set feasts, by number, according to the order commanded unto them, continually before the LORD:

■ 32. And that they should keep the charge of the

■ tabernacle of the congregation,

■ and the charge of

the holy place, and the charge

of the sons of

Aaron their brethren,

in the service of the house of the LORD.

I of the LORD.

CHAPTER 24

1. Now these are the
divisions of the sons
of Aaron. The sons of

Aaron; Nadab, and Abihu, Eleazar, and Ithamar.

 But Nadab and Abihu died before their father, and had no children: therefore

Eleazar and Ithamarexecuted the priest'soffice.

3. And David distributed them, both Zadok of the sons of Eleazar, and Ahimelech of the sons of Ithamar, according to their offices in their service.

4. And there were more chief men found of the sons of Eleazar than of the sons of Ithamar, and thus were they divided.

Among the sons of Eleazar there were sixteen chief

men of the house of their fathers, and eight among the sons of Ithamar according to the house of their fathers.

5. Thus were they divided by lot, one sort with another;

for the governors of the sanctuary, and governors of the house of God, were of the sons of Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.

Eleazar, and of the sons of Ithamar.
6. And Shemaiah the son of
Nethaneel the scribe, *one* of the
Levites, wrote them before the king,
and the princes, and Zadok the priest,
and Ahimelech the son of Abiathar,
and *before* the chief of the fathers of
the priests and Levites: one principal
household being taken for Eleazar,
and *one* taken for Ithamar.

- 7. Now the first lot came forth to Jehoiarib, the second to Jedaiah,
- 8. The third to Harim, the fourth to Seorim.
- 9. The fifth to Malchijah, the sixth to Mijamin,
- 10. The seventh to Hakkoz, the eighth to Abijah,
- 11. The ninth to Jeshuah, the tenth to Shecaniah.
- 12. The eleventh to Eliashib, the twelfth to Jakim,
- 13. The thirteenth to Huppah, the fourteenth to Jeshebeab,
- 14. The fifteenth to Bilgah, the sixteenth to Immer
- 15. The seventeenth to Hezir, the eighteenth to Aphses,
- 16. The nineteenth to Pethahiah, the twentieth to Jehezekel.
- 17. The one and twentieth to Jachin, the two and twentieth to Gamul,
- 18. The three and twentieth to Delaiah, the four and twentieth to Maaziah.
- 19. These were the orderings of them in their service to come into the house of the LORD, according to their manner, under Aaron their father, as the LORD God of Israel had commanded him.
- 20. And the rest of the sons of Levi were these: Of the sons of Amram; Shubael: of the sons of Shubael:

Jehdeiah.

- 21. Concerning Rehabiah: of the sons of Rehabiah, the first was Isshiah.
 22. Of the Izharites; Shelomoth: of the sons of Shelomoth; Jahath.
 23. And the sons of Hebron; Jeriah the first, Amariah the second, Jahaziel the third, Jekameam the fourth.
- 24. Of the sons of Uzziel; Michah: of the sons of Michah; Shamir.
 25. The brother of Michah was Isshiah: of the sons of Isshiah; Zechariah.
- 26. The sons of Merari were Mahli and Mushi: the sons of Jaaziah; Beno. 27. The sons of Merari by Jaaziah; Beno, and Shoham, and Zaccur, and Ihri
- 28. Of Mahli *came* Eleazar, who had no sons.
- 29. Concerning Kish: the son of Kish was Jerahmeel.
- The sons also of Mushi; Mahli, and Eder, and Jerimoth. These were the sons of the Levites after the house of their fathers.
- 31. These likewise cast lots over against their brethren the sons of Aaron in the presence of David the king, and Zadok, and Ahimelech, and the chief of the fathers of the principal fathers over against their younger brethren.

CHAPTER 25

- 1. Moreover David and the captains of the host
- separated to the service of the sons of Asaph, and of Heman, and of Jeduthun,
- who should prophesy
- with harps, with
- psalteries, and with cymbals: and the
- number of the workmen

according to their service

■ | was:

 Of the sons of Asaph; Zaccur, and Joseph, and Nethaniah, and Asarelah, the sons of Asaph under the hands of Asaph, which prophesied

- according to the order of the king.
- 3. Of Jeduthun: the sons of Jeduthun; Gedaliah, and Zeri, and Jeshaiah, Hashabiah, and Mattithiah, six, under the hands of their father Jeduthun, who prophesied with a harp, to give thanks and to praise the LOBD.
- Of Heman: the sons of Heman: Bukkiah, Mattaniah, Uzziel, Shebuel, and Jerimoth, Hananiah, Hanani, Eliathah, Giddalti, and Romamtiezer, Joshbekashah, Mallothi, Hothir, and Mahazioth:
- All these were the sons of Heman the king's seer in the words of God, to lift up the horn. And God gave to Heman fourteen sons and three daughters.
- 6. All these were under the hands of their father for song in the house of the LORD, with cymbals, psalteries, and harps, for the service of the house of God, according to the king's order to Asaph, Jeduthun, and Heman.
- 7. So the number of them, with their brethren that were instructed in the songs of the LORD, even all that were cunning, was
- two hundred fourscore and eight.
- 8. And they cast lots, ward
 against ward, as well the
 small as the great, the

teacher as the scholar.

- Now the first lot came forth for Asaph to Joseph: the second to Gedaliah, who with his brethren and sons were twelve:
- 10. The third to Zaccur, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 11. The fourth to Izri, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 12. The fifth to Nethaniah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 13. The sixth to Bukkiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 14. The seventh to Jesharelah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 15. The eighth to Jeshaiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:

- 16. The ninth to Mattaniah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 17. The tenth to Shimei, *he*, his sons, and his brethren. *were* twelve:
- 18. The eleventh to Azareel, *he,* his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
- 19. The twelfth to Hashabiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 20. The thirteenth to Shubael, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
- 21. The fourteenth to Mattithiah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 22. The fifteenth to Jeremoth, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 23. The sixteenth to Hananiah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
- 24. The seventeenth to
- Joshbekashah, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
- 25. The eighteenth to Hanani, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:26. The nineteenth to Mallothi, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 27. The twentieth to Eliathah, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 28. The one and twentieth to Hothir, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 29. The two and twentieth to Giddalti, he, his sons, and his brethren, were twelve:
- 30. The three and twentieth to Mahazioth, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve:
- 31. The four and twentieth to Romamtiezer, *he*, his sons, and his brethren, *were* twelve.

CHAPTER 26

- 1. Concerning the divisions of the porters: Of the
 Korhites was Meshelemiah the son
 - Korhites was Meshelemiah the son of Kore, of the sons of Asaph.
 - 2. And the sons of Meshelemiah were, Zechariah the firstborn, Jediael the second, Zebadiah the third, Jathniel the fourth.
 - 3. Elam the fifth, Jehohanan the sixth, Elioenai the seventh.
 - 4. Moreover the sons of Obed-edom were, Shemaiah the firstborn, Jehozabad the second. Joah the

- third, and Sacar the fourth, and Nethaneel the fifth.
- 5. Ammiel the sixth, Issachar the seventh, Peulthai the eighth: for God blessed him.
- 6. Also unto Shemaiah his son were sons born, that ruled throughout the house of their father: for they were mighty men of valour.
- 7. The sons of Shemaiah; Othni, and Rephael, and Obed, Elzabad, whose brethren were strong men, Elihu, and Semachiah.
- 8. All these of the sons of Obed-edom: they and their sons and their brethren, able men for strength for the service, were threescore and two of Obed-edom.
- 9. And Meshelemiah had sons and brethren, strong men, eighteen.
- Also Hosah, of the children of Merari, had sons; Simri the chief, (for though he was not the firstborn, yet his father made him the chief;)
- 11. Hilkiah the second, Tebaliah the third, Zechariah the fourth: all the sons and brethren of Hosah were thirteen.
- 12. Among these
 were the divisions of the porters, even among the chief men, having wards one against another.

to minister in the house of the LORD.

13. And they cast lots, as well the small as the great, according to the house of their fathers, for every gate.

- 14. And the lot eastward fell to Shelemiah. Then for Zechariah his son, a wise counsellor, they cast lots; and his lot came out northward.
- 15. To Obed-edom southward; and to his sons the house of Asuppim.
- 16. To Shuppim and Hosah the lot came forth westward, with the gate Shallecheth, by the causeway of the going up, ward against ward.
- 17. Eastward were six Levites, northward four a day, southward four a day, and toward Asuppim two and two.

- 18. At Parbar westward, four at the causeway, *and* two at Parbar.
- 19. These are the divisions of the porters among the sons of Kore, and among the sons of Merari.20. And of the Levites, Ahijah was over the treasures of the house
- of God, and over the treasures of the dedicated things.

 21. As concerning the sons of
- Laadan; the sons of the Gershonite Laadan, chief fathers, *even* of Laadan the Gershonite, *were* Jehieli.
- 22. The sons of Jehieli; Zetham, and Joel his brother, which were over the treasures of the house of the LORD.
 23. Of the Amramites, and the Izharites, the Hebronites, and the Uzzielites:
- 24. And Shebuel the son of Gershom, the son of Moses.
 was ruler of the treasures.
 25. And his brethren by Eliezer;
 Rehabiah his son, and Jeshaiah his son, and Joram his son, and Zichri his son, and Shelomith his son.
- Shelomith and his brethren were over all the treasures of the dedicated things, which
 David the king, and the chief

26. Which

- David the king, and the chifathers, the captains over thousands and hundreds, and the captains of the host,
 had dedicated.
- 27. Out of the spoils won in battles did they dedicate to maintain the house of the LORD.
 - 28. And all that Samuel the seer, and Saul the son of Kish, and Abner the son of Ner, and Joab the son of Zeruiah, had dedicated; and whosoever had dedicated any thing, it was under the hand of Shelomith, and of his brethren.
- 29. Of the Izharites,
 Chenaniah and his sons
 were for the outward
 business over Israel,
 for officers and judges.
 30. And of the Hebronites.

- I Hashabiah and his
- brethren, men of valour, a thousand and seven hundred,
- were officers among them of Israel
- on this side Jordan westward in all the
- westward in all the■ business of the LORD.
- **and** in the service
 - of the king.
 - 31. Among the Hebronites was Jerijah the chief, even among the Hebronites, according to the generations of his fathers.

 In the fortieth year
- In the fortieth year of the reign of David they were sought for, and
 - there were found among them mighty men of

valour at Jazer of Gilead.
32. And his brethren, men

- of valour, were
- two thousand and seven hundred chief
- fathers, whom king David
- made rulers over the
- Reubenites, the
- Gadites, and the half
- tribe of Manasseh, for every matter pertaining to God, and affairs of the king.

CHAPTER 27

- Now the children of Israel after their number, to wit.
- the chief fathers and captains of thousands and hundreds.
- and their officers that
- served the king in any matter of the courses, which came in and went out month by month throughout all the months of the year, of every course
- were twenty and four thousand.
- Over the first course for the first month was Jashobeam the son of Zabdiel: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.
 - 3. Of the children of Perez was the chief of all the captains of the host for the first month.
 - 4. And over the course of the second month was Dodai an Ahohite, and of

- his course was Mikloth also the ruler: in his course likewise were twenty and four thousand.
- 5. The third captain of the host for the third month was Benaiah the son of Jehoiada, a chief priest: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.
- This is that Benaiah, who was mighty among the thirty, and above the thirty: and in his course was Ammizabad his son.
- 7. The fourth *captain* for the fourth month *was* Asahel the brother of Joab, and Zebadiah his son after him: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
- 8. The fifth captain for the fifth month was Shamhuth the Izrahite; and in his course were twenty and four thousand.
- 9. The sixth *captain* for the sixth month *was* Ira the son of lkkesh the Tekoite: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
- 10. The seventh captain for the seventh month was Helez the Pelonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.
- 11. The eighth *captain* for the eighth month *was* Sibbecai the Hushathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
- 12. The ninth captain for the ninth month was Abiezer the Anetothite, of the Benjamites: and in his course were twenty and four thousand.
- 13. The tenth *captain* for the tenth rnonth *was* Maharai the Netophathite, of the Zarhites: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand
- 14. The eleventh *captain* for the eleventh month *was* Benaiah the Pirathonite, of the children of Ephraim: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
- 15. The twelfth *captain* for the twelfth month *was* Heldai the Netophathite, of Othniel: and in his course *were* twenty and four thousand.
- 16. Furthermore over the tribes of Israel: the ruler of the Reubenites

- was Eliezer the son of Zichri: of the Simeonites, Shephatiah the son of Maachah:
- 17. Of the Levites, Hashabiah the son of Kernuel: of the Aaronites, Zadok:
- 18. Of Judah, Elihu, one of the brethren of David: of Issachar, Omri the son of Michael:
- 19. Of Zebulun, Ishmaiah the son of Obadiah: of Naphtali, Jerimoth the son of Azriel:
- 20. Of the children of Ephraim, Hoshea the son of Azaziah: of the half tribe of Manasseh, Joel the son of Pedaiah:
- 21. Of the half tribe of Manasseh in Gilead, Iddo the son of Zechariah: of Benjamin, Jaasiel the son of Abner: 22. Of Dan, Azareel the son of Jeroham. These were the princes of the tribes of Israel
- 23. But David took not the number of them from twenty
 years old and under:
 because the LORD had
 said he would increase
- said ne would increase
 Israel like to
- the stars of the heavens.

 24. Joab the son of Zeruiah
- began to number, but he finished not, because there fell wrath for it against
 - Israel; neither was the number put in the account of the chronicles of king David.
- 25. And over the king's treasures was Azmaveth the son of Adiel:
- and over the storehouses in the fields, in the cities, and in the villages, and in the castles,
- was Jehonathan
- 26. And over them that did the work of the
- field for till age of the ground was Ezri the son of Chelub:
- 27. And over the vineyards
- was Shimei the Ramathite:
- Over the increase of the vineyards for
 - the wine cellars was Zabdi

the Shiphmite:

28 And over the olive trees

and the

sycomore trees

that were in the low plains

was Baal-hanan the Gederite:

and over the cellars of

oil was Joash:

29. And over the

herds that fed

in Sharon was

Shitrai the Sharonite:

and over the herds that were

in the valleys was

Shaphat the son of Adlai:

30. Over the camels also

was Obil the Ishmaelite:

and over

the asses was

Jehdeigh the Meronothite:

31. And over the flocks was Jaziz the Hagerite.

All these were the rulers of the substance which was king David's. ■ 32. Also Jonathan David's

■ uncle was a counsellor.

a wise man, and a scribe:

and Jehiel the son of Hachmoni

was with the king's sons: 33. And Ahithophel was

the king's counsellor:

and Hushai the Archite

was the king's companion: 34. And after Ahithophel was

Jehoiada the son of Benaiah, and Abiathar:

■ and the general of the l■ king's army *was* Joab.

CHAPTER 28

■ 1 1. And David assembled all the princes of Israel, the princes of the tribes, and the captains of the companies that ministered to the king by course, and the captains over the thousands, and captains over the hundreds, and the stewards over all the substance and possession of the king, and of his sons, with the officers, and with the mighty men, and with all the valiant men

unto Jerusalem.

Then David the king. stood up upon his feet.

and said. Hear me, my brethren, and my people; As for me.

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I had in mine heart to build an house of rest for the ark • of the covenant of the LORD and for the footstool of our God.

and had made ready for the buildina:

3. But God said unto me.

Thou shalt not build an house for my name.

because thou hast been a man of war, and hast shed blood.

4 Howbeit the

LORD God of Israel

chose me before

all the house of my father

to be king over Israel for ever: for he hath chosen Judah to be the ruler; and of the house of Judah, the house of my father; and among the sons of my father he liked me to make me king over all Israel:

5. And of all my sons, (for the LORD hath given me many sons.) he hath

chosen Solomon my son to sit upon the throne of the kingdom of the LORD over Israel

6. And he said unto me.

Solomon thy son, he

shall build my house and my courts: for I have chosen him to be my son, and I will be his father.

7. Moreover I will establish his kingdom for ever, if he be constant to do my commandments and my judgments, as at this day.

8 Now therefore in the sight of all Israel the congregation of the LORD, and in the audience of our God,

keep and seek for all the commandments

of the LORD your God:

that ye may possess this good land.

and leave it for an inheritance for your children after you for ever.

9. And thou, Solomon my

son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and

willing mind:

for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts:

if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.

10. Take heed now; for the LORD hath chosen

thee to build an house for

the sanctuary: be strong, and do it.

■ 11. Then David gave

to Solomon his son

the pattern of the porch, and of the houses thereof.

■ and of

■ | the treasuries thereof,

and of

■ the upper

chambers thereof, and of

the inner parlours thereof, and of

the place of the mercy seat,

12. And the pattern of all that he had by the spirit,

of the courts of the house of the LORD, and of all the chambers round about, of the treasuries of the house of God, and of the treasuries of the dedicated things:

13. Also for the courses of the priests and the Levites, and for all the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and for all the vessels of service in the house of the LORD.

■ 14. **He gave** of gold by weight for *things* of

gold, for all instruments of all manner of service; silver

also for all instruments of

■ silver by weight,

for all instruments of every kind

■ of service:

15. Even the weight

for the candlesticks of gold, and for their lamps of gold, by weight for every candlestick, and for the lamps thereof: and for the candlesticks of silver by weight, both for the candlestick, and also for the lamps thereof, according to the use of every candlestick.

16. And by weight he gave gold for

the tables of shewbread, for every table; and *likewise* silver for the tables of silver:

17. Also pure gold for

■ the fleshhooks, and the

bowls, and the

cups: and for the golden

basins he gave gold by weight for every bason; and likewise silver by weight for every basin of silver:

18. And for the altar of incense refined gold by weight;
 and gold for the pattern

of the chariot of

the cherubims, that spread out

■ their wings, and

Covered the ark of the

19. All this, said David,
the LORD made me
understand in writing by
his hand upon me.

even all the works of this pattern.

20. And David said to Solomon his son. Be strong

and of good courage, and do it:

fear not, nor be dismayed:

for the LORD God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not

fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of

■ the house of the LORD.

21. And, behold, the courses of the priests and the

Levites, even they shall be with thee for all the service of the house of God:

and there shall be with thee for all manner of workmanship

■ every willing

skilful man, for any manner of service:

also the princes and all the people will be wholly at |■| thy commandment.

CHAPTER 29

■ 1. Furthermore David the king

said unto all the congregation.

■ Solomon my son,

■ whom alone

■ God hath chosen, is yet

young and tender,

■ and the work *is* great:

for the palace is not for man, but for the LORD God.

2. Now I have

■ prepared with all my might

for the house of my

■ God the gold for

things to be made of gold, and the

silver for *things* of silver, and the

brass for *things* of brass, the

iron for things of iron, and wood for things of wood:

onyx stones, and *stones* to be set, glistering stones, and of divers colours.

and all manner of precious stones, and

marble stones in abundance.

3. **Moreover,** because I have set my affection to the house of my God, I have

of mine own proper good, of gold and silver, which

■ I have given

to the house of my God,

over and above all that

I have prepared for the holy house.

■ 4. Even three

■ thousand talents

of gold, of the gold of Ophir,

■ and seven thousand

talents of refined silver, to overlay the walls of the houses withal:

5. The gold for *things* of gold, and the silver for *things* of silver, and for all manner of work to be

made by the hands of artificers. And who then is

willing to consecrate

his service this day unto the LORD?

■ 6. Then the chief of the

■ fathers and

■ princes of the tribes

of Israel and the captains of thousands and of hundreds, with the rulers of the king's work,

■ offered willingly,

7. **And gave** for the service of the house of God of

gold five thousand talents

and ten thousand drams, and of
silver ten thousand talents, and of
brass eighteen thousand talents,

and one hundred

thousand talents of

iron.

■ 8. And they with whom

precious stones were found gave them

to the treasure of the house of the LORD,

by the hand of Jehiel the Gershonite.

9. **Then the people** rejoiced, for that they offered willingly, because with perfect heart they offered willingly to the LORD:

and David the king also rejoiced with great joy.

10. Wherefore David
 10. blessed the LORD before all the congregation: and David said,
 Blessed be thou. LORD God of

Israel our father, for ever and ever.

11. Thine, O LORD is

the greatness, and the power, and the

■ glory, and the

■ victory, and the

majesty: for all that is in the heaven and in the

earth is thine; thine is the kingdom, O LORD, and thou art exalted as head above all.

■ 12. Both riches and honour come of thee, and thou

reignest over all; and in thine hand is power and

might; and in thine hand it is

■ to make great, and to give strength unto all.

13. Now therefore, our God,we thank thee, and praise

thy glorious name.

655 14. But who am I, and what is my people, that we should be able to offer so willingly after this sort? for all things come of thee, and of thine own have we given thee. 15. For we are strangers before thee, and sojourners, as were all our fathers: our days on the earth are as a shadow. and there is none abiding. 16. O LORD our God, all this store that we have prepared to build thee an house for thine holy name cometh of thine hand, and is all thine own. 17. I know also, my God, that thou triest the heart. and hast pleasure in uprightness. As for me. in the uprightness of mine heart I have willingly offered all these things: and now have I seen with joy thy people, which are present here, to offer willingly unto thee. 18. O LORD God of Abraham. Isaac, and of Israel, our fathers. keep this for ever in the imagination of the thoughts of the heart of thy people, and prepare their heart unto thee: 19. And give unto Solomon my son a perfect heart, to keep thy commandments. thy testimonies, and thy statutes, and to do all these things, and to build the palace. for the which I have made provision. 20. And David said to all the congregation, Now bless the LORD your God. And all the congregation blessed the

LORD God of their fathers, and

bowed down

■ their heads, and

worshipped the LORD, and the king. 21. And they sacrificed sacrifices unto the LORD, and offered burnt offerings unto the LORD, on the morrow after that day, even a thousand bullocks. a thousand rams, and a thousand lambs, with their drink offerings, and sacrifices in abundance for all Israel: 22. And did eat and drink before the LORD on that day with great gladness. And they made Solomon the son of David king the second time. and anointed him unto the LORD to be the chief governor, and Zadok to be priest. 23. Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as kina instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him. 24. And all the princes, and the mighty men, and all the sons likewise of king David, submitted themselves unto Solomon the king. 25. And the LORD magnified Solomon exceedingly in the sight of all Israel. and bestowed upon him **such** roval majesty as had not been on any king before him in Israel. 26. Thus David the son of Jesse reigned over all Israel. 27. And the time that he reigned over Israel was forty years; seven **Vears** reigned he in Hebron, and thirty and three years reigned he in Jerusalem. 28. And he died in a good old age, full of days, riches, and honour: and Solomon his son reigned in his stead. 29. Now the acts of David the king, first and last, behold, they

- are written in the book of Samuel the seer.
- and in the book of Nathan
- the prophet, and in the book of Gad the seer,
 - 30. With all his reign and his might, and the times that went over him, and over Israel, and over all the kingdoms of the countries.

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CHAPTER 1

- IN 1. And Solomon
 - the son of David
 was strengthened
 in his kingdom.
- **and** the LORD his
- God was with him, and
 - magnified him exceedingly.
 - 2. Then Solomon spake unto all Israel, to the captains of thousands and of hundreds, and to the judges, and to every governor in all Israel, the chief of the fathers.
- So Solomon, and all
 the congregation with him
- the congregation with him,
 went to the high place that was at
 - Gibeon; for there was the tabernacle of the congregation of
- God, which Moses the servant of the LORD had made in the wilderness.
- 4. But the ark of God
 had David brought
- up from Kirjath-jearim
- to the place which David had prepared for it: for he had pitched a tent for it at

Jerusalem.

- 5. Moreover the brasen altar, that Bezaleel the son of Uri, the son of Hur, had made, he put before the tabernacle of the LORD: and Solomon and the congregation sought unto it.
- 6. And Solomon went up thither
 - to the brasen altar before the LORD, which was at the tabernacle of the congregation.
- and offered a thousand burnt offerings upon it.
- 7. In that night did God
 appear unto Solomon,
- and said unto him,
- Ask what I shall give thee.

 8. And Solomon said unto
 - God, Thou hast shewed great mercy unto David my father, and hast made me to reign in his stead.
 - 9. Now, O LORD God,
- let thy promise unto
- David my father
 - **be established;** for thou hast made me king over a people like the dust of the earth in multitude.

- 10. Give me now
- wisdom and knowledge,
 that I may go out and come in
 - before this people: for who can
 - people, that is so great?
 - 11. And God said to Solomon, Because this was in thine heart, and
- thou hast not asked
- riches, wealth, or honour,
- **nor** the life of thine enemies, neither yet hast asked
- long life; but hast asked wisdom and knowledge for thyself, that thou mayest judge my people, over whom I have made thee king:
- 12. Wisdom and knowledge is aranted unto thee:
- and I will give thee riches.
- and wealth, and honour, such as
 - none of the kings have
 - had that have been before thee.
- before thee,neither shall there
- any after thee have the like.
 - 13. Then Solomon came
 - from his journey to the high place that was at Gibeon
- to Jerusalem, from before the tabernacle of the congregation.
- and reigned over Israel.
- 14. **And Solomon** gathered chariots and horsemen: and he
- had a thousand and four hundred chariots, and twelve thousand
- horsemen, which he placed in the chariot
- cities, and with the king
- at Jerusalem.
 - 15. And the king made silver and gold at Jerusalem *as plenteous* as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the vale for abundance.
 - 16. And Solomon had horses brought out of Egypt, and linen yarn: the king's merchants received the linen yarn at a price.
 - 17. And they fetched up, and brought forth out of Egypt a chariot for six hundred *shekels* of silver, and an horse for an hundred and fifty: and so brought they out *horses* for all

the kings of the Hittites, and for the kings of Syria, by their means.

CHAPTER 2

- L 1 And Solomon determined to build an
- house for the name of ■ the LORD, and an house

for his kingdom.

- 2. And Solomon told out threescore and ten thousand men to bear burdens, and fourscore thousand to hew in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred to oversee them
- 3. And Solomon sent to Huram the king of Tyre, saying,

As thou didst deal with David my lather, and didst send him cedars to build him an house to dwell therein, even so deal with me.

4. Behold, I build an house to the name of

the LORD my God, to dedicate it to him, and to burn before him sweet incense, and for the continual shewbread, and for the burnt offerings morning and evening, on the sabbaths, and on the new moons, and on the solemn feasts of the LORD our God. This is an ordinance for ever to Israel

5. And the house which I build is great:

for great is our God above all gods.

6. But who is able to build him an house, seeing the heaven and heaven of heavens cannot contain him? who П

am I then, that I should build him an house. save only to burn

sacrifice before him? 7. **Send me** now therefore

a man cunning to work in

gold, and in silver, and in

brass, and in

iron, and in purple, and crimson, and blue, and that

can skill to grave with the

cunning men that are with me in Judah and in Jerusalem, whom David my father did provide.

8 Send me also cedar.

trees, fir trees, and algum trees. out of Lebanon: for I know that thy servants can skill to cut timber in Lebanon: and, behold, my servants shall be with thy servants.

Even to prepare me timber in abundance: for the

house which I am about to build shall be wonderful

areat.

10. And, behold,

I will give to thy servants.

the hewers that cut timber, twenty thousand measures of beaten

wheat, and twenty thousand measures of barley, and twenty

thousand baths of wine, and twenty

thousand baths of oil.

> 11. Then Huram the king of Tyre answered in writing,

which he sent to Solomon, Because the LORD hath loved his people, he hath made thee king over them.

12. Huram said moreover, Blessed be the LORD God of Israel, that made heaven and earth, who hath given to David the king a wise son, endued with prudence and understanding. that might build an house for the LORD, and an house for his kingdom.

13. And now

I have sent a cunning man, endued with

understandina, of

Huram my father's,

14. The son of a woman of the daughters of Dan, and his father was a man of Tyre.

skilful to work in gold, and in

silver. in brass, in

iron, in stone, and in timber, in purple, in blue,

and in fine linen, and in crimson; also to grave any manner of graving, and to find out every device which

shall be put to him, with thy cunning men, and with the cunning men of my lord David thy father.

- 15. **Now** therefore
- the wheat, and the
- barley, the
- oil, and the
- wine, which my lord hath spoken of. let him send
 - unto his servants:
- 16. And we will cut
- wood out of Lebanon, as
- and we will
- **bring if** to thee in floats by sea to Joppa:
- and thou shalt carry itup to Jerusalem.
 - 17. And Solomon numbered all the strangers that were in the land of Israel, after the numbering wherewith David his father had numbered them; and they were found an hundred and fifty thousand and three thousand and six hundred.
 - 18. And he set threescore and ten thousand of them to be bearers of burdens, and fourscore thousand to be hewers in the mountain, and three thousand and six hundred overseers to set the people a work.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Then Solomon began to ■ 1 build the house of the LORD
- at Jerusalem in mount
- Moriah, where the Lord appeared unto David his father, in the place that David had prepared in the threshingfloor of Ornan the Jebusite.
 - 2. And he began to build
- in the second day of the second month, in the
- | fourth year of his reign.
- 3. **Now** these are the things wherein
- Solomon was
- instructed for the
- **building** of
- the house of God.
- The length by cubits after the first measure was
- threescore cubits, and the
 - breadth twenty cubits.

- 4. **And the porch** that was in the front of the house, the length of it
- **Was** according to the breadth of the house.
- twenty cubits, and
- the height was
- an hundred and
- twenty: and he
- overlaid it
- within with pure
- gold.
- 5. And the greater house he
- cieled with fir tree, which he
- overlaid with fine
- **gold,** and set thereon palm trees and chains.
 - 6. And he
- garnished the house with precious stones

for beauty: and the gold was gold of Parvaim.

- 7. He overlaid also the house, the beams, the posts, and the walls thereof, and the doors thereof,
- With gold; and
- graved cherubims
- on the walls.
- 8. And he made the
- most holy house, the length whereof was according to the breadth of the house, twenty cubits.
- and the breadth thereof
- | twenty cubits: and he
- overlaid it
- | with fine
- gold, amounting to
- six hundred talents.
- 9. And the weight of
- the nails was
- fifty shekels of gold.
 And he overlaid the upper

chambers with gold.

- 10. And in the most holy house he made two cherubims
- of image work, and
- overlaid themwith gold.
- 11. And the wings of the
 - cherubims were
- twenty cubits long: one wing of the one cherub was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing was likewise

five cubits, reaching to the wing of the other cherub.

- 12. And *one* wing of the other cherub was five cubits, reaching to the wall of the house: and the other wing was five cubits also, joining to the wing of the other cherub.
- 13. The wings of these cherubims spread themselves forth twenty cubits: and they stood on their feet.
- and their faces wereinward.
 - 14. And he made the vail of blue, and purple, and crimson, and
- fine linen, and wrought cherubims thereon.
- 15. **Also he made** before the house
- two pillars of
- thirty and
 five cubits high, and the chapiter that was on the top of each of them was five cubits.
- 16. And he made chains, as in the oracle, and put them
- on the heads of the pillars; and made
- an hundred
- pomegranates, and put themon the chains.
- on the chains.

 17. And he reared up the
 - pillars before the temple, one on the right hand, and the other on the left
- and called the name of that
 on the right hand Jachin,
 and the
- name of that on

 the left Booz

CHAPTER 4

- 1. Moreover he made an altar of brass, twenty
 cubits the length thereof.
- Cubits the length thereof,
 and twenty cubits the
- breadth thereof.
- and ten cubits the
- height thereof.
- 2. Also he made a molten sea of ten cubits from brim
- to brim, round in compass,
- and five cubits the height

thereof; and a line of thirty cubits did compass it round about.

3. And under if was the similitude of oxen, which did compass it round about: ten in a cubit, compassing the sea round about. Two rows of oxen were

4. It stood upon

cast, when it was cast.

the north, and three looking toward the north, and three looking toward the west, and three looking toward the south, and three looking toward the east: and the sea was set above upon them, and

all their hinder parts were inward.

- 5. And the thickness of it was an handbreadth, and the brim of it
- and the brim of it like the work of the brim of

a cup, with flowers of lilies;

and it received and

held three thousand baths.
 6. He made also ten layers.

- He made also ten lavers, and put five on the right hand, and five on the left,
- to wash in them: such things as they offe
 - things as they offered for the burnt offering
 - they washed in them;

but the sea was for the priests to wash in.

7. And he made ten candlesticks of gold

according to their form, and set *them* in the temple, five on the right hand, and five on the left.

8. He made

also ten tables, and placed them in the temple, five on the right side, and five on the left.

■ And he made

an hundred basons of gold.

9. Furthermore he made
 the court of the priests,
 and the great court, and

doors for the court, and
 overlaid the doors of them
 with brass.

10. And he set the sea on the right side of the east end.

- over against the south.
- 11. And Huram made the
- pots, and the
- shovels, and the
- basins. And Huram
- finished the work that he was to make for king Solomon for

the house of God:

- 12. To wit, the two pillars, and the pommels, and the chapiters which were on the top of the two pillars, and the two wreaths to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which were on the top of the pillars;
- And four hundred pomegranates on the two wreaths: two rows of pomegranates on each wreath, to cover the two pommels of the chapiters which were upon the pillars.
- 14. He made also bases, and lavers made he upon the bases:
- 15. One sea, and twelve oxen under it
- 16. The pots also, and the shovels. and the fleshhooks, and all their instruments, did Huram his father make to king Solomon for the house of the LORD of bright brass.
- 17. In the plain of Jordan did the king cast them, in the clay ground between Succoth and Zeredathah.
- 18. Thus Solomon
- made all these

- vessels in great
- abundance: for
- the weight of the brass
- could not be found out.
- 19. And Solomon
- made all the
- vessels that were
- for the house of God.
- **the** golden
- altar also
- and the tables whereon
- the shewbread was set:
 - 20. Moreover the
 - candlesticks with their lamps. that they should burn after the manner before the oracle, of pure gold:
- 21. **And** the
- | flowers, and the
 - lamps, and
 - I the tongs, made he of

- gold, and that perfect gold:
- 22. And the
- snuffers, and
- the basins, and the
 - spoons, and the
 - censers, of pure gold; and the entry of the house, the inner doors thereof for the most holy place.
- and the doors of the house
- of the temple, were of gold.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 Thus all the work
 - that Solomon made for
- the house of the LORD was finished: and
- e i Solomon brought in all
- e i the things that
- David his father
- had dedicated; and
- the silver, and the
- gold, and all the
- instruments, put he
- amona the treasures of the house of God
 - 2 Then Solomon
- assembled the
 - elders of Israel, and
- all the heads of the tribes, the chief. of the fathers of the children of
- Israel, unto Jerusalem, to bring up the ark of
- the covenant of the LORD
- **out of** the city of David, which is Zion.
 - Wherefore all the men of Israel. assembled themselves unto the king in the feast which was in the seventh month.
 - 4 And all the elders of Israel came: and the Levites took up the ark.
 - 5. And they brought up the ark, and the tabernacle of the congregation, and all the holy vessels that were in the tabernacle, these did the priests and the Levites bring up.
 - Also king Solomon,
- and all the congregation of
- **Israel** that were assembled unto him before the ark.
- sacrificed sheep and
 - oxen, which could
- not be told nor

- numbered for multitude. 7. And the priests brought in
- the ark of the covenant of the LORD unto his place, to the oracle of the house.
 - into the most holy
- place, even
- under the winas of the cherubims:
 - 8. For the cherubims spread forth their wings over the place of the ark, and the cherubims covered the ark and the staves thereof above. 9. And they drew out the staves of
 - the ark, that the ends of the slaves. were seen from the ark before the oracle; but they were not seen without. And there it is unto this day.
 - 10. There was nothing
- in the ark save

- the two tables which
- Moses put therein at
 - Horeb, when the LORD made a covenant with the children of Israel.
- when they came out of Egypt.
- 11. And it came to pass.
- when the priests were come out of the holy place.

(for all the priests that were present were sanctified, and did not then wait by course:

- 12. Also the Levites which were the singers, all of them of Asaph, of Heman, of Jeduthun, with their sons and their brethren.
- being arrayed in white linen, having cymbals and psalteries and harps. stood at the east end of the
- altar, and with them an hundred and twenty priests
 - sounding with trumpets:) 13. It came even to pass, as the trumpeters and singers were as one. to make one sound to be heard in
- praising and thanking the LORD: and when they lifted up their voice with the trumpets and cymbals and instruments of music. and praised the LORD, saying, For he is good; for his mercy

endureth for ever that

- then the house was filled
- with a cloud, even the house of the LORD:
- 14. So that the priests
- could not stand to
- minister by reason of the cloud:
- for the glory of the LORD
 - had filled the house of God.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Then said Solomon, The
 - LORD hath said that
- he would dwell in the thick
 - darkness.
- 2. But I have built an house of habitation for thee, and a place
 - for thy dwelling for ever. 3. And the king turned his face.
 - and blessed the whole congregation of Israel: and all the congregation of Israel stood.
- 4. And he said, Blessed
 - be the LORD
- God of Israel, who
- hath with his hands
- fulfilled that which
- he spake with his mouth
 - to my father

- David, saving.
 - 5. Since the day that
- I brought forth
- my people out of the land of Egypt I chose no city among
 - all the tribes of Israel
- to build an house in.
- that my name might be there;
- neither chose I any man to be a ruler over my people
 - Israel:
 - But I have chosen Jerusalem. that my name might be there; and have chosen David to be over my people Israel.
- 7. Now it was in the heart
- of David my father
- to build an house
- for the name of
- the LORD God of Israel.
- But the LORD said to
- David my father, Forasmuch as it was in thine heart to build an house for my name, thou didst well in that it was in thine heart:

- 9. Notwithstanding
- thou shalt not build the
- house: but thy son which
 - shall come forth out of thy loins, he **shall** build the house for my name.
- 10. The LORD therefore
- hath performed his
- word that he hath spoken:
- for I am risen up in the room of David my father, and am set on the throne of Israel, as the LORD promised, and
- have built the house
- for the name of
- the LORD God of Israel
- 11. And in it have I put the
 - ark, wherein is the covenant of the LORD, that he made with the children of Israel.
- 12 And he stood before the altar. of the LORD in the presence of all the congregation of Israel. and spread forth his hands:
 - 13 For
- Solomon had
 - made a brasen scaffold. of five cubits long, and five cubits
 - broad, and three cubits high,
- and had
- set it in the midst of
- the court: and upon it he stood.
- and kneeled down upon
 - his knees
- before all
- the congregation of Israel.
- and spread forth
- his hands toward heaven.
- 14. And said. O
- LORD God of Israel.
- there is no God like thee in the heaven, nor in the earth;
- which keepest covenant, ■ and shewest mercy
- unto thy servants, that walk before thee with
- all their hearts:
 - 15. Thou which hast kept with thy servant David my father that which thou hast promised him; and spakest with thy mouth, and hast fulfilled it with thine hand, as it is this day.
- Now therefore.
 - O LORD God of Israel.
 - keep with thy servant

- David my father
- **-** 1 that which thou hast
- promised him.
- saying, There shall
 - not fail thee
- a man in my sight to sit
- upon the throne of Israel:
- yet so that thy children take
- heed to their way to walk in my law, as thou hast
 - walked before me.
 - 17. Now then, O LORD God of Israel.
- let thy word be verified. which thou hast spoken
 - unto thy servant David. 18. But will God in very deed
- dwell with men on the
- earth? hehold, heaven and the
 - heaven of heavens
- cannot contain thee: how
- much less this house
 - which I have built!
- 19. Have respect therefore to the prayer of thy servant.
 - and to his supplication, O LORD my God, to hearken unto the cry and the prayer which thy servant prayeth before thee:
- 20. That thine eyes
 - may be open
- upon this house day and
 - **night**, upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name there; to hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth toward this place.
- 21. **Hearken** therefore
- unto the supplications of thy servant, and of thy people
- Israel, which they shall make toward this place:
- hear thou from thy dwelling
- place, even from heaven;
- and when thou hearest.
- forgive.
- 22. **If a man sin** against
 - his neighbour, and an oath be laid upon him to make him swear.
- and the oath
- come before thine altar in
 - this house:
- 23. Then hear thou

- from heaven, and do. and judge thy servants. by requiting the
- wicked, by recompensing his way upon his own head;
 - and by
- justifying the righteous, by giving him according to
 - his righteousness. 24. And if thy people
- Israel be put to the worse before the enemy, because
 - they have sinned against thee:
- and shall return and confess
- thy name, and pray and make supplication before thee in this house:
- 25 **Then hear** thou from the heavens.
- and forgive the sin of thy people Israel.
- and bring them again unto
- the land which thou gavest to them and to their fathers.
- 26. When the heaven is shut up, and
- there is no rain, because they have sinned against thee: *yet* if they
- pray toward this place, and
- confess thy name.
- and turn from their sin.
 - when thou dost afflict them:
- 27. **Then** hear thou from heaven, and
- forgive the sin of thy servants, and of thy people Israel, when thou hast taught them the good way, wherein they should walk:
- and send rain upon thy land, which thou hast given unto thy people for an inheritance.
- 28. If there be dearth in the land, if there he
- pestilence, if there be
- blasting, or
- mildew, locusts, or caterpillers; if their
- enemies besiege them in the cities of
- their land; whatsoever sore or whatsoever sickness there be:
 - 29. Then what prayer or what

- supplication soever
- shall be made of any man, or of all thy people Israel, when every one shall know his own sore and his own grief, and shall spread forth his hands
- in this house:
- 30. Then hear thou from
- heaven thy dwelling place,
- and forgive, and render unto every man according unto all his ways, whose heart thou knowest: (for thou only knowest the hearts of the children of men:)
- 31. That they may fear thee, to walk in thy ways, so long as they live in the land which thou gavest unto our fathers.
- 32. Moreover concerning the stranger, which is not of thy people Israel, but is come
 - from a far country for thy great name's sake, and thy mighty hand, and thy stretched out arm;
- if they come and pray in this house:
- -33. Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place,
- and do accordina to all that the stranger
- calleth to thee for:
- that all people of the earth may know thy name.
- and fear thee, as doth thy people Israel, and may know that this house which I have built is called by thy name.
- 34. If thy people go out to war against their enemies by the way that thou shalt send them,
- and they pray unto thee
- toward this city which thou hast chosen, and the house which I have built for thy name:
- 35. Then hear thou from the heavens
- their prayer and their supplication.
- and maintain their cause.
 - 36. If they sin against thee,
- (for there is
 - no man which
 - sinneth not.) and thou be

angry with them, and

■ deliver them over before

- their enemies, and they carry them away captives unto a land far off or near;
- 37. Yet if they bethink themselves in the land whither they are carried captive, and
- turn and pray unto thee in
 the land of their captivity,
 saying, We have sinned,

we have done amiss, and have dealt wickedly:

- 38. If they return to thee with
- Soul in the land of their captivity, whither they have carried them captives, and pray toward their land, which thou gavest unto their fathers, and toward the city which thou hast chosen, and toward the house which I have built for thy name:
- 39. Then hear thou from the heavens, even from thy dwelling place,
- their prayer and their supplications, and maintain their cause,
- and forgive thy people which have sinned against thee.
- 40. Now, my God, let, I beseech thee, thine eyes be open, and let thine ears be
- attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.
- made in this plant in the plant in this plant in the plan
- arise, O LORD God.
- into thy resting place,
- thou, and the ark of thy strength: let thy priests, O LORD God, be clothed with salvation,
- and let thy saints
- rejoice in goodness.
- 42. O LORD God,
- turn not away the face of thine anointed: remember the mercies of David thy servant.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Now when Solomon had
- made an end of praying, the
- fire came down from
- heaven, and consumed the

- burnt offering and the sacrifices;
 and the glory of the LORD
 filled the house.
 - 2. And the priests could not enter into the house of the LORD, because the glory of the LORD had filled the LORD's house.
- 3. And when all the children of
- Israel saw how
- the fire came down,
 and the alory of the
- and the glory of the LORD upon the house.
- they bowed themselves with their faces to the ground upon the payement.
- and worshipped, andpraised the LORD, saying,

For *he is* good; for his mercy endureth for ever.

- 4. Then the king and all the people offered sacrifices before the LORD.
- 5. And king
- Solomon offered a
- sacrifice of twenty and two thousand oxen.
- and an hundred and

twenty thousand sheep: so the king and all the people

- dedicated the house of God.

 6. And the priests waited
 on their offices: the Levites
- also with instruments
- of music of the LORD,
- which David the king had made to praise the LORD,

because his mercy endureth for ever, when David praised by their ministry; and the priests sounded trumpets

- before them, and all Israel stood.
 7. Moreover Solomon
- hallowed the middle of the
- **court** that was before the house of the LORD: for
- there he offered burnt
- offerings, and the fat of the peace offerings,
- because the brasen
- altar which Solomon had made
- was not able to receive the
 - burnt offerings, and the meat offerings, and the fat.
 - 8. Also at the same time
 - Solomon kept the feast

- seven days, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt.
- 9. And in the eighth day they made a Solemn assembly:

for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days.

10. And on the three and twentieth day of the

seventh month he sent

the people away

into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the LORD had shewed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.

11. Thus Solomon finished the house of the LORD, and

the king's house; and all that came into Solomon's heart to make in the house of the LORD, and in his own house, he prosperously effected.

12. And the LORD appeared to Solomon by night.

and said unto him.

I have heard thy

prayer, and have chosen this place to myself

. for an house of sacrifice.

13. If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or it is

command the locusts to devour the land, or if I

send pestilence

among my people:

14. If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves.

and pray, and seek my face.

and turn from their

wicked ways; then

will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will

heal their land. 15. Now mine eyes shall be open,

and mine ears attent unto the prayer that is made in this place.

16. For now have

■ I chosen and

sanctified this house, that my name may be there for ever: and mine eyes and mine

heart shall be there perpetually. 17. And as for thee, if thou

wilt walk before me. as David thy father walked, and do according to all that I have commanded thee, and shalt observe my statutes and my judgments;

18. Then will I stablish the throne of thy kingdom. according as I have covenanted with

David thy father, saving. There shall not fail thee a man to be ruler in Israel.

19. But if ve turn away. and forsake my statutes and my commandments. which I have set before you. and shall on and

serve other gods. and worship them:

20. Then will I pluck

them up by the roots

out of my land which I have given them:

and this house, which I have sanctified for my name.

will I cast out of my sight. and will make it to be a proverb and a byword among all nations.

21. And this house. which is high.

shall be an astonishment to every one that passeth by it:

SO that

he shall say, Why hath the LORD done thus unto

this land, and unto this house?

22. And it shall be answered. Because they

forsook the LORD God of their fathers, which brought them forth out of the land of Egypt,

and laid hold on other

gods, and worshipped them, and served them: therefore hath he brought all this evil upon them.

CHAPTER 8

1. And it came to pass

at the end of twenty years. wherein Solomon had built the house of the LORD, and his own house.

2. That

the cities which Huram had

- restored to Solomon,
 Solomon built them,
 and caused the children of
 Israel to dwell there.

 3. And Solomon went to
- Hamath-zobah, and prevailed against it.
- 4 And he built
- Tadmor in the wilderness,
- and all
- the store cities, which he built in Hamath.
- 5. Also he built
- Beth-horon the upper, and Bethhoron the nether, fenced cities, with walls, gates, and bars;
- 6. And Baalath, and all the store cities that Solomon had,
- and all

- the chariot cities, and the cities of the horsemen,
- and all that Solomon
 desired to build in
 Jerusalem, and in
 - **Lebanon**, and throughout all the land of his dominion.
- 7. **As for** all
- the people that were left of the Hittites, and the Amorites, and the Perizzites, and the Hivites, and the Jebusites, which were
- 8. But of their children, who were
 - 8. But of their children, who were left after them in the land, whom the children of Israel consumed not,
- them did Solomon maketo pay tribute until this day.
- 9. **But** of the children
- of Israel did Solomon
 make no servants for his work:
 - but they were men of
- WOI, and chief of his captains, and captains of his chariots and horsemen.
- 10. **And** these were
- | the chief of king Solomon's
- officers, even two hundred and fifty, that bare rule
- over the people.
- 11. And Solomon brought up the daughter of Pharaoh
 out of the city of David
 - unto the house

that he had

- built for her: for he said, Mywife shall not dwell in the
- house of David king of Israel,
 because the places
- because the placesare holy, whereunto the
 - ark of the LORD hath come.
- 12. Then Solomon offered burnt offerings unto the LORD
 - on the altar of the LORD, which he had built before the porch,
 - 13. Even after a certain rate every day, offering
- according to the commandment of Moses, on the sabbaths, and on the new
 - moons, and on the solemn feasts, three times in the year, even in the feast of unleavened bread, and in the feast of weeks, and in the feast of tabernacles.
- 14. And he appointed, according to the order of David his father, the courses of the
- priests to their service,
- and the
- Levites to their charges, to praise and
- minister before the
- priests, as the duty of every day required: the porters also by their courses at every gate: for so had David the man of God commanded.
- 15. And they departed not from the commandment of
 - **the king** unto the priests and Levites concerning any matter, or concerning the treasures.
- 16. Now all the work of Solomon was prepared
 - unto the day of the foundation
- of the house of the LORD, and until it
- LORD, and until it was finished. So the house
- of the LORD was perfected.
- 17. Then went
- Solomon to Ezion-geber, and to
- Eloth, at the sea
- side in the land of Edom.
- 18. And Huram sent him by the hands of his servants
- ships, and servants that

- had knowledge of the
- sea; and they went with the servants of Solomon
- to Ophir, and took thence
- four hundred and fifty
- talents of gold, and brought them to king Solomon.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame
- of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard
- questions at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bare spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones:
- and when she was come to Solomon.
- she communed with him of
- and Solomon told her
- all her questions: and there was nothing hid from Solomon which he told her not
- 3. And when the
- queen of Sheba
- had seen the wisdom
- of Solomon, and the house that he had built.
 - 4. And the meat of his table, and the sitting of his servants, and the attendance of his ministers, and their apparel; his cupbearers also, and their apparel; and his ascent by which he went up into the house of the LORD:
- there was no more spirit in her.
- 5. And she said to the king,
- It was a
 - I frue report
 - which I heard in mine own land
- of thine acts, and of thy
- wisdom:
- 6. Howbeit I believed
- **not** their words,
- until I came, and mine
- eyes had seen it.
- and, behold, the one
- half of the greatness of thy wisdom was not told me: for

thou exceedest the fame that I heard.

- 7. Happy are thy men, and happy are these thy servants, which stand continually before thee, and hear thy wisdom.
- 8. Blessed be the LORD thy God, which delighted in thee to set thee on his throne, to be king for the LORD thy God: because thy God loved Israel, to establish them for ever. therefore made he thee king over
- them, to do judgment and justice.

 9. And she gave the king an hundred and twenty talents
 of gold, and of
- Spices great abundance,
 - and precious stones: neither was there any such spice as the queen of Sheba gave king Solomon.
- 10. And the servants also of Huram, and the servants of Solomon, which brought gold from Ophir.
- brought algum treesand precious stones.
- 11. And the king made of the algum frees terraces to the house of the LORD, and to the

king's palace, and harps and psalteries for singers; and there were none such seen before in the land of Judah.

- 12. **And** king Solomon
 - gave to

- the queen of Sheba all her desire, whatsoever she asked, beside that which she had brought unto the king.
- So she turned, and
- went away
 to her ow
 - to her own land, she
 - and her servants.
- 13. Now the weight of gold that came to Solomon
 in one year was six
- hundred and
- threescore and six
- | talents of gold:
- 14. Beside that which
 - chapmen and
 - merchants brought. And all the kings of Arabia and
 - governors of the country

■ brought gold and silver to Solomon.
■ 15. And king

Solomon made two hundred targets of beaten gold: six

hundred *shekels* of beaten gold went to one target.

■ 16. **And** three hundred

shields made he

■ *of* beaten

gold: three hundred *shekels* of gold went to one shield. And the king put them in the house of the forest of Lebanon.

■ 17. Moreover the king made a great

throne of ivory, and

overlaid itwith pure

■ gold.

18. And there were

six steps to the throne, with a footstool of

gold, which were fastened to the throne, and stays on each side of the sitting place, and two lions standin

and two lions standing by the stays:

19. And twelve lions stood there on the one side and on the other upon the six steps. There was not the like made in any kingdom.

20. And all the drinking vessels of king

Solomon were of gold,

and all the vessels of the house

of the forest of Lebanon
 were of pure gold: none
 were of silver; it was not any thing
 accounted of in the days of Solomon.

21. For the king's ships went to Tarshish with the servants of Huram:

every three years once came the ships of

Tarshish bringing gold,
and silver, ivory, and

apes, and peacocks.

■ 22. And king

Solomon passed all the kings of the earth in riches and wisdom.

23. And all the kings of

I the earth sought the

presence of Solomon.

to hear his wisdom, that
God had put in his heart.
24. And they brought every

man his present, vessels of silver, and vessels of gold, and raiment, harness, and spices, horses, and mules, a rate year by year.

and mules, a rate year by year.

25. And Solomon had four thousand stalls for horses and chariots, and twelve thousand horsemen; whom he bestowed in the chariot cities, and with the king at Jerusalem.

26. And he reigned over
all the kings from the
river even unto the land
of the Philistines, and to
the border of Egypt.

27. And the king made silver in Jerusalem as stones, and cedar trees made he as the sycomore trees that *are* in the low plains in abundance.

28. And they brought unto Solomon horses out of Egypt, and out of all lands.

29. Now the rest of the acts of Solomon, first and last.

are they not

written in the book

of Nathan the prophet,

and in the prophecy of Ahiiah the Shilonite.

and in the visions of

■ Iddo the seer against

Jeroboam the son of Nebat?

30. And Solomon reigned in Jerusalem

reigned in Jerus
over all

■ Israel forty years.

■ 31. And Solomon slept with his fathers.

■ and he

was buried in the city

■ of David his father:

■ and Rehoboam his

son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 10

■ 1. And Rehoboam went to ■ 1. Shechem: for to Shechem

were all Israel come to

ı make him king.

■ 2. **And** it came to pass,

671 when Jeroboam the son of Nebat. \blacksquare who was in Equal. whither he fled from the presence of Solomon the king. heard it, that Jeroboam returned out of Egypt. 3. And they sent and called him. So Jeroboam and all Israel came and spake to Rehoboam. saying, 4. Thy father made our yoke arievous: now therefore ease thou somewhat **the** arievous servitude of thy father, and his heavy voke that he put upon us. and we will serve thee. 5. And he said unto them. Come again unto me after three days. And the people departed. 6. And king Rehoboam took counsel with the old men that had stood before Solomon his father while he yet lived, saying, What counsel give ye me to return answer to this people? 7. And they spake unto him. saying, If thou be kind to this people. and please them, and speak good words to them. they will be thy servants for ever 8. But he forsook the counsel which the old men gave him, and took counsel with the young men that were brought up with him, that stood before him. 9. And he said unto them. What advice give ye that we may return answer to this people, which have

spoken to me, saying, Ease

somewhat the yoke that thy

10. And the young men

that were brought up with him

father did put upon us?

spake unto him.

II CHRONICLES 10 saying. Thus shalt thou answer the people that spake unto thee, saving. Thy father made our voke heavy, but make thou it somewhat lighter for us; thus shalt thou say unto them, My little finger shall be thicker than my father's loins. 11. For whereas my father put a heavy voke upon you. I will put more to your voke: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions. 12. So Jeroboam and all the people came to Rehoboam on the third day, as the king bade, saving, Come again to me on the third day. 13. And the king answered them roughly; and king Rehoboam forsook the counsel of the old men. And answered them. after the advice of the young men, saying, My father made your yoke heavy, but I will add thereto: my father chastised you with whips, but I will chastise you with scorpions. 15. So the king hearkened not unto the people: for the cause was of God. that the LORD might perform his word. which he spake by the hand of Ahiiah the Shilonite to Jeroboam the son of Nebat. And when all Israel saw that the king would not hearken unto them, the people answered the king. saying, What portion have we in David? and we have none inheritance in the son of Jesse: every man to your tents. O Israel: and now. David, see to thine own house. So all Israel went to their tents. 17. But as for the children

of Israel that dwelt in

the cities of Judah.

Rehoboam reigned

- over them.
- 18. Then king
- Rehoboam sent Hadoram ■ that was over the tribute:
- and the children of
- I Israel stoned him with stones, that he died. But king
- Rehoboam made speed to get him up to his chariot.
- to flee to Jerusalem.
- 19. And Israel rebelled against the house of
- David unto this dav.

CHAPTER 11

- 1 1. And when Rehoboam was come to Jerusalem.
- he aathered of the house
- of Judah and Benjamin
- an hundred and
- fourscore thousand

chosen men, which were

- warriors, to fight against
- Israel, that he might bring the kingdom again to Rehoboam.
- 2. But the word of the LORD
- came to Shemaiah the man of God, saying,
- 3 Speak unto Rehoboam the son of Solomon, king of
 - Judah, and to all Israel in Judah and Benjamin, saving.
- 4. Thus saith the LORD, ■ Ye shall not go up, nor
- fight against your brethren:

return every man to his house: for this thing is done of me.

- And they obeyed the words of the LORD, and returned from going against Jeroboam.
- 5. And Rehoboam dwelt in ■ Jerusalem, and built cities

for defence in Judah.

- 6. **He built** even
- Beth-lehem, and
- Etam, and
- Tekoa.
- 7. And
- Beth-zur, and
- Shoco, and
- Adullam.
- 8. And
- Gath, and

- Mareshah, and
- Ziph.
 - 9. And
- Adoraim, and
- Lachish, and
 - Azekah.
 - 10. And
- Zorah, and
- Aijalon, and Hebron,

which are in Judah and in Beniamin fenced cities.

- And he fortified the strong holds. and put captains in them, and store of victual, and of oil and wine.
- 12. And in every several city he put shields and spears, and made them exceeding strong, having Judah and Benjamin on his side.
- 13. And the priests and the
- Levites that
 - Were in all Israel
- resorted to him out
 - of all their coasts
- 14. For the Levites left their
- suburbs and their possession, and came to Judah

and Jerusalem:

- for Jeroboam and his sons
 - had cast them off from executing the priest's
- office unto the LORD:
- And he ordained him.
- priests for the
- high places, and for the devils, and for the
- calves which he had
- made.
- 16 And after them out of all the tribes of Israel
- such as set their hearts to seek the LORD God of Israel
- came to Jerusalem, to
- sacrifice unto the LORD
- God of their fathers.
- 17. So they strengthened the kingdom of
- Judah, and made
- Rehoboam the son of Solomon
- strong, three years: for three years they walked in the way of David and Solomon.
- 18. And Rehoboam took him
- Mahalath the daughter of

Jerimoth the son of David to wife, and Abihail the daughter of Eliab the son of Jesse:

19. Which bare him

children: Jeush, and Shamariah, and Zaham,

20 And after her

he took Maachah the

daughter of Absalom; П which bare him Abiigh, and

Attai, and Ziza, and Shelomith.

21. And Rehoboam

loved Maachah the

daughter of Absalom

above all his wives and

his concubines: (for he took eighteen wives, and

threescore concubines:

and begat twenty and eight sons, and

threescore daughters.)

22 And Rehoboam made Abiiah

the son of Maachah the chief,

to be ruler among his brethren: for he thought to make him king.

23. And he dealt wisely, and dispersed of all his children throughout all the countries of Judah and Benjamin, unto every fenced city; and he gave them victual in abundance. And he desired many wives.

CHAPTER 12

1. And it came to pass. when Rehoboam had established the kinadom. and had strengthened himself. he forsook the law of the LORD, and all Israel with him.

2. And it came to pass, that

in the fifth year of king Rehoboam Shishak king

of Egypt came up against Jerusalem, because

they had transgressed against the LORD.

3. With twelve hundred chariots. and threescore thousand horsemen: and the people were without number that came with him out of Egypt;

the Lubims, the Sukkiims, and the Ethiopians.

4. And he took the fenced • cities which pertained to Judah.

and came to Jerusalem. Ther came Shemaiah the

prophet to Rehoboam, and to the princes of Judah, that were gathered together to Jerusalem

because of Shishak.

and said unto them.

Thus saith the LORD, Ye have forsaken me, and therefore have I also left you in the hand

of Shishak.

Whereupon the princes

and the king humbled

themselves; and they said. The LORD is righteous.

7. And when the LORD saw that they humbled themselves, the word of the

LORD came to Shemaiah, saying, They have humbled

themselves; therefore I will not destroy them, but I

will grant them some deliverance; and my wrath shall not be poured out upon Jerusalem by the hand of Shishak.

8. Nevertheless they shall be his servants; that they may know my service, and the service of the kingdoms of the countries.

9. So Shishak king of Egypt

came up

against Jerusalem.

and took away

the treasures of the house of the LORD.

and the treasures of

the king's house; he took all: he carried away

also the shields of gold

which Solomon had made. 10. Instead of which king

Rehoboam made shields of brass. and committed them to the hands of the chief of the guard, that kept the entrance of the king's house.

And when

the king entered into

■ I the house of the LORD,

the guard came and fetched them, and brought them again into the guard chamber.

- 12. And when he humbled himself, the wrath of the
- LORD turned from him,
 - that he would not
- destroy him altogether:
- and also in Judah things went well.
 13. So king Rehoboam strengthened himself in Jerusalem, and reigned; for
- Rehoboam was one and forty years old when he began to reign, and he reigned seventeen years

in Jerusalem, the city which the LORD had chosen out of all the tribes of Israel, to put his name there. And his mother's name was Naamah an Ammonitess.

- 14. And he did evil,■ because he prepared not
- his heart to seek the LORD.

 15. Now the acts of Rehoboam, first and last, are they not written in the book of Shemaiah the prophet, and of Iddo the seer concerning
- genealogies?

 And there were wars
 between Rehoboam and
 Jeroboam continually.
- 16. And Rehoboam
- slept with his fathers, and was buried in the city of
- David: and Abijah his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. Now in the eighteenth year of king
- Jeroboam began Abijah
- to reign over Judah.
- 2. He reigned three vears in Jerusalem. His
 - **years** in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Michaiah the daughter of Uriel of Gibeah.
- And there was war between Abijah and Jeroboam.
- 3. And Abiiah set the
- **battle** in array
 - with an army of valiant

men of war, even

- four hundred thousand
 chosen men: Jeroboam
 also set the battle
- with eight hundred thousand chosen men,

in array against him

being mighty men of valour.

- 4. And Abijah stood up
- mount Ephraim, and said,
- Hear me, thou Jeroboam, and all Israel;
 - 5. Ought ye not to know that the LORD
 - God of Israel
 - gave the kingdom over Israel to David for ever,

by a covenant of salt?

- 6. Yet Jeroboam the son of Nebat, the servant of Solomon the son of David, is risen up, and hath rebelled against
- his lord.
- 7. **And** there are gathered unto him vain men,
- the children of Belial, and have strengthened
- have strengthenedthemselves against
 - Rehoboam the son of Solomon, when Rehoboam was young and tenderhearted, and could not withstand them.
- 8. And now ye think to withstand the kingdom of the LORD in the hand of the sons of David;
- and ye be a great
- multitude, and there are with your golden calves, which Jeroboam made you
- for gods.
- 9. Have ye not cast out the priests of the LORD, the sons of Aaron, and the Levites, and have made you priests after the manner
- so that
- whosoever cometh to consecrate himself with a young bullock and seven rams, the same

of the nations of other lands?

may be a priest of them that are

no gods.
10. But as for us,

the LORD is our God, and we have not forsaken him:

and the priests, which minister unto the LORD, are the sons of Aaron, and the Levites wait upon their business: 11. And they burn unto the LORD

every morning and every evening burnt sacrifices and sweet incense: the shewbread also set they in order upon the pure table; and the candlestick of gold with the lamps thereof, to burn every evening; for we

keep the charge of the LORD our God; but ye have forsaken him.

12. And, behold.

God himself

is with us for our captain. and his priests with

sounding trumpets to

CIV alarm

> against you. O children of Israel. fight ve not against the LORD God of your fathers; for ye shall not prosper. 13. But Jeroboam caused

an ambushment to come about behind them: so they were before Judah, and the ambushment

was behind them. 14. And when Judah looked

back, behold, the battle was before and behind: and they cried unto the

LORD, and the priests sounded with the trumpets.

15. Then the men of Judah gave a shout:

and as the men of Judah shouted, it came to pass, that

God smote Jeroboam and

all Israel before Abijah and Judah.

16. And the children of

Israel fled before Judah: and God delivered them

into their hand.

17. And Abijah and his people slew them with a great slaughter:

so there fell down stain of Israel

five hundred thousand chosen men.

18. Thus the children of

Israel were brought under at that time, and the children of Judah prevailed, because they relied upon the LORD God of their fathers.

19. And Abiiah pursued after Jeroboam, and

took cities from him.

Beth-el with the towns thereof, and Jeshanah with the towns thereof.

and Ephraim with the

towns thereof. 20. Neither did Jeroboam recover strength again in the days of Abijah; and

the LORD struck him. and he died.

> 21. But Abijah waxed mighty, and married fourteen wives. and begat twenty and two sons. and sixteen daughters. 22. And the rest of the

acts of Abijah, and his ways, and his savings.

are written in the story of the prophet

Iddo.

CHAPTER 14

1. So Abijah slept

with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David:

and Asa his son reigned in his stead. In his days the land was quiet ten years.

2. And Asa did that which was good and right in the eves of the LORD his God:

3. For he took away the altars of the strange gods, and the high places.

and brake down the **images**, and cut down the groves:

4. And commanded Judah to seek the LORD God of

> their fathers, and to do the law and the commandment.

Also he took away out of all the cities of Judah the high places and the images: and the kingdom was quiet before him.

And he built fenced cities

- in Judah: for the land had rest. and he had no war in those years:
- because the LORD
- had given him rest.
 - 7. Therefore he said unto Judah, Let us build these cities, and make about them walls, and towers, gates, and bars, while the land is yet before us; because we have sought the LORD our God, we have sought him, and he hath given us rest on every side.
- So they built and prospered.
- 8. And Asa had an army of men that bare targets and spears.
- out of Judah three hundred
- thousand: and out of **Beniamin.** that bare shields
- and drew bows. two hundred and fourscore thousand: all
- these were mighty men of valour. 9 And there came out
- against them Zerah the Ethiopian with an host of
- a thousand thousand, and three hundred chariots: and came unto Mareshah.
 - 10. Then Asa went out against him.
- and they set the
- | **battle** in array
- in the valley of
- Zephathah at Mareshah. 11. And Asa cried unto
- the LORD his God, and said. LORD, it is nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or

with them that have no power: help us. O LORD our God:

- for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou art our God;
- let no man prevail against thee.
- 12. So the LORD smote the Ethiopians before
 - Asa, and before Judah; and the Ethiopians fled.
- 13. And Asa and the people that were with him
- pursued them unto Gerar:
 - and the Ethiopians were overthrown, that they could not

recover themselves: for they

- were destroyed before the LORD, and before his host: m i
- and they carried away
- very much spoil.
 - 14. And they smote all the cities round about Gerar; for the fear of the LORD came upon them; and they spoiled all the cities: for there was exceeding much spoil in them. 15. They smote also the tents of
 - cattle, and carried away sheep and camels in abundance.
- and returned to Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 15

- And the Spirit of God came upon Azariah the son of Oded:
- And he went out to meet Asa, and said unto him, Hear ye me, Asa, and all Judah and Benjamin:
- The LORD is with you, while ve be with him: and if ve seek him, he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake vou.
- 3. Now for a long season Israel hath been without the true God, and without a teaching priest, and without law.
- 4. But when they in their trouble did
- turn unto the LORD God of Israel, and sought him,
- he was found of them.
- 5. And in those times there was no peace to him that went out, nor to him that came in, but great vexations were upon all the inhabitants of the countries.
- 6. And nation was
 - destroyed of

- nation, and city of city:
- for God did vex them with all adversity.
- 7. **Be ye strong** therefore. and let not your hands be weak:
- for your work shall
- be rewarded.
- 8. And when Asa heard
 - these words, and the prophecy of Oded the prophet,

he took courage, and put away the abominable **m** !

idols out of all the land of

Judah and Benjamin, and out of the cities which he had taken from mount Ephraim.

and renewed the altar of the LORD, that was before the porch of the LORD.

9. And he gathered all Judah and Benjamin. and the strangers with them

out of Ephraim and

Manasseh, and out of Simeon: for they fell to

him out of Israel in abundance, when

they saw that the LORD his God was with him.

10. So they gathered themselves together at Jerusalem in the third month, in the fifteenth year of the reign of Asa.

11. And they offered unto the LORD the same time. of the spoil which they had brought, seven hundred oxen and seven thousand sheep.

12. And they entered into a covenant to seek the LORD God of their fathers

with all their heart and with all their

soul:

13. That whosoever would not seek the LORD God of Israel should be put to death.

whether small or great, whether man or woman

14. And they sware unto the LORD with a loud voice, and with shouting. and with trumpets, and with cornets.

15. And all Judah rejoiced at the oath: for they had sworn with all their heart, and sought him with their whole desire; and he was found of them:

and the LORD gave ■ I them rest round about.

■ 16. And also concerning

Maachah the mother of

Asa the king, he removed her

from being queen.

because she had

made an idol in a grove: and Asa cut down her

idol, and stamped it, and burnt it at the brook Kidron.

But the high places were not taken away

out of Israel: nevertheless

the heart of Asa was perfect all his days.

> 18. And he brought into the house of God the things that his father had dedicated, and that he himself had dedicated, silver, and gold, and vessels.

19 And there was no more war unto the five and thirtieth year of l∎l the reian of Asa.

CHAPTER 16

1. In the six and thirtieth year of the reign of Asa Baasha king of Israel came up against Judah, and

built Ramah, to the

intent that he might let none go out or come

in to Asa king of Judah.

2. Then Asa brought out silver and gold out of the treasures of the house of the LORD and of the king's house, and sent

to Ben-hadad king of Syria, that dwelt at Damascus. savina.

3. There is a league between me and thee, as there was between my father and thy father; behold, I have sent thee silver and gold; go, break thy league with

Baasha king of Israel. that he may depart from me.

4. And Ben-hadad

hearkened unto king Asa, and sent the captains of his

armies against the cities of Israel; and they smote Ijon,

and Dan, and Abel-maim, and all the store cities of Naphtali.

And it came to pass.

when Baasha heard it, that

- he left off building of
- Ramah, and let his work cease.
- 6. Then Asa the kina took all Judah: and they
- carried away the stones of Ramah, and the
- **timber** thereof, wherewith Baasha was building:
- and he
- | **built** therewith
- Geba and Mizpah.
- 7. **And** at that time
- Hanani the seer came
- to Asa king of Judah.
- **and said** unto him.
- Because thou hast
- relied on the king of
- | Syria, and not relied
 - on the LORD thy God, therefore is
- the host of the king of
- | Syria escaped out of thine hand.
- 8. Were not the
- Ethiopians and the Lubims
- a huge host, with very many chariots and horsemen?
- yet, because thou didst rely on
- the LORD, he
- delivered them into
- thine hand.
- 9. For the eyes of the ■ LORD run to and fro
- throughout the whole
- earth, to shew himself
- strong in the
- behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward
- him. Herein thou hast done foolishly: therefore from henceforth
- thou shalt have wars.
- 10. Then Asa was wroth with
- the seer, and put him in a
- prison house; for he was in a rage with him because of this

thing. And Asa oppressed some of the people the same time.

- 11. And, behold, the acts of Asa, first and last, lo, they are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.
- 12. And Asa in the thirty and ninth year of his reign
 - was diseased in his feet,

until his disease was exceeding great:

- vet in his disease
- he sought not to the
- LORD. But to
- the physicians.
- 13. And Asa slept with his fathers, and
- died in the one and fortieth year of his reign.
 - 14. And they buried him in his own sepulchres, which he had made for himself in the city of David, and laid him in the bed which was filled with sweet odours and divers kinds of spices prepared by the apothecaries' art: and they made a very great burning for him.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. And Jehoshaphat his
- son reigned in his stead,
- and strengthened himself against Israel.
- 2. And he placed forces
- in all the fenced cities of
- Judah, and set garrisons in the land of Judah.
- and in the cities of
 - Ephraim, which Asa his father had taken.
 - 3. And the LORD was with
- Jehoshaphat, because he walked in the first ways of his father David, and sought not unto Baalim; 4. But
 - sought to

- the Lord God of his father.
- and walked in his
- commandments, and not after the doings of Israel.
- 5. Therefore the LORD stablished the
- kingdom in his hand;
- and all Judah
- **brought** to Jehoshaphat
- presents: and he had riches and honour
 - in abundance.
- 6. And his heart was lifted up in the ways of the LORD:
- moreover he took away
- the high places and groves out of Judah.
- |■| 7. Also in the third year of

■ I his reign he sent to his princes, even to Ben-hail, and to Obadiah, and to Zechariah.

and to Nethaneel, and to Michaiah. to teach in the cities

- of Judah.
- 8. And with them
- he sent Levites, even

Shemaiah, and Nethaniah. and Zebadiah, and Asahel, and Shemiramoth, and Jehonathan. and Adonijah, and Tobijah, and Tob-adonijah, Levites; and with them Elishama and Jehoram, priests.

9. And they taught in Judah. and had the book of

the law of the LORD with them, and went about throughout all the cities of Judah, and

taught the people.

10. And the fear of the LORD fell upon all the kingdoms

of the lands that were

round about

Judah, so that

they made no war against Jehoshaphat.

11. Also some of

the Philistines brought

Jehoshaphat

presents, and tribute silver:

and the Arabians

brought him

flocks, seven thousand and seven hundred rams, and seven thousand and seven hundred he goats.

12. And Jehoshaphat waxed great exceedingly;

and he

built in Judah

castles, and cities of store.

13. And he had much business in the cities of Judah: and the men of war, mighty men of valour, were in Jerusalem.

14. And these are the numbers of them according to the house of their fathers:

Of Judah, the

captains of thousands: ■ Adnah the chief, and

with him mighty men of valour

■ I three hundred thousand.

And next to him was.

Jehohanan the captain, and with him

two hundred and fourscore thousand.

16. And next him was

Amasiah the son of Zichri. who willingly offered himself unto the LORD; and

with him

two hundred thousand

mighty men of valour.

17. And of Benjamin: Eliada a mighty man of valour, and

with him armed men with bow and shield

two hundred thousand.

18. And next him was

Jehozabad, and

with him

an hundred and

fourscore thousand

ready prepared for the war. 19. These waited on

the king, beside those whom the king put

in the fenced cities

throughout all

Judaĥ.

CHAPTER 18

1. Now Jehoshaphat

had riches and

honour in abundance, and joined affinity

with Ahab.

2. And after certain years

he went down to Ahab to

Samaria. And Ahab killed sheep and oxen

for him in abundance, and

for the people that he had

with him, and persuaded him to go up

with him to Ramoth-gilead.

3. And Ahab king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat

king of Judah,

Wilt thou go with me

to Ramoth-gilead? And he answered him, I am as thou art.

and my people

II CHRONICLES 18 as thy people; and we will be with thee in the war. 4. And Jehoshaphat said unto the king of Israel. Inquire, I pray thee, ■ at the word of the ■ LORD to-day. ■ 5. Therefore the king of ■ Israel aathered together of ■ | prophets four hundred men, **and said** unto them. Shall we go to Ramoth-ailead to battle, or shall I forbear? And they said. Go up: for God will deliver if into the kina's hand. ■ 6. But Jehoshaphat said, Is there not here a prophet of the LORD besides, that we might inquire of him? ■ 7. And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, There is vet one man, by whom we may inquire of the LORD: ■ but I hate him; for he never prophesied good unto me, but always evil: the same is Micaiah the son of Imla. And Jehoshaphat said. Let not the king say so. And the king of Israel called for one of his officers, and said. Fetch quickly Micaiah the son of Imla. ■ 9. And the king of Israel and Jehoshaphat king of

12. And the messenger

Behold, the words of the prophets declare good **=** ! to the king with one assent; let thy word therefore, I pray thee. be like one of their's, and speak thou good. 13. And Micaiah said. As the LORD liveth. even what my God saith, that will I speak. 14. And when he was come to the king, the king said unto him, Micaiah, shall we go to Ramoth-ailead to battle, or shall I forbear? **And he said. Go** ve up, and prosper, and they shall be delivered into your hand. 15. And the king said to him. How many times shall I adjure thee that thou say nothing but the truth to me in the name of the LORD? Israel scattered upon the mountains, as sheep that have no shepherd: and the LORD said. These have no master; let them return therefore every man to his house in peace. 17. And the king of Israel Judah sat either of them on **his throne,** clothed in *their* robes, not tell thee that and they sat in a void place at the **he would** not entering in of the gate of Samaria; and all the prophets prophesied prophesy good unto me, but evil? before them. 10. And Zedekiah the son of hear the word of the LORD; Chenaanah had made him horns I saw the LORD sitting of iron, and said. Thus saith the upon his throne, and all LORD, With these thou shalt push П the host of heaven Syria until they be consumed. standing on his right hand 11. And all the prophets prophesied and on his so, saying, Go up to Ramoth-gilead, left. and prosper: for the LORD shall deliver it into the hand of the king.

16. Then he said, I did see all said to Jehoshaphat, Did I 18. **Again he said,** Therefore 19. And the LORD said. Who shall entice

that went to call Micaiah

spake to him, savina.

681 Ahab king of Israel. that he may go up and fall at Ramoth-gilead? And one spake saying after this manner, and another saving after that manner. 20. Then there came out a spirit, and stood before the LORD. and said. I will entice him. And the LORD said unto him. Wherewith? 21. And he said. I will go out, and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets. And *the* Lord said. Thou shalt entice him, and thou shalt also prevail: go out, and do even SO. 22. Now therefore, behold, the LORD hath put a lying spirit in the mouth of these thy prophets, and the LORD hath spoken evil against thee. 23. Then Zedekiah the son of Chenaanah came near, and smote Micaiah upon the cheek, and said. Which way went the Spirit of the LORD from me to speak unto thee? 24. And Micaiah said, Behold, thou shalf see on that day when thou shalt go into an inner chamber to hide thyself. 25. Then the king of Israel said, Take ye Micaiah, and carry him back to Amon the governor of the city, and to Joash the king's son; 26. And say, Thus saith the king, Put this fellow in the prison, and feed him with bread of affliction and with

water of affliction,

If thou certainly

■ until I return in peace.

27. And Micaiah said.

■ return in peace, then hath

not the LORD spoken by me. And he said, Hearken. all ve people. 28. So the kina of Israel and Jehoshaphat the king of Judah went up to Ramoth-ailead. 29. And the king of Israel said unto Jehoshaphat, I will disquise myself. and I will go to the battle: but put thou on thy robes. So the king of Israel disguised himself; and they went to the battle. 30. Now the king of Syria had commanded the captains of the chariots that were with him, saying, Fight ve not with small or great, save only with the king of Israel. 31. And it came to pass. when the captains of the chariots saw Jehoshaphat, that they said, It is the king of Israel. Therefore they compassed about him to fight: but Jehoshaphat cried out, and the LORD helped him; and God moved them to depart from him. 32. For it came to pass, that, when the captains of the charlots perceived that it was not the king of Israel, they turned back again from pursuing him. 33. And a *certain* man drew a bow at a venture, and smote the king of Israel between the joints of the harness: therefore he said to his chariot man, Turn thine hand, that thou mayest carry me out of the host: for I am wounded. 34. And the battle increased that day: howbeit the king of Israel stayed himself up in his chariot against the Syrians until the even: and about the time of the sun

going down he ■ died.

CHAPTER 19

- 1 1. And Jehoshaphat the king of Judah
 - returned to his house
- in peace to Jerusalem.
- 2. And Jehu the son of ■ I Hanani the seer went out
- to meet him, and said to king Jehoshaphat.
- Shouldest thou
- help the ungodly.
- and love them that hate
- the LORD? therefore is wrath upon thee from before
- the LORD.
 - Nevertheless there are good things found in thee, in that
- thou hast taken away ■ the groves out of the land.
- | and has
- prepared thine heart to seek God.
- 4. And Jehoshaphat dwelt at Jerusalem: and he
- | went out again through the people
 - from Beer-sheba to mount Ephraim,
- and brought them back unto the LORD
- God of their fathers.
- 5. And he set judges
- in the land throughout all the fenced cities of
- Judah, city by city,
- 6. And said to the judges,
- l Take heed what ye do:
- for ve judge not for man, but
- for the LORD, who is with you in the judgment.
- 7. Wherefore now
- let the fear of the LORD
- be upon you; take heed and do it. for there is
- no iniquity with the LORD our God, nor respect of
- persons, nor taking of gifts. 8. Moreover in
- | Jerusalem did
- Jehoshaphat set of the
- Levites, and of the

- priests, and of the chief of the fathers of Israel.
- for the judgment
- of the LORD, and for
- controversies, when they returned to Jerusalem.
- 9. And he charged
- them, saying,
- Thus shall ve do in the fear of the LORD, faithfully.
- and with a perfect heart.
- And what cause soever shall come to you of your brethren that dwell in your cities. between blood and blood. between law and commandment. statutes and judgments.
- ve shall even
- warn them that they trespass not against the
 - LORD, and so wrath come upon you, and upon your brethren: this do, and ve shall not trespass. 11. And, behold, Amariah the chief priest is over you in all matters of the LOBD: and Zebadiah the son of Ishmael, the ruler of the house of Judah, for all the king's matters: also the Levites shall be officers before you.
- Deal courageously.
- and the LORD shall ■ be with the good.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. It came to pass
- after this also, that
- the children of
- Moab, and the children of
- Ammon, and with them other beside the Ammonites.
- came against
- Jehoshaphat to battle.
- Then there came some that told Jehoshaphat.
- saying, There cometh a great
- multitude against thee from
- beyond the sea on this side Syria: and, behold, they be in Hazazon-tamar, which is En-gedi.
- 3. And Jehoshaphat
- feared, and set himself to seek the LORD.

- and proclaimed a fast throughout all
- 4. And Judah gathered
 themselves
- together, to ask help of the LORD: even out of all the cities of Judah they came
- to seek the LÓRD.
 - 5. And Jehoshaphat
- **stood** in the congregation of Judah and Jerusalem.
- in the house of the
- I LORD, before the new court,
- 6. And said, O LORD
- God of our fathers, art not thou God in heaven? and
- rulest not thou
- over all the kingdoms of
- **the heathen? and** in thine hand is there not power and might, so that
- none is able to withstand thee?
 - 7 Art not
- thou our God.
- | who didst drive out
- the inhabitants of this
- I and before thy people Israel,
- and gavest it to theseed of Abraham thy
- friend for ever?
- 8. And they dwelt therein, and have
- built thee a
- sanctuary therein for thy name, saying.
- 9. If, when evil cometh upon us, as the sword, judgment, or pestilence, or famine
- we stand before this house, and in
- thy presence, (for thy name is in this house.)
- and cry unto
- thee in our affliction.
- then thou wilt
- hear and help.
- 10. And now.
 - behold, the children of **Ammon and Moab**
- and mount Seir,
- whom thou wouldest
 - not let Israel invade.

- when they came out of the land of Egypt, but they turned from them, and destroyed them not;
- 11. Behold, *I say*, how they reward us, to
- they reward us, to

- come to cast us out of thy possession, which thou hast given us to inherit. 12. O our God.
- wilt thou not judge them?
 for we have no might
 against this great
- **Company** that cometh against us; neither know we what to do:
- but our eyes *are* upon thee.

 13. And all Judah stood
 - **before the LORD**, with their little ones, their wives, and their children.
 - 14. **Then upon Jahaziel** the son of Zechariah, the son of Benaiah, the son of Mattaniah, a Levite of the sons of Asaph.
- came the Spirit of the LORD in the midst of the congregation:
 - 15. And he said, Hearken ye, all Judah, and ye inhabitants of Jerusalem, and thou king Jehoshaphat,
- Thus saith the LORD unto you,
 Be not afraid nor dismayed by reason of this great multitude;
 for the battle is not
- yours, but God's.
 16. To-morrow go ye
 down against them: behold, they come up by the cliff of Ziz; and ye shall find them at the
- and ye shall find them at the end of the brook, before the wilderness of Jeruel.

 17. Ye shall not need to
- fight in this battle: set yourselves, stand ye still, and see the salvation of the LORD with you, O Judah and Jerusalem: fear not, nor be dismayed; to-morrow go out against them; for the LORD will he
- out against them: for the LORD will be with you.

 18. And Jehoshaphat
- bowed his head with his face to the ground:
- and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem
 fell before the LORD.

worshipping the LORD. 19. And the Levites, of the children of the Kohathites, and of the children of the Korhites. stood up to praise the ■ LORD God of Israel with a loud voice on high. 20. And they rose early in the morning, and ■ | went forth into the wilderness of ■ Tekoa: and as they went forth. Jehoshaphat stood and said. Hear me. O Judah, and ve inhabitants of Jerusalem: Believe in the LORD your God. so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper. 21. And when he had consulted with the people. he appointed ■ singers unto the LORD, ■ and that should praise the beauty of holiness, as they went out before ■ I the army, and to say, Praise the LORD; for his mercy endureth for ever. 22. And when they began to sing and to praise, the LORD set ambushments against the children of Ammon, Moab, and mount Seir, which were come against Judah; and they were smitten. 23. For the children of Ammon and Moab stood up against the inhabitants of mount Seir, utterly to slav and destroy them: and when they had made an end of the inhabitants of Seir, every one helped to destroy another. 24. **And** when Judah came toward the watch tower in the wilderness, they

looked unto the multitude.

and, behold, they were

dead bodies fallen to the earth, and none escaped. 25. And when Jehoshaphat and his people came to take away the spoil of them, they found among them in abundance both riches with the dead bodies. and precious jewels, which they stripped off for themselves. more than they could carry away: and they were three days in gathering of the spoil, it was so much. 26. And on the fourth day they assembled themselves in the valley of Berachah; for there they blessed the LORD: therefore the name of the same place was called. The valley of Berachah, unto this day. 27. Then they returned, every man of Judah and Jerusalem, and Jehoshaphat in the forefront of them, to go again to Jerusalem with joy; for the LORD had made them to rejoice over their enemies. 28. And they came to Jerusalem with psalteries and harps and trumpets unto the house of the LORD. 29. And the fear of God was on all the kinadoms of those countries. when they had heard that the LORD fought against the enemies of Israel. 30. So the realm of Jehoshaphat was quiet: for ٠ his God gave him rest round about. 31. And Jehoshaphat reigned over Judah: he was thirty and five years old when he began to reign, and he reigned twenty and five vears in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Azubah the daughter of Shilhi. 32. And he walked in

the way of Asa his father, and departed not from it.

doing that which was

right in the sight

of the LORD.

33. Howbeit the high places

were not taken

away: for as yet

the people had not prepared their

hearts unto the

God of their fathers.

34. Now the rest of the acts of Jehoshaphat, first and last, behold, they are written in the book of Jehu the son of Hanani, who is mentioned in the book of the kings of Israel.

35. And after this did Jehoshaphat

king of Judah

ioin himself

with Ahaziah king of Israel.

who did very wickedly: 36. And he joined himself with him

to make ships to go to

Tarshish: and they made the ships in Ezion-gaber.

37. Then Eliezer the son of Dodavah of Mareshah

prophesied against

■ Jehoshaphat, saying, ■ Because thou hast

■ | ioined thyself with

Ahaziah, the LORD hath

■ broken thy works. And

■ the ships were broken.

■ that they were not able

■ to go to Tarshish.

CHAPTER 21

1. Now Jehoshaphat

slept with his fathers,

and was buried with his fathers in the city of David.

And Jehoram his son

reigned in his stead.

2. And he had brethren

the sons of Jehoshaphat, Azariah. and Jehiel, and Zechariah, and Azariah, and Michael, and Shephatiah: all these were the sons of Jehoshaphat king of Israel.

And their father

gave them great gifts of silver, and of

gold, and of

precious things, with

fenced cities in Judah: but the kingdom gave he to Jehoram: because he was the firstborn.

Now when

Jehoram was risen up to the kingdom of his father, he

strengthened himself.

and slew all

his brethren with the sword. and *divers* also of the princes of Israel.

5. Jehoram was thirty and two years old when he began to reign, and he reianed eiaht

Vegrs in Jerusalem.

6. And he walked in the way of the kings of Israel, like as did the house of Ahab: for he had the daughter of Ahab to wife: and he wrought

that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD.

Howbeit the LORD would not destroy the house of David.

because of the covenant that he had made with David, and as he promised to give a

light to him and to his sons for ever.

8. In his days the Edomites revolted from under the dominion of Judah, and made themselves a king.

Then Jehoram went forth with his princes, and all his chariots with him; and he rose up by night. and smote the Edomites which compassed him in, and the

captains of the chariots. 10. So the Edomites

revolted from under the hand of Judah

unto this day. The same time also did Libnah revolt

> from under his hand; because he had forsaken the LORD God of his fathers.

- 11. Moreover he made high places in the mountains of Judah and caused the inhabitants of Jerusalem to commit fornication. and compelled Judah thereto. 12. And there came ■ a writing to him from Elijah the prophet, saying, Thus saith the LORD God of David thy father. Because thou hast not walked in the ways of Jehoshaphat thy father, nor in the ways of Asa king of Judah,
- 13. But hast walked in the way of the kings of Israel, and hast made Judah and the
- inhabitants of Jerusalem to go a-whoring.
- like to the whoredoms of the house of Ahab, and also ■ hast slain thy brethren

of thy father's house. ■ | which were better

■ I than thyself:

■ 14. **Behold**, with ■ Q great

■ plaque will the LORD smite thy people.

and thy children, and thy wives, and all thy goods:

■ 15. And thou shalt have great

sickness by disease of thy bowels, until thy bowels fall out by reason of the sickness day by day.

■ 16. Moreover the LORD stirred up against Jehoram the spirit of the Philistines,

and of the Arabians, that were

near the Ethiopians: ■ 17. And they came up

into Judah, and brake into it,

■ and carried away

■ | **all** the substance

■ I that was found in the

■ king's house, and ■ his sons also, and

■ his wives; so that there was never a son left him.

■ save Jehoahaz, the

youngest of his sons.

18. And after all this

■I the LORD smote him in his bowels

with an incurable disease.

19. And it came to pass. that in process of time, after the end of two years,

his bowels fell out by reason of his sickness: so

he died of sore diseases.

And his people made no burning for him,

like the burning of

his fathers.

20. Thirty and two years old was he when he began to reign, and he reigned in Jerusalem eight years, and departed without being desired. Howbeit they buried him in the city of David, but not in the sepulchres of the kings.

CHAPTER 22

1 And the inhabitants of

Jerusalem made

Ahaziah his youngest son

king in his stead: for the band of men that came with the Arabians to the camp had slain all the eldest. So Ahaziah the son of Jehoram king of Judah reigned.

2. **Forty** and

two years old was Ahaziah when he began to reign,

and he reigned one year in Jerusalem. His mother's name also

was Athaliah the daughter of Omri.

3. He also walked in

the ways of the house of Ahab: for his mother

was his counsellor

to do wickedly.

4. Wherefore he did evil in the sight of the LORD like

the house of Ahab: for they were his counsellors after the death of his father to his destruction.

He walked

also after their counsel, and

went with Jehoram the son of Ahab

king of Israel to war

687 against Hazael king of Syria at Ramoth-gilead: and the Syrians smote Joram. 6. And he returned to be healed in Jezreel because of the wounds which were given him at Ramah, when he fought with Hazael king of Syria. And Azariah the son of Jehoram king of Judah went down to see Jehoram the son of Ahab at Jezreel. because he was sick 7. And the destruction of Ahaziah was of God by coming to Joram: for when he was come. he went out with Jehoram against Jehu the son of Nimshi. whom the LORD had anointed to cut off the house of Ahab. 8. And it came to pass, that, when Jehu was executing judgment upon the house of Ahab, and found the princes of Judah. and the sons of the brethren of Ahaziah, that ministered to Ahaziah, he slew them. And he sought Ahaziah: and they caught him, (for he was hid in Samaria,) and brought him to Jehu: and when they had slain him, they buried him: Because, said they, he is the son of Jehoshaphat, who sought the LORD with all his heart. So the house of Ahaziah had no

power to keep still the kingdom.

destroyed all the seed

11. But Jehoshabeath.

her son was dead.

royal of the house of

the daughter of the king,

she arose and

Judah.

10. But when Athaliah the

mother of Ahaziah saw that

took Joash the son of Ahaziah, and stole him from among the king's sons that were slain. and put him and his nurse in a bedchamber. So Jehoshabeath, the daughter of king Jehoram, the wife of Jehojada the priest, (for she was the sister of Ahaziah.) hid him from Athaliah, so that she slew him not. 12. And he was with them hid in the house of God six years: and Athaliah

CHAPTER 23

 And in the seventh year Jehoiada strenathened himself, and took the captains of hundreds, Azariah the son of Jeroham, and Ishmael the son of Jehohanan, and Azariah the son of Obed, and Maaseiah the son of Adaiah, and Elishaphat the son of

Zichri, into covenant with him. And they went about in Judah, and

reigned over the land.

aathered the Levites out of all the cities of

Judah, and the chief of the fathers of Israel, and

they came to Jerusalem. And all the congregation made a covenant with

the king in the house of God. And he said unto them.

Behold, the king's son shall reian, as the LORD hath

said of the sons of David.

4. This is the thing that

ve shall do: A third part of you entering on the sabbath. of the priests and of the

Levites, shall be porters

of the doors:

5. And a third part shall be at the king's house; and a third part at the gate of the foundation:

and all the people shall be in the courts of the house of the LORD.

6. But let none come into the

- house of the LORD, save
 the priests, and they that minister of the Levites; they shall go in, for they are holy: but all the people shall keep the watch of the LORD.
- 7. And the Levites shall compass the king

round about, every man with his weapons in his hand;

- and whosoever else
- cometh into the house, he shall be put to death: but

be ye with the king when he cometh in, and when he goeth out.

- 8. So the Levites and all Judah
- **did** according to
- all things that
- Jehoiada the priest had
- commanded, and took every man his men that were to come in on the sabbath, with them that were to go out on the sabbath: for Jehoiada the priest dismissed not the courses.
- 9. Moreover
- Jehoiada the priest
- delivered to the captains of hundreds
- spears, and bucklers,
- and shields, that had been king David's, which were in the house of God.
- 10. And he set all
- the people,
 - every man having his weapon
 in his hand, from the right side of the
- in his hand, from the right side of the temple to the left side of the temple, along by the altar and
- the temple, by the king round about.
- 11. Then they brought out the king's son, and put upon him the crown, and gave him the testimony.
- and made him king. And Jehoiada and his sons anointed him, and said, God save the king.
- 12. Now when Athaliah
 heard the noise of the people running and praising the king.
- she came to the people
- into the house of the LORD:
 - 13. And she looked, and, behold,
 - I the king stood at his pillar

- at the entering in, and the princes and the trumpets by the king:
- and all the people of the land rejoiced, and sounded with
- rejoiced, and sounded with trumpets, also the singers with instruments of music, and such as taught to sing praise.
- Then Athaliah rent her
- clothes, and said,
- Treason, Treason.
- 14. Then Jehoiada the priest brought out the captains of hundreds that were set over the host,
 - and said unto them, Have her forth of the ranges: and
- whoso followeth her, let
- him be slain with the sword.
- For the priest said, Slay her not in the house
- of the LORD.
- 15. **So** they laid hands on her; and
- when she was come
- **to** the entering of
- the horse gate
 - by the king's house,
- they slew her there.
- 16. And Jehoiada made a covenant between him,
- and between all
- the people, and between the king,
- that they should be the LORD's people.
- 17. Then all the people went
- to the house of Baal, and brake it down, and brake
- his altars and his images in pieces,
- and slew Mattan
- the priest of Baal
- before the altars.

 18. Also Jehoiada
- appointed the offices of the
 - house of the LORD by the hand of the priests the Levites, whom David had distributed in the house of the LORD, to offer the burnt offerings of the LORD, as it is written in the law of Moses, with rejoicing and with singing,
- as it was ordained
- by David.
- 19. And he set the
- porters at the gates of the house of the LORD.
- that none which was

- | unclean in any thing
- should enter in.
- 20. And he took the captains of hundreds, and the nobles, and the governors of the people, and all the people of the land, and
- brought down
- the king from the house
- of the LORD: and they came through the high gate into the king's house,
- and set the king upon
- the throne of the kingdom.
- 21. And all the
- people of the land
- rejoiced: and the city was quiet, after that they had slain Athaliah with the sword.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. Joash was seven yearsold when he began to reign,
 - and he reigned forty years in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Zihiah of Beer-sheha
- 2. And Joash did that which was right in the
 - sight of the LORD all the days of Jehoiada the priest.
 - And Jehoiada took for him two wives; and he begat sons
- and daughters.

 4. **And** it came to pass after this. that
- Joash was minded to repair the house
 - of the LORD.
- 5. And he gathered together
- the priests and the
- Levites, and said to them. Go out unto the cities of Judah, and
- gather of all Israel
- money to repair the house of your God from year to year,
- and see that ye
- hasten the matter. Howbeitthe Levites hastened it not.
- 6 And the king called
- for Jehoiada the chief, and said unto him.
- Why hast thou
- not required of
- the Levites to bring in

- out of Judah and out of Jerusalem
 the collection, according
 to the commandment of
 Moses the servant of the LORD,
 and of the congregation of Israel.
- for the tabernacle of witness?

 7. For the sons of
- Athaliah, that wicked woman.
- had broken up the house of God; and also all
- the dedicated things of the house of the LORD
- did they bestow upon Baalim.
- 8. And at the king's
- commandment they made a chest, and set it without
- at the gate of the houseof the LORD.
- 9. And they made a proclamation through Judah and Jerusalem,

 to bring in
- to the LORD the collection
 - upon Israel in the wilderness.
- 10. And all the princes and all
 the people rejoiced,
 and brought in, and
 cast into the chest, until
 - cast into the chest, until they had made an end.
- 11. Now it came to pass, that at what time
- the chest was brought unto the king's office
- by the hand of the Levites.
- and when they saw that there was much money,
- the king's scribe and the
 high priest's officer came and
- emptied the chest, and took
- it, and carried it to his
- place again. Thus theydid day by day, and gathered
- money in abundance.

 12. And the king and
- **Jehoiada** gave it to such as did the work of the service of the house of the LORD, and
- hired masons and
 carpenters to repair the
 - house of the LORD, and also such as wrought iron and brass to mend the house of the LORD.

13. So the workmen wrought, and the work was perfected by them, and they set the house of God in his state. and strengthened it. 14. And when they had finished it. they brought the rest of the money before the king and Jeholada, whereof were made vessels for the house of the LORD. even vessels to minister, and to offer withal, and spoons. and vessels of gold and silver. And they offered burnt offerings in the house of the LORD continually all the days of Jehoiada. 15. But Jehoiada waxed old, and WQS full of days when he died: an hundred and thirty years old was he when he died. 16. And they buried him in the city of David among the kings, because he had done good in Israel, both toward God, and toward his house. 17. Now after the death of Jehoiada came the princes of Judah, and made obeisance to the king. Then the king hearkened unto them. ■ 18. And they left the house of the LORD God of their fathers. and served groves and ■ I idols: and wrath came upon Judah ■ and Jerusalem for this ■ their trespass. ■ 19. Yet he sent prophets to them, to bring them again unto the LORD; and they testified against them: but ■ they would not give ear. 20. And the Spirit of God came upon Zechariah the son of Jehoiada the priest, which stood above the people, and said unto them. Thus saith God.

Why transgress ve the commandments of the LORD. that ye cannot prosper? because ye have forsaken the LORD, he hath also forsaken you. 21. And they conspired against him, and stoned him with stones at the commandment of the king in the court of the house of the LORD. 22. Thus Joash the kina remembered not the kindness which Jehoiada his father had done to him, but slew his son. And when he died, he said, The LORD look upon it, and require it. 23. And it came to pass at the end of the year, that the host of Syria came up against him: and they came to Judah and Jerusalem, and destroyed all the princes of the people from among the people, and sent all the spoil of them unto the king of Damascus. 24. For the army of the Syrians came with a small company of men, and the LORD delivered a very great host into their hand, because they had forsaken the LÖRD God of their fathers. So they executed judgment against Joash. 25. And when they were departed from him, (for they left him in great diseases,) his own servants conspired against him for the blood of the sons of Jehoiada the priest, and slew him on his bed, and he died:

and they buried him in the city of

sepulchres of the kings.

against him; Zabad the son of

David, but they buried him not in the

26. And these are they that conspired

Shimeath an Ammonitess, and Jehozabad the son of Shimrith a Moabitess. 27. Now concerning his sons, and the

greatness of the burdens laid upon him, and the repairing of the house of God, behold, they are written in the story of the book of the kings.

And Amaziah his son ■ reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 25

- 1. Amaziah was twenty and five years old when he began to reign, and he
- reigned twenty and nine years in Jerusalem.

And his mother's name was Jehoaddan of Jerusalem

- 2. And he did that which was right in the sight of the
- LÖRD, but not with a perfect heart.
 - 3. Now it came to pass, when the kingdom was established to him, that
- he slew his servants that
- had killed the king
- his father.
- 4. But he slew
- not their children, but did

QS it is written in the law in the book of

- Moses, where the LORD
- commanded, saving.

The fathers shall not die for the children, neither shall the children die for the fathers, but

- every man shall die for his own sin.
- 5. Moreover Amaziah
- gathered Judah together.

and made them captains over thousands, and captains over hundreds, according to the houses of their fathers. throughout all Judah and Benjamin:

and he

numbered them from twenty years old and above.

- and found them three
- hundred thousand

choice men, able to go forth to war.

that could handle

spear and shield. 6. He hired also an hundred thousand mighty men of valour out of Israel for an hundred talents of silver.

7 But there came a man of God to him

saying, O king. let not the army of

Israel go with thee; for the LORD is not with Israel to wit, with all the children of Ephraim.

8. But if thou will go,

do it: be strong for the battle: God shall make thee fall before the enemy: for God hath power to help, and to cast down.

9 And Amaziah

said to the man of God. But what shall we do for

the hundred talents which I have given to the

army of Israel? And the man of God answered.

The LORD is able to

aive thee much more than this.

10. Then Amaziah

separated them, to wit,

the army that was come to him out of Ephraim, to go home again: wherefore their

anger was greatly

kindled against Judah, and they returned home in great anger.

11. And Amaziah strengthened himself, and led forth his people, and went to the valley of salt. and smote of the children of Seir ten thousand

12. And other ten thousand left alive

did the children of

Judah carry away

captive, and brought them

unto the top of the rock. and cast them down from

the top of the rock, that they all were broken in pieces.

13. But the soldiers of the army

which Amaziah sent

back, that they should

not go with him to battle. fell upon the cities of Judah, from Samaria even unto Beth-horon. and smote three **■ I thousand** of them. and took much spoil. 14. Now it came to pass, after that Amaziah was come from the slaughter of the Edomites, that he brought the gods of the children of Seir, and set them up to be his gods, and bowed down himself before them. and burned incense unto them. 15. Wherefore the anger of the LORD was kindled against Amaziah, and he sent unto him a prophet, which said unto him. Why hast thou sought after the gods of the people. which could not deliver their own people out of thine hand? 16. And it came to pass. as he talked with him, that ■ I the king said unto him. Art thou made of the king's counsel? forbear; why shouldest thou be smitten? Then the prophet forbare, and ■ said. I know that God hath determined to destroy thee, because thou hast done this, and hast not hearkened unto my counsel. 17. **Then Amaziah** king of Judah took advice, and sent to Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, the son of Jehu, king of Israel, saying, Come, let us see one another in the face. ■ 18. And Joash king of Israel sent to Amaziah king of Judah, saying, The thistle

that was

in Lebanon sent to the cedar that was in Lebanon. saying. Give thy daughter to my son to wife: and there passed by a wild beast that was in Lebanon, and trode down the thistle. 19. Thou sayest, Lo, thou hast smitten the Edomites: and thine heart lifteth thee up to boast: abide now at home: Why shouldest thou meddle to thine hurt. that thou shouldest fall. even thou, and Judah with thee? 20. But Amaziah would not **hear**; for it came of God, that he might deliver them into the hand of their enemies, because they sought after the gods of Edom. 21. So Joash the king of Israel went up: and they saw one another in the face, both he and Amaziah king of Judah, at Beth-shemesh, which belongeth to Judah. 22. And Judah was put to the worse before Israel, and they **fled** every man to his tent. 23. And Joash the king of Israel took Amaziah king . of Judah, the son of Joash, the son of Jehoahaz, at Beth-shemesh, and brought him to Jerusalem, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem from the gate of Ephraim to the corner gate, four hundred cubits. 24. And he took all the gold and the silver, and all the vessels that were found in the house of God with Obed-edom. and the treasures of the king's house, the hostages also, and returned to Samaria. 25. And Amaziah the son of Joash king of Judah lived after the

death of Joash son

of Jehoahaz king of Israel fifteen vears.

> 26. Now the rest of the acts of Amaziah, first and last, behold. are they not written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel?

27 Now after the time that Amaziah did turn away

■ from following the LORD

■ they made a conspiracy

against him in Jerusalem:

and he fled to Lachish: but they sent to Lachish after him.

and slew him there.

28. And they brought him upon horses, and

buried him with his fathers

|■| in the city of Judah.

CHAPTER 26

■ 1. Then all

the people of Judah

took Uzziah, who was sixteen years old and

made him king in the room of his father Amaziah.

2. He built Floth, and restored it to Judah, after that the king slept with his fathers.

3. Sixteen years old was Uzziah when he began to reign,

and he reigned fifty and two years in Jerusalem.

His mother's name also was Jecoliah of Jerusalem.

4. And he did that which was right in the sight of

the LORD, according to all that his father Amaziah did

And he sought God in the days of Zechariah,

who had understanding in the visions of God:

and as long as he sought the LORD.

God made him to prosper.

6. And he went forth and

warred against the

Philistines, and brake

down the wall of

Gath, and the wall of

Jabneh, and the wall of

Ashdod, and built cities about Ashdod, and

amona the Philistines.

7. And God helped him against the Philistines.

and against

the Arabians that dwelt in Gur-baal, and the Mehunims.

And the Ammonites gave aifts to Uzziah: and his name spread abroad even to the entering in of Egypt; for he

strengthened himself exceedingly. 9 Moreover Uzziah

built towers in

> Jerusalem at the corner gate. and at the valley gate, and at the turning of the wall, and fortified them. 10. Also he built towers

in the desert, and diaged many wells: for he had much cattle.

both in the low country.

and in the plains: husbandmen

> also, and vine dressers in the mountains, and in Carmel:

for he loved husbandry.

11. Moreover Uzziah had an host of fighting men, that went out to war by bands, according to the number of their account by the hand of Jeiel the scribe and Maaseiah the ruler, under the hand of Hananiah. one of the king's captains.

12. The whole

number of the chief of the fathers of the mighty men of valour were two thousand and six hundred.

13. And under their hand . was an army, three hundred thousand and seven thousand and

five hundred, that made war with mighty power, to help the king against the enemy.

> 14. And Uzziah prepared for them throughout all the host

shields, and spears, and

helmets, and

haberaeons, and

bows, and slings to cast stones.

- 15 And he made in Jerusalem. engines, invented by cunning men, to be on the Towers and upon the bulwarks.
- to shoot arrows and areat stones withal. And his name spread far abroad: for he was marvellously helped, till he was strong.
- 16. But when he was strong. his heart was lifted up to ■ his destruction: for he transaressed
- against the LORD his God, and went into the temple of the LORD to burn incense upon the altar of incense.
- 17. And Azariah the priest went in after him, and with him
- fourscore priests of the LORD. that were valiant men:
- 18. And they withstood Uzziah the kina.
- and said unto him.
- *It appertaineth* not unto thee, Uzziah.
- to burn incense unto the LORD. **but** to
- the priests the sons of Aaron. that are consecrated to
- burn incense: go out of the sanctuary; for thou hast
 - trespassed; neither shall it be for thine honour from the LORD God.
- 19. Then Uzziah was
- wroth, and had a censer in his hand to burn incense:
- and while he was wroth with the priests, the
- leprosy even
- rose up in his forehead before the priests in the house of the

LORD, from beside the incense altar.

- 20. And Azariah the chief priest, and all
- the priests, looked upon him, and, behold, he was leprous in his forehead, and they
- thrust him out from thence; yea, himself hasted also to go out. because the LORD had smitten him.
- 21. And Uzziah the king

- was a leper unto the day of his death, and dwelt in a several house, being a leper: for he was cut off from the house of the LORD:
- and Jotham his son was over the king's house, judging the people of the land.
- 22. Now the rest of the
- acts of Uzziah, first and last. did Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz,
- write.
- 23. So Uzziah slept with his fathers, and they buried him with his fathers in the field of the burial which belonged to the kings; for they said. He is a leper:
- and Jotham his son
- reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 27

- 1. Jotham was twenty and
- five years old when he began to reign.
 - and he reigned sixteen
 - **VEGIS** in Jerusalem. His mother's name also was Jerushah, the daughter of Zadok.
 - 2 **Ānd** he

- did that which was
- right in the sight of the
- LORD, according to all that his father Uzziah did:
- howbeit he entered
- not into the temple of the LORD. And the
- people did yet
- corruptly. 3. He built the high gate of
- the house of the LORD, and on the wall of Ophel he built much.
- ٠ Moreover he built
- cities in the mountains of Judah. and in the forests he built
- castles and towers.
- 5. **He fought** also
- with the king of
- the Ammonites, and prevailed against
- them. And the children of
- Ammon gave him the same year an hundred talents of

- silver, and ten thousand measures of
- wheat, and ten thousand of
- barley. So much did the children of Ammon pay unto him, both the second year, and the third.
- **m** ! 6. So Jotham became
- mighty, because he prepared his ways before the LORD his God.
- 7. Now the rest of the acts of Jotham, and all his wars, and his ways, lo, they
- are written in the book of
- the kings of Israel and Judah.
 - 8. He was five and twenty years old when he began to reign, and reigned sixteen years in Jerusalem.
- 9. And Jotham slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the city of David:
- and Ahaz his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 28

- 1. Ahaz was twenty years old when he began to
- reian, and he
- reigned sixteen
- **VEGIS** in Jerusalem:
- but he did not that which was right in the sight of the
- LORD, like David his father:
- 2. For he walked in the ways of the kings of Israel, and
- made also molten
- images for Baalim.
- 3. Moreover he burnt
- incense in the valley of the son of Hinnom.
- and burnt his children
- in the fire, after the
- abominations of the
- heathen whom the LORD had cast out before the children of Israel.
 - 4. He sacrificed also and burnt incense in the high places, and on the hills, and under every green tree.
- 5. Wherefore the
- LORD his God
- delivered him into
- the hand of the king
- of Syria; and they
 - smote him, and

- carried away a great
 - multitude of them captives, and brought them to Damascus, And
- he was also delivered into the hand of the king
- of Israel, who smote him with a great slaughter.
 - For Pekah the son of Remaliah.
- slew in Judah an
- hundred and twenty thousand in one day.
 - which were all valiant men:

because they had forsaken the LORD

- God of their fathers.
- 7. And Zichri, a mighty man of Ephraim, slew Maaseiah the king's son, and Azrikam the governor of the house, and Elkanah that was next to the king.
- 8. And the children of Israel carried away captive of their brethren two hundred
- thousand, women, sons, and daughters, and
- took also away much spoil from them, and brought
- the spoil to Samaria.
 - 9. But a prophet of the LORD was there.
 - whose name was
- Oded: and he

- went out before the
- host that came to Samaria.
- and said unto them. Behold.
 - because the LORD
 - God of your fathers
- was wroth with Judah, he hath
- delivered them into
- your hand, and ye
 - have slain them in a rage that reacheth up unto heaven.
- 10. And now ye
- purpose to keep under the children of
- Judah and Jerusalem
- for bondmen and
- bondwomen unto you:
- but are there not
 - with you, even with you.
 - sins against the

LORD your God?

- 11. Now hear me therefore, and deliver the captives again, which ye have taken captive
- of your brethren: for
 the fierce wrath of the
 LORD is upon you.
- LORD is upon you.

 12. Then certain of the heads of the children
- of Ephraim, Azariah the son of Johanan, Berechiah the son of Meshillemoth, and Jehizkiah the son of Shallum, and Amasa the son of Hadlai,
- stood up against them that came from the war,
- 13. And said unto them,
 Ye shall not bring in
 the captives hither;
- for whereas
- we have offended against
- the LORD *already*, ye intend to add *more* to
- Our sins and to our trespass: for our trespass is great, and there is fierce wrath against Israel.
- 14. So the armed men
 left the captives and the spoil before the princes and all the congregation.
- 15. And the men which were expressed by name rose up, and took the captives,
- and with the spoil
- clothed all that were naked amongthem, and arrayed them,
- and shod them,
- and gave them to eat and to drink, and anointed them, and carried all the feeble of
- them upon asses,
- and brought them
- to Jericho, the city of palm trees,
 to their brethren: then they
 returned to Samaria.
- 16. At that time did king
- Ahaz send unto the kings of Assyria to help him.
- 17. For again
- the Edomites had come and smitten Judah, and carried
- away captives.
 - 18. The Philistines also

- had invaded the cities of the low country, and of
- the south of Judah, and had taken Beth-shemesh, and Ajalon, and Gederoth, and Shocho with the villages thereof, and Timnah with the villages thereof, Gimzo also and the villages thereof: and they dwelt there.
- 19. For the LORD brought
- Judah low because
- of Ahaz king of Israel;
- for he made Judah naked, and transgressed sore
- against the LORD.

 20. And Tilgathpilneser king
- of Assyria came unto him, and distressed him, but
 - strengthened him not. 21. For Ahaz took away
 - 21. For Ahaz took away
 a portion out of the
 house of the LORD, and

out of the house of the king, and of the princes, and

- gave it unto the king of Assyria: but he
- helped him not.
 22. And in the time of his
 distress did he trespass
 - yet more against the LORD: this is that king Ahaz.
- 23. For he sacrificed unto the gods of Damascus, which smote him:
 - ond he said, Because the gods of the kings of Syria help them, therefore will I sacrifice to them, that they may help me. But
- they were the ruin ofhim, and of all Israel.
- 24. And Ahaz gathered together the vessels of the house of God, and
- cut in pieces the vessels of the house of God,
- and shut up the doors
- of the house of the LORD, and he made him
- altars in every corner of
- Jerusalem. ■ 25. And in every several
- city of Judah he made
 high places to burn incens
 - high places to burn incense unto other gods, and
 - provoked to anger the

LORD God of his fathers.

26. Now the rest of his acts and of all his ways, first and last, behold, they

are written in the book of the kings of Judah and Israel.

27. And Ahaz slept with his fathers.

and they buried him in the city, even in Jerusalem; but they brought him not into the sepulchres of the kings of Israel:

and Hezekiah his son

■ reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 29

1. Hezekiah began to reign when he was five and ■ twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty **VEGIS** in Jerusalem. And his mother's name was Abijah, the daughter of Zechariah.

2. **Ånd** he

did that which was

right in the sight of the LORD, according to all that

David his father had done. 3. **He** in the first year of his

reign, in the first month. opened the doors of

the house of the LORD. and repaired them.

4. And he

brought in the

priests and the

Levites, and gathered them together into the east street.

5. And said unto them, Hear me, ye Levites,

sanctify now

yourselves, and sanctify

the house of the

LORD God of your fathers.

and carry forth

the filthiness out of

the holy place.

6. For our fathers have

trespassed, and done that which was evil in the eyes of the LORD our God, and have forsaken him, and have

turned away their faces

from the habitation of

the LORD, and turned their backs. 7. Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps. and have not burned incense nor offered burnt offerings in the holy place unto the God of Israel.

8. Wherefore the wrath of the LORD was upon Judah and Jerusalem.

and he hath

delivered them to trouble. to astonishment, and to hissing.

as ve see with your eyes.

9 For lo

our fathers have fallen by the sword, and our sons and our

dauahters and our

wives *are* in captivity

for this.

10 Now it is in mine heart to make a covenant with the LORD God of Israel.

that his fierce

wrath may turn away from us.

11. My sons.

be not now negligent: for

the LÖRD hath chosen you to stand before him.

> to serve him, and that ye should minister unto him, and burn incense.

12. Then the Levites grose. Mahath the son of Amasai, and Joel the son of Azariah, of the sons of the Kohathites: and of the sons of Merari, Kish the son of Abdi, and Azariah the son of Jehalelel: and of the Gershonites: Joah the son of Zimmah, and Eden the son of Joah: And of the sons of Elizaphan: Shimri, and Jeiel: and of the sons of Asaph: Zechariah, and Mattaniah: 14. And of the sons of Heman: Jehiel, and Shimei: and of the sons of

15. **And** they gathered their brethren, and

sanctified themselves,

and came, according to the commandment of the king,

Jeduthun; Shemaiah, and Uzziel.

II CHRONICLES 29 by the words of the LORD. to cleanse the house of the LORD. 16. And the priests went into the inner part of the house of the LORD, to cleanse it. and brought out all the uncleanness that they found in the temple of the LORD into the court of the house of the LORD. And the Levites took it, to carry it out abroad into the brook Kidron. 17. Now they began on the first day of the first month to sanctify, and on the eighth day of the month came they to the porch of the LORD: so they sanctified the house of the LORD in eight days; I and in the sixteenth day of the first month they made an end. 18. Then they went in to Hezekiah the king. and said. We have cleansed all the house of the LORD. **and the altar** of burnt offering. with all the vessels thereof. and the shewbread table, with all the vessels thereof 19. Moreover all the vessels, which king Ahaz in his reign did cast away in his transgression, have We prepared and sanctified, and, behold, they are before the altar of the LORD. 20 Then Hezekigh the king rose early, and gathered the rulers of the city, and went up to the house of the LORD. 21. And they brought

seven bullocks, and

for the kingdom, and for the

sanctuary, and for Judah.

seven lambs, and seven

he agats, for a sin offerina

seven rams, and

And he commanded the priests the sons of Aaron to offer them on the altar of the LORD. 22. So they killed the bullocks, and the priests received the blood, and sprinkled it on the altar: likewise, when they had killed the rams, they sprinkled the blood upon the altar: they killed also the lambs, and they sprinkled the blood upon the altar. 23. And they brought forth the he goats for the sin offering before the king and the congregation; and they laid their hands upon them: 24. And the priests killed them, and they made reconciliation with their blood upon the altar, to make an atonement for all israel: for the king commanded that the burnt offering and the sin offering should be made for all Israel. 25. And he set the Levites in the house of the LORD with cymbals, with psalteries, and with harps, according to the commandment of David, and of Gad the king's seer. and Nathan the prophet: for so was the commandment of the LORD by his prophets. 26. And the Levites stood with the instruments of David. and the priests with the trumpets. 27. And Hezekiah commanded to offer the burnt offering upon the altar. And when the burnt offering began, the song of the LORD **began** *also* with the trumpets, and with the instruments ordained by David king of Israel. 28. And all the congregation worshipped. and the singers sang, and the trumpeters sounded: and all this continued until the burnt offering was finished.

29. And when they had made an

end of offering, the king and all that were present with him bowed themselves, and worshipped.

30. Moreover Hezekiah the king and the princes commanded the Levites to sing praise unto the LORD with the words of David, and of Asaph the seer. And they

sang praises

with gladness, and they bowed their heads

and worshipped.

31. **Then Hezekiah** answered and

said, Now

ye have consecrated vourselves unto the

LORD, come near and

bring sacrifices and
 thank offerings into the house

of the LORD. And the congregation brought in sacrifices and thank offerings; and as many as were of a free heart burnt offerings.

 32. And the number of the burnt offerings, which the congregation brought,

■ was threescore and■ ten bullocks, an hundred

rams, and two hundred lambs: all these were for a

burnt offering to the LORD.

33. And the consecrated things were six hundred oxen and three thousand

sheep.

■ 34. But the priests were too few, so that they could

not flay all the burnt offerings:

Wherefore their brethren

the Levites did help them,

till the work was

ended, and until the other priests had

sanctified themselves:

for the Levites were more upright in heart

to sanctify themselves

35. And also the burnt offerings were in abundance, with the fat of the peace offerings, and the drink

offerings for every burnt offering.

So the service of the house of the LORD was set

of the LORD was se

36. And Hezekiah rejoiced, and all the people, that God had prepared the people: for the thing was *done* suddenly.

CHAPTER 30

1. And Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote

■ letters also to

Ephraim and Manasseh,

■ that they should come to the house of the LORD at

keep the passover

unto the LORD God of Israel.

For the king had taken counsel, and his princes, and all the congregation in Jerusalem, to keep the passover

in the second month.

3. For they could not keep
 it at that time, because the
 priests had not sanctified

Themselves sufficiently, neither had the people gathered themselves together to Jerusalem.

4. And the thing pleased the king and all the congregation.

5. So they established
a decree to make proclama

a decree to make proclamation throughout all Israel, from Beer-sheba even to Dan,

that they should cometo keep the passover

unto the LORD God of Israel
at Jerusalem: for they had
not done it of a long time in such
sort as it was written.

■ 6. **So** the posts

■ went with the

■ letters from the king and his princes

throughout all Israel and Judgh, and according

and Judah, and according to the commandment of the king,

saying, Ye children of Israel, turn again unto

the LORD God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel.

and he will return

to the remnant of VOU. that are escaped out of the hand of the kings of Assyria. 7. And be not ve like your fathers, and like your brethren, which trespassed against the LORD God of their fathers who therefore gave them up to desolation, as ve see. 8. Now be ye not stiffnecked, as your fathers were, but vield vourselves unto the LORD, and enter into his sanctuary, which he hath sanctified for ever; and serve the LORD your God, that the fierceness of his wrath may turn away from you. 9. For if ye turn again unto the LORD, your brethren and your children shall find compassion before them that lead them captive, so that they shall come again into this land: for the LORD your God is gracious and merciful, and will not turn away his face from you, if ye return unto him. 10. So the posts passed from city to city through the country of Ephraim and Manasseh even unto Zebulun: but they laughed them to SCOIN, and mocked them. 11. Nevertheless divers of Asher and Manasseh and of Zebulun humbled themselves. and came to Jerusalem. 12. Also in Judah the hand ■ of God was to give them one heart to do the commandment of the king and of the princes, by the word of the LORD.

13. And there

assembled at Jerusalem

much people to keep

the feast of unleavened **bread** in the second month a very great congregation. 14. And they arose and took away the altars that were in Jerusalem, and all the altars for incense took they away. and cast them into the brook Kidron. 15. Then they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the second month: and the priests and the Levites were ashamed, and sanctified themselves. and brought in the burnt offerings into the house of the LORD. And they stood in their place after their manner. according to the law of Moses the man of God; the priests sprinkled the blood, which they received of the hand of the Levites. 17. For there were many in the congregation that were not sanctified: therefore the Levites had the charae of the killing of the passovers for every one that was not clean, to sanctify them unto the LORD. 18. For a multitude of the people, even many of Ephraim, and Manasseh, Issachar, and Zebulun, had not cleansed themselves, yet did they eat the passover otherwise than it was written. But Hezekiah prayed for them, saying, The good LORD pardon every one 19. That prepareth his heart to seek God, the LORD God of his fathers, though he be not cleansed according to the purification of the sanctuary. 20. And the LORD hearkened to Hezekiah. and healed the people. 21. And the children of Israel that were present at Jerusalem kept the feast of unleavened bread seven days with great gladness; and the

Levites and the priests praised the LORD day by day, singing with loud instruments unto the LORD.

- 22. And Hezekiah spake comfortably unto all the
- Levites that taught the good knowledge of the LORD:
- and they did eat throughout
- the feast seven days.

offering peace offerings, and making confession to the LORD God of their fathers

- 23. And the whole
- assembly took counsel to keep other seven days; and they
- kept other seven days with aladness.
- 24. For Hezekiah king of Judah
- did give to the congregation
- a thousand bullocks
- and seven thousand
- sheep; and the princes
- **qave** to the congregation
- a thousand bullocks and ten thousand sheep; and a great number of priests
 - sanctified themselves.
- 25. And all the congregation of Judah, with the priests and the Levites, and all the congregation that came out of Israel, and the strangers that came out of the land of Israel, and
- that dwelt in
- Judah, rejoiced.
- 26. So there was areat
 - joy in Jerusalem:
- for since the time of
- Solomon the son of David king of Israel
- there was not the
- like in Jerusalem.

27. Then the priests the Levites arose and blessed the people; and their voice was heard, and their prayer came up to his holy dwelling place, even unto heaven.

CHAPTER 31

- I 1. Now when all
- this was finished, all
- Israel that were present
- went out to the cities of Judah,

and brake the

- images in pieces.
- and cut down the groves. and threw down the
- high places and the
- altars out of all Judah and
- Benjamin, in
 - Ephraim also
- and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.
 - 2 And Hezekigh
- appointed the courses of the priests and the Levites after their courses, every man according to his service, the priests and Levites for burnt offerings and for peace offerings.
- to minister, and to give thanks, and to praise
 - in the gates of the
- tents of the LORD.
- He appointed also
 - the king's

- portion of his substance
 - for the burnt offerings, to wit. for the morning and evening burnt offerings, and the burnt offerings for the sabbaths, and for the new moons, and for the set feasts.
- as *it is* written in the
- law of the LORD.
- 4 Moreover he commanded the
- people that dwelt
- in Jerusalem to give the portion of the priests and the Levites, that they might
- be encouraged in the law of the LORD.
- And as soon as the commandment came abroad, the children of
- Israel brought in abundance the firstfruits of corn, wine, and oil, and honey, and
- of all the increase of the field; and the tithe of all
- **things** brought they in abundantly. 6. And concerning the children
 - of Israel and Judah, that

dwelt in the cities of Judah,

■ they also

■ brought in the tithe of

oxen and sheep, and the

sheep, and the tithe of holy things

which were consecrated

■ unto the LORD their God,■ and laid them by heaps.

7. In the third month they began to lay the foundation of the heaps, and finished *them* in the seventh month.

8. And when Hezekiah
and the princes came and
saw the heaps, they

blessed the LORD, and his people Israel.

9. Then Hezekiah questioned with the priests and the Levites concerning the heaps.

10. And Azariah the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and

said, Since the people
 began to bring the offerings
 into the house of the LORD.

we have had enough to eat,
 and have left plenty: for the
 LORD hath blessed his people; and
 that which is left is this great store.

11. Then Hezekiah
 commanded to prepare
 chambers in the house of the
 LORD; and they prepared them.

12. And brought in the offerings and the

ine offerings and the
 tithes and the
 dedicated things

faithfully:

over which Cononiah the Levite was ruler, and

Shimei his brother was the next.

13. And Jehiel, and Azaziah, and Nahath, and Asahel, and Jerimoth, and Jozabad, and Eliel, and Ismachiah, and Mahath, and Benaiah, were overseers under the hand of Cononiah and Shimei his brother, at the commandment of Hezekiah the king, and Azariah the ruler of the house of God.

14. **And Kore** the son of Imnah the Levite.

the porter toward the east, was over the freewill offerings of God.

to distribute the
oblations of the LORD,
and the most holy things.

■ 15. And next him

Were Eden, and Miniamin, and Jeshua, and Shemaiah, Amariah, and Shecaniah, in the cities of

■ the priests, in their set office, to give to their brethren by courses, as well to the great as to the small:

16. Beside their genealogy of males, from three years old and upward, even unto every one that entereth into the house of the LORD, his daily portion for their service in their charges according to their courses;

17. Both to the genealogy of the priests by the house of their fathers, and the Levites from twenty years old and upward, in their charges by their courses;

18. And to the genealogy of all their little ones, their wives, and their sons, and their daughters, through all the congregation:

for in their set office

they sanctified
themselves in holiness:

19. Also of the sons of Aaron the priests, which were in the fields of the suburbs of their cities, in every several city, the men that were expressed by name, to give portions to all the males among the priests, and to all that were reckoned by genealogies among the Levites.

20. And thus did
 Hezekiah throughout
 all Judah, and wrought

that which was goodand right and truth

■ before the LORD his God.

21. And in every work that he began in the service

of the house of God, and in the law, and in the commandments,

■ to seek his

| God, he did it with all

his heart, and prospered.

CHAPTER 32

- 1. After these things, and the establishment thereof,
- Sennacherib king of
- Assyria came, and entered
- into Judah, and encamped against the fenced cities,

and thought to win them for himself.

- 2 And when Hezekigh saw that Sennacherib
- Was come, and that he was
- purposed to fight against Jerusalem,
 - 3. He took counsel with his princes and his mighty men
- to stop the waters of the fountains which
- were without the city: and they did help him.
 - 4. So there was
- gathered much people together.
- | who stopped all the
- fountains, and the brook that ran through the midst of
- the land, saying, Why
- should the kings of Assyria
 - come, and
- find much
- water?
 - 5. Also he
 - strengthened himself, and
- builf up all
- the wall that was broken. and raised it up to the towers,

and another wall without, and repaired Millo in the city of David,

- and made darts and shields in abundance.
 - 6. And he set captains of war over the people, and gathered them together to him in the street of the gate of the city, and
- spake comfortably
- to them, saying,
- 7. Be strong and
- courageous, be not
- afraid nor dismayed for
- the king of Assyria, nor for all the multitude that is with him: for there be more with us than with him:
- 8. With him is an arm
- of flesh; but with us

is the LORD our God to help us, and to fight our battles. And the people rested

themselves upon the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.

After this did

Sennacherib king of Assyria send his servants to Jerusalem. (but he himself laid siege against Lachish, and all his power with him.) unto Hezekiah king of Judah, and unto all Judah that were at Jerusalem.

saying,

10. Thus saith Sennacherib king of Assyria.

Whereon do ye trust, that ve abide in the siege in Jerusalem?

11. Doth not Hezekiah persuade vou

to give over yourselves

to die by famine and by thirst, savina. The LORD our

God shall deliver us out of the hand of the king of Assyria? 12. Hath not the same

Hezekiah taken away his

high places and his altars. and commanded

Judah and Jerusalem,

saying. Ye shall worship before one altar.

and burn incense upon it?

13. Know ye not what I and my fathers

have done unto all the people of

other lands? were the gods of the nations

of those lands any ways

able to deliver their lands out of mine hand?

14. Who was there

among all

the gods of those nations that my fathers utterly destroyed, that

could deliver his people 8 out of mine hand, that your

God should be able to deliver you out of mine hand?

15. Now therefore

let not Hezekiah deceive

YOU, nor persuade you on this

manner, neither vet believe him; for **no god** of any nation or kingdom was able to deliver his

people out of mine hand, and out of the hand of my fathers:

how much less shall vour God deliver vou out of mine hand?

16. And his servants spake vet more

against the LORD God. and against his servant

Hezekiah

17 He wrote also letters to rail on the LORD God of Israel. and to speak against him, saving. As the gods of the nations of other lands have not delivered their people out of mine hand, so shall not the God of Hezekiah deliver his people out of mine hand.

18. Then they cried with a loud voice in the Jews' speech unto the people of Jerusalem that were on the wall

to affright them, and to trouble them; that they might take the city.

19. **And** thev

spake against the God of **Jerusalem**, as against the gods of the people of the earth, which were the work of the hands of man.

20 And for this cause Hezekiah the kina.

and the prophet ■ Isaiah the son of Amoz

prayed and cried to heaven.

21. And the LORD sent an angel, which cut off all ■ | the mighty men of valour,

and the leaders and captains in the camp of the king of

Assyria. So he returned with shame of face

to his own land. And when

he was come into the house of his god, they

that came forth of his own bowels **slew him** there with the sword.

22. Thus the LORD saved

Hezekiah and the inhabitants of

Jerusalem from the

hand of Sennacherib the king of Assyria, and from the hand of all other, and guided them on every side.

23. And many brought aifts unto the LORD to Jerusalem.

and presents to Hezekiah king of Judah:

so that he was magnified in the sight of all nations from thenceforth.

24. In those days Hezekiah was sick to the death.

and prayed unto the LORD:

and he spake unto him, and

he gave him a sian.

25. **But Hezekiah -** 1 rendered not again

according to the benefit done unto him: for his

heart was lifted up:

therefore there was

wrath upon him, and upon

Judah and Jerusalem. 26. Notwithstandina

Hezekiah humbled

himself for the pride of his heart.

both he and the

inhabitants of Jerusalem.

so that the wrath of the LORD came not upon them

in the days of Hezekiah. 27. And Hezekiah

had exceeding much

riches and honour:

and he made himself treasuries for silver, and for gold.

and for precious stones, and for spices, and for shields, and for

all manner of pleasant jewels;

28. Storehouses also for the increase of corn, and wine, and oil: and stalls for all manner of beasts, and cotes for flocks.

29. Moreover he

provided him

cities, and possessions of flocks and herds

in abundance: for God had

aiven him substance very much.

30. This same

Hezekiah also

- stopped the upper watercourse of Gihon.
- and brought it straight down
- to the west side
- of the city of David.
- And Hezekiah prospered in all his works.
- 31 Howbeit in the business of
- the ambassadors of the princes
- of Babylon, who
- sent unto him
- to inquire of the wonder that was done
- in the land. God left
- him, to try him, that he might know all that was in
- his heart.
- 32 Now the rest of the acts of Hezekiah, and
 - his goodness, behold, they
- are written in the vision of Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz.
- and in
- the book of the
- kings of Judah and Israel.
- 33. And Hezekigh
- slept with his fathers, and they buried him in the chiefest of the sepulchres of the sons of David: and all Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem did him honour at his death.
- And Manasseh his son | ■ | reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 33

- 1. Manasseh was
- twelve years old
- when he began to reign,
- and he reigned fifty and
 - five years in Jerusalem:
- 2. But did that which was
- evil in the sight of the LORD. like unto the abominations of the heathen, whom the LORD had cast
- out before the children of Israel. 3. For he built again the
- high places which
- Hezekiah his father
- had broken down, and he
- reared up altars for

- **Baalim**, and made groves, and worshipped all the host of heaven. and served them.
- 4. Also he built altars in the house of the LORD, whereof the LORD had said. In Jerusalem shall my name be for ever.
 - And he built altars.
- for all
- the host of heaven in the two courts of the house of the LORD. -
 - 6 And he
- caused his children to pass through the
- fire in the valley of the son of Hinnom:
- also he observed times, and
- used enchantments, and used witchcraft, and dealt with
- a familiar spirit, and with
 - wizards: he wrought much evil in the sight of the LORD. to provoke him to anger.
- 7. And he set a carved
- image, the idol which he had made, in the house of God, of which

God had said to David and to Solomon his son. In this house, and in Jerusalem, which I have chosen. before all the tribes of Israel, will I put my name for ever:

- 8. Neither will I any more remove the foot of Israel from out of the land which I have appointed for your fathers; so that they will take heed to do all that I have commanded them, according to the whole law and the statutes and the ordinances by the hand of Moses.
- So Manasseh made Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem to
- err, and to do
- worse than the heathen. whom the LORD had destroyed before the children of Israel.
- And the LORD spake to Manasseh, and to his people:
- but they would not hearken.
- 11. Wherefore the
- LORD brought upon them the captains of

- II CHRONICLES 34 the host of the king of Assyria, which fook **=**| Manasseh among the thorns, and bound him with fetters. and carried him ■ to Babylon. 12. And when he was in affliction, he besought the LORD his God, and humbled himself greatly before the God of his fathers. 13. And prayed unto him: and he was entreated of him, and heard his supplication. and brought him again to Jerusalem into his kingdom. Then Manasseh knew that the LORD he was God. 14. Now after this he built a wall without the city of David. on the west side of Gihon, in the valley, even to the entering in at the fish gate. and compassed about Ophel, and raised it up a very great height, and put captains of war in all the fenced cities of Judah. 15. And he took away the
 - of the LORD, and in Jerusalem,
 and cast them out
 of the city.

 16. And he repaired
 the altar of the LORD,
 and sacrificed thereon
 peace offerings and thank
 offerings, and commanded
 Judah to serve the LORD
 God of Israel

17. Nevertheless the

strange gods, and the idol

out of the house of the LORD.

and all the altars that he

had built in the mount of the house

unto the LORD their God only.
18. Now the rest of the acts of Manasseh, and his prayer unto his God, and the words of the seers that spake to him in the name of

people did sacrifice still

in the high places, yet

the LORD God of Israel, behold, they are written in the book
of the kings of Israel.

19. His prayer also, and how God was entreated of him, and all his sins, and his trespass, and the places wherein he built high places, and set up groves and graven images, before he was humbled: behold, they are written among the sayings of the seers.

20. So Manasseh slept with his fathers, and they buried him in his own house:

and Amon his son

■ reigned in his stead.

21. Amon was two
and twenty years old
when he began to
reign, and reigned

two years in Jerusalem.

22. But he did that which was
 evil in the sight of the LORD,
 as did Manasseh his father:

for Amon sacrificed

■ unto all the

carved images which
Manasseh his father had

made, and served them:

23. And humbled nothimself before the LORD,

as Manasseh his father had humbled himself; but Amon trespassed more and more.

■ 24. And his servants

conspired against him,and slew him in his ow

and slew him in his own house.
25. But the people of the land

slew all them that had

■ conspired against king

Amon; and the people of the land

made Josiah his son

■ king in his stead.

CHAPTER 34

■ 1. Josiah *was* eight years ■ old when he began to

■ reign, and he

reigned in Jerusalem

one and thirty years.

2. And he did that which was right in the sight of the

■ LORD, and walked in the ways of

David his father, and declined *neither* to the right hand, nor to the left.

3. For in the eighth year of his reign, while he was yet young.

he began to seek after the

■ God of David his father:

and in the twelfth year he began to purge

Judah and Jerusalem

from the high places, and the

groves, and the

carved images,

■ and the

molten images.

4. And they brake down the altars of Baalim in his presence; and the images, that were on high above them, he cut down; and the groves, and the carved images, and the molten images, he brake in pieces, and made dust of them, and strowed it upon the graves of them that had sacrificed unto them.

- And he burnt the bones of the priests upon their altars, and cleansed Judah and Jerusalem.
- 6. And so did he in the cities of Manasseh, and Ephraim, and Simeon, even unto Naphtali, with their mattocks round about.
- And when he had broken down the altars and the groves, and had beaten the graven images into powder, and cut down all the idols

throughout all the land
of Israel, he returned
to Jerusalem.

8. Now in the eighteenth
 year of his reign, when he
 had purged the land, and the house.

he sent Shaphan the son

of Azaliah, and Maaseiah

the governor of the

city, and Joah the son of Joahaz the recorder.

■ to repair the house of the LORD his God.

9. And when they came to Hilkiah the high priest.

they delivered the money

that was brought into the house of God, which the Levites that kept the doors had gathered of the hand of Manasseh and Ephraim, and of all the remnant of Israel, and of all Judah and Benjamin; and they returned to Jerusalem.

10. And they put it in the hand of the workmen that had the oversight of the house of the LORD, and they gave it to the workmen that

to the workmen that
wrought in the house of
the LORD, to repair
and amend the house:

11. Even to the artificers and builders gave they it, to buy hewn stone, and timber for couplings, and to floor the houses which they have to be a time of

which the kings of
Judah had destroyed.

12. And the men did the

work faithfully: and the overseers of them were Jahath and Obadiah, the Levites, of the sons of Merari; and Zechariah and Meshullam, of the sons of the Kohathites, to set it forward; and other of the Levites, all that could skill of instruments of music.

13. Also they were over the bearers of burdens, and were overseers of all that wrought the work in any manner of service: and of the Levites there were scribes, and officers, and porters.

14. **And** when they brought out the money that was brought into the house of the LORD,

Hilkiah the priest found a
 book of the law of the LORD
 given by Moses.

15. And Hilkiah answered and said to Shaphan the scribe, I have found the book of the law in the house of the LORD.

■ And Hilkiah

delivered the book to Shaphan.

16. And Shaphan carried the book to the king, and brought the king word back again, saying, All that was committed to thy servants, they do it.

17. And they have gathered together the money that was found in the house of the LORD, and

have delivered it into the hand of the overseers, and to the hand of the workmen. 18. Then Shaphan the scribe told the king.

saying, Hilkiah

the priest hath given me a book. And Shaphan

read it before the king.

19. And it came to pass.

when the king had

heard the words of

the law, that

he rent his clothes.

20. And the king

commanded Hilkiah, and Ahikam the son of Shaphan. and Abdon the son of Micah, and Shaphan the scribe, and Asaiah a servant of the king's.

saying,

21. Go, inquire of the

LORD for me, and for them that are left in Israel and in Judah.

concerning the words of the book that is found:

for areat is the wrath of the

LORD that is poured out upon us. because our fathers have not kept the word of the

LORD, to do after all that is written in this book.

22. And Hilkiah, and they that the king had appointed.

went to Huldah the

prophetess, the wife of Shallum the son of Tikvath, the son of Hasrah, keeper of the wardrobe; (now she dwelt in Jerusalem in the college:)

■ and they

spake to her to that effect.

23. And she answered them. l Thus saith the

LORD God of Israel,

■ Tell ve

the man that sent you to me, 24. Thus saith the LORD.

Behold, I will bring evil upon this place, and upon the inhabitants thereof.

even all the curses that are written in the book which they have read before the king of Judah:

25. Because they have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, that they might provoke me to anger with all the works of their hands; therefore my wrath shall be poured out upon this place, and shall not be guenched.

26. And as for the kina of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the LORD, so shall ve say unto him, Thus saith the LÓRD

God of Israel concerning the words which thou hast heard:

27. Because thine heart was tender, and thou didst humble thyself before God. when thou heardest his words against this place, and against

the inhabitants thereof, and humbledst thyself before me, and didst rend thy clothes, and weep before me: I have even

heard thee also, saith the LORD. 28. Behold, I will gather

thee to thy fathers, and thou shalt be aathered to

thy grave in peace, neither shall thine eyes see all

the evil that

I will bring upon this place. and upon the inhabitants of the same. So they brought the king word again.

29. Then the king sent and

gathered together all the elders of Judah

and Jerusalem. 30. And the kina

went up into the house

of the LORD, and all the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and the priests, and the Levites,

and all the people,

great and small:

and he read in their ears all the words of the book of the covenant that was found. in the house of the LORD.

31. And the king stood in his place, and

made a covenant

■ before the LORD, to

walk after the LORD, and

to keep his

commandments, and his testimonies, and his statutes, with all his heart, and with all his soul, to perform the words of the covenant which are written in this book.

32. And he caused all that were present in Jerusalem and Benjamin

- to stand to it. And the inhabitants of Jerusalem did according to the covenant of God, the God of their fathers.
- 33. And Josiah took away
 all the abominations out
 of all the countries that
 pertained to the children of Israel.
- and made all that were present in
 - Israel to serve, even to
- serve the LORD their God.
- And all his days they
- departed not from following the LORD,
 - the God of their fathers.

CHAPTER 35

- 1. Moreover Josiah kept
 a passover unto the
- LORD in Jerusalem: and they killed the passover on the fourteenth day of the first month.
- 2. And he set the priests in their charges, and encouraged them to the service of the house of the LORD.
- 3. And said unto the Levites that taught all Israel, which were holy unto the LORD.
- Put the holy ark in the house which Solomon
- the son of David king of Israel did build; it shall not be a burden upon your shoulders: serve now the LORD your God, and his people Israel.
- 4. And prepare yourselves by the houses of your fathers, after your courses, according to the writing of David king of Israel, and according to the writing of Solomon his son.
- 5. And stand in the holy

- **place** according to the divisions of the families of the fathers of your brethren the people, and *after* the division of the families of the Levites
- 6. So kill the passover, and sanctify yourselves, and prepare your brethren, that they may do according to the word of the LORD by the hand of Moses.
 - 7. And Josiah gave to the people, of the flock, lambs and kids, all for the passover offerings, for all that were present, to the number of thirty thousand, and three thousand bullocks: these were of the king's substance.
 - 8. And his princes gave willingly unto the people, to the priests, and to the Levites: Hilkiah and Zechariah and Jehiel, rulers of the house of God, gave unto the priests for the passover offerings two thousand and six hundred small cattle and three hundred oxen.
 - Conaniah also, and Shemaiah and Nethaneel, his brethren, and Hashabiah and Jeiel and Jozabad, chief of the Levites, gave unto the Levites for passover offerings five thousand small cattle, and five hundred oxen.
- 10. So the service was prepared, and the priests stood in their place, and the Levites in their courses, according to the king's commandment.
- 11. And they killed
 the passover, and
 the priests sprinkled
 the blood from their hands,
 and the Levites
- I flayed them.
 - 12. And they removed the burnt offerings, that they might give according to the divisions of the families of the people, to offer unto the LORD, as it is written in the book of Moses. And so did they with the oxen.
- 13. And they roasted the passover with fire according to the ordinance:
- but the *other* holy
- offerings sod they in pots,

and in caldrons, and in pans, and divided them speedily among all

■ the people.

■ 14. And afterward

they made ready for themselves, and for

■ the priests: because

the priests the sons of Aaron were busied in offering of

burnt offerings and the fat until night; therefore the Levites prepared for themselves, and for the priests the sons of Aaron.

■ 15. And the singers the sons of Asaph

were in their place, according to the commandment of David, and Asaph, and Heman, and Jeduthun the king's seer; and the porters waited at every gate; they might not depart from their service; for their brethren the Levites prepared for them.

16. So all the service of the LORD

was prepared the same day, to keep the passover, and to offer burnt offerings upon the altar of the LORD, according to the commandment of king Josiah.

17. And the children of Israel that were present kept the passover at that time, and the feast of unleavened bread seven days

18. And there was no passover like to that kept in Israel from the days of Samuel the prophet; neither did

all the kings of Israel keep such a passover as Josiah kept, and the priests, and the Levites, and all Judah and Israel that were present, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

19. In the eighteenth year of the reign of Josiah was this passover kept.
20. After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple,

■ Necho king of Egypt
■ came up to fight against

■ Charchemish by Euphrates:

and Josiah wentout against him.

■ 21. But he sent

ambassadors to him.

saying, What have I to do with thee.

thou king of Judah? I come not against thee this day.

but against the house

wherewith I have war:

■ for God commanded

me to make haste: forbear thee from *meddling with* God, who *is* with me, that he

■ destroy thee not.

22. Nevertheless Josiah
 would not turn his face
 from him, but disguised

himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God,

and came to fight inthe valley of Megiddo.

23. And the archers shot
 at king Josiah; and the
 king said to his servants.

Have me away; for

l am sore

■ wounded.

24. His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and

put him in the second

chariot that he had; and they

brought him to Jerusalem, and he died, and was

buried in one of the sepulchres of his fathers.

And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.

25. And Jeremiah lamented for Josiah: and all the

singing men and the singing

women spake of Josiah in their lamentations to this day, and made them an

this day, and made them an ordinance in Israel: and, behold, they are written in the lamentations.

26. Now the rest of the acts

of Josiah, and his goodness, according to that which was written in the law of the LORD,

27. And his deeds, first and last, behold, they

■ are written in the book of

■ the kings of Israel and Judah.

CHAPTER 36

■ 1 1. Then the people of the land took Jehoahaz

the son of Josiah.

and made him king in his father's stead in Jerusalem.

■ 2. Jehoghaz was twenty and

■ | three years old

when he began to

reign, and he

reigned three months in Jerusalem.

3. And the king of Egypt put

him down at Jerusalem, and condemned the land in an hundred talents of silver and a talent of gold

4. And the king of Egypt

made Eliakim his brother king over Judah and Jerusalem.

and turned his name to

Jehojakim, And Necho

took Jehoahaz his brother, and carried him

to Eavpt.

5. Jehoiakim was twenty and

five years old when he began to reign.

and he reigned eleven

Vears in Jerusalem:

and he

did that which was evil in the sight of the LORD his God.

6. Against him came up

Nebuchadnezzar king

of Babylon, and bound him in fetters.

to carry him to Babylon.

7. Nebuchadnezzar

also carried of

the vessels of the house

of the LORD to Babylon, and put them in his

■ I temple at Babylon.

8. Now the rest of the acts of **Jehoiakim**, and his abominations which he did, and that which

was found in him, behold, they

■ | are written in the book of ■ | the kings of Israel and Judah:

■ and Jehoiachin his son reigned in his stead.

■ 9. Jehoiachin was eight

vears old when he began to reign, and he reigned three months and ten days in Jerusalem:

and he

. did that which was

evil in the sight of the LORD.

> 10. And when the year was expired, king

Nebuchadnezzar sent, and brought him to Babylon.

with the goodly

vessels of the house of the LORD, and made

Zedekiah his brother

king over Judah and Jerusalem.

11. Žedekiah was one and twenty years old when he began to reign,

and reigned eleven

vears in Jerusalem.

12. **And** he

did that which was

evil in the siaht of the LORD his God.

and humbled not himself

before Jeremiah the prophet speaking from the mouth of the LORD

13. **And** he

also rebelled against king Nebuchadnezzar, who had made him swear by God: but he stiffened his neck, and hardened his heart from turning unto the

LORD God of Israel.

Moreover all the chief of the

priests, and the people,

transaressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen: and polluted the house of the LORD which he had hallowed

in Jerusalem.

And the LORD God of their fathers

sent to them by

his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending:

because he had compassion on his

people, and on his dwelling place:

16. But they mocked the

	messengers of God, and despised his words,
_	and misused his prophets,
	until the wrath of the
	LORD arose against his
	people, till there was no remedy.
	17. Therefore he
	brought upon them
	the king of the

- Chaldees, who slew their young
- men with the sword
- in the house of
- their sanctuary, and
 - had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand.
- 18. And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house. of the LORD, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all these
- he brought to Babylon. ■ 19. And they burnt the
- house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all
- the palaces thereof with fire,
- and destroyed all
- the goodly vessels thereof. ■ 20. And them that had
- **escaped** from the sword
- carried he away to
- Babylon; where they were
 - servants to him and his sons

- until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:
- 21. To fulfil the word of the
- LORD by the mouth of
 - **Jeremiah**, until the land had enioved her sabbaths:
- for as long as
- she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil
- threescore and ten years.
- 22. Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that
- the word of the LORD spoken
- by the mouth of
- Jeremiah might be accomplished, the LORD stirred up the spirit of
- Cyrus king of Persia, that he made a proclamation

throughout all his kingdom. and put it also in writing,

- saying,
 - 23. Thus saith Cyrus king of Persia,
- All the kinadoms of
- the earth hath the
- LORD God of heaven
- given me; and he hath
- charged me to build him an house in Jerusalem.
 - which is in Judah.
- Who *is there* among you
 - of all his people?
- The LORD his
- God be with him,
- and let him go up.

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CHAPTER 1

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- the word of the LORD
 - by the mouth of
- Jeremiah might be fulfilled. ■ the LORD stirred up the spirit of
- | Cyrus king of Persia.
- that he made a ■ proclamation throughout
 - all his kingdom, and put it also in writing.
- sayina.
- 1 2. Thus saith
- Cyrus king of Persia,
- The LORD God of heaven hath given me all the
- kingdoms of the earth; and he hath charged me to
- build him an house at
- Jerusalem, which is in Judah.
- 3. Who is there
- **among you** of all his people? his
- God be with him,
- and let him go up
- to Jerusalem, which is in Judah,
- and build the house
- of the LORD
- God of Israel, (he is the
 - God,) which is in Jerusalem. 4. And whosoever
- remaineth in any place
- where he sojourneth,
- **let the men** of his place help him with silver, and with
- gold, and with
- goods, and with beasts.
- beside the freewill offering for the house
- of God that is in Jerusalem.
- 5. Then rose up the chief of the fathers of Judah and Benjamin, and
- the priests, and the Levites, with
- all them whose spirit
- God had raised, to go up to build the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem.
- 6. And all
- they that
- were about them
- strengthened their hands with vessels of silver, with gold, with goods, and with beasts, and

- with precious things. beside all that was
- willingly offered.
- 7. Also Cyrus the king
- brought forth
- the vessels of the house of the LORD, which
 - Nebuchadnezzar had
- brought forth out of Jerusalem, and had
- **put** them
- in the house of his gods:
 - 8. Even those did Cyrus king of Persia bring forth by the hand of Mithredath the treasurer, and numbered them unto Sheshbazzar. the prince of Judah.
 - And this is the number. of them: thirty chargers of gold, a thousand chargers of silver, nine and twenty knives,
 - 10. Thirty basins of gold, silver basins of a second sort four hundred and ten, and other vessels a thousand.
- 11. All the vessels
- **.** ! of gold and of
- silver were
- five thousand and
- four hundred. All these
- did Sheshbazzar
- bring up with them of the captivity that were brought up
- from Babylon unto |■| Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 Now these are the children of the province that
- went up out of the
- captivity, of those which had been carried away, whom Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away unto
- Babylon, and came again unto Jerusalem and Judah, every one unto his city;
 - Which came
- with Zerubbabel: Jeshua. Nehemiah, Seraiah, Reelaiah, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mizpar, Bigvai, Rehum, Baanah, The number of the men of the people of Israel:

715 The children of Parosh. two thousand an hundred seventy and two. 4. The children of Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two. 5. The children of Arah, seven hundred seventy and five. 6. The children of Pahath-moab. of the children of Jeshua and Joab, two thousand eight hundred and twelve. 7. The children of Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. 8. The children of ■ Zattu, nine hundred forty and five. 9. The children of Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore. 10. The children of Bani, six hundred forty and two. 11. The children of Bebai, six hundred twenty and three. 12. The children of Azgad, a thousand two hundred twenty and two. 13. The children of Adonikam, six hundred sixty and six. 14. The children of Bigvai, two thousand fifty and six. 15. The children of Adin, four hundred fifty and four. 16. The children of Afer of Hezekiah, ninety and eight. 17. The children of Bezai, three hundred twenty and three. 18. The children of Jorah, an hundred and twelve.

19. The children of

twenty and three.

20. The children of

21. The children of

twenty and three.

22. The men of

Hashum, two hundred

Gibbar, ninety and five.

Beth-lehem, an hundred

Netophah, fifty and six. 23. The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight. 24. The children of Azmaveth, forty and two. 25. The children of Kirjath-arim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred and forty and three. 26. The children of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one. 27. The men of Michmas. an hundred twenty and two. 28. The men of Beth-el and Ai. two hundred twenty and three. 29. The children of **Nebo.** fifty and two. 30. The children of Magbish, an hundred fifty and six. 31. The children of the other Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. 32. The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty. 33. The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and five. 34. The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five. 35. The children of Senach, three thousand and six hundred and thirty. 36. The priests: the children of Jedaiah. of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three. 37. The children of **Immer,** a thousand fifty and two. 38. The children of Pashur, a thousand two hundred forty and seven. 39. The children of Harim, a thousand and seventeen. 40. The Levites: the children of Jeshua and Kadmiel, of the children of Hodaviah, seventy and four. 41. The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred twenty and eight. 42. The children of the porters: the children of Shallum.

the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, in all an hundred thirty and nine.

43. The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hasupha, the children of Tabbaoth.

> 44. The children of Keros. the children of Siaha, the children of Padon.

The children of Lebanah. the children of Hagabah, the children of Akkub.

46. The children of Hagab. the children of Shalmai, the children of Hanan

The children of Giddel. the children of Gahar, the children of Reaiah.

48. The children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda, the children of Gazzam. 49. The children of Uzza, the children

of Paseah, the children of Besai.

50. The children of Asnah, the children of Mehunim. the children of Nephusim.

The children of Bakbuk. the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur.

52. The children of Bazluth. the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha.

The children of Barkos. the children of Sisera, the children of Thamah.

54. The children of Neziah. the children of Hatipha.

55. The children of Solomon's servants: the children of Sotai. the children of Sophereth, the children of Peruda.

56. The children of Jaalah. the children of Darkon, the children of Giddel.

57. The children of Shephatiah, the children of Hattil, the children of Pochereth of Zebaim, the children of Ami.

■ | 58. All the Nethinims, and ■ the children of Solomon's servants, were three hundred ninety and two.

they which went up from Tel-melah, Tel-harsa, Cherub Addan, and Immer: but they could not shew their father's house, and their seed

whether they were of Israel:

59. And these were

60. The children of Delaiah, the children of Tobiah, the children of Nekoda, six hundred fifty and two.

61. And of the children of the priests: the children of Habaiah, the children of

Koz, the children of

Barzillai: which took a wife of

the daughters of Barzillai the Gileadite, and was called

after their name:

62. These sought their register among those that were reckoned by genealogy.

but they were not found:

therefore were they, as polluted.

put from the priesthood. 63. And the Tirshatha

said unto them, that

they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest

with Urim and with

Thummim.

64. The whole congregation together

was forty and

two thousand three

hundred and threescore. 65. **Beside their servants**

and their maids, of whom there were seven thousand three

hundred thirty and

seven: and there were

amona them two hundred singing men and singing women.

66. Their horses were seven hundred thirty and six; their mules, two hundred forty and five;

67. Their camels, four hundred thirty and five: their asses, six thousand seven hundred and twenty.

- 1 68. And some of
- the chief of the
- fathers, when they
- came to the house
- of the LORD which is
- at Jerusalem, offered freely for the house of
- God to set it up in his place:
- 69. **They gave** after their ability unto the treasure of the work
- threescore and one
- thousand drams of gold,
- and five thousand pound
- of silver, and one hundred priests garments.
- 70. **SO** the priests, and the Levites, and *some* of
- the people, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims,
- dwelt in their cities, and all
- Israel in their cities.

CHAPTER 3

- 1 1. And when
 - the seventh month was come, and the children of Israel were in the cities.
- the people gathered

themselves together as one man

- to Jerusalem.
- 2. Then stood up
 - Jeshua the son of Jozadak,
- and his brethren
- the priests, and
- Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel,
- and his brethren, and
- builded the altar of
 - the God of Israel,
- to offer burnt offerings

thereon, as it is written in the law of Moses the man of God.

- 3. And they set the altar upon his bases; for
- fear *was* upon them
- because of the people
- of those countries:
- and they offered burnt
- offerings thereon
- unto the LORD, even
- burnt offerings morning and evening.
- 4. They kept also the
 - feast of tabernacles,

- as it is written, and offered the daily burnt offerings by number, according to the custom,
- as the duty of every day required:
- 5. And afterward offered
- the continual burnt
 offering, both of the
 new moons, and of all the
- new moons, and of all the set feasts of the LORD that were consecrated.
- and of
- every one that willingly
 offered a freewill
 offering unto the LORD.
- 6. From the first day of
- the seventh month began
- offer burnt offerings
 unto the LORD.
- But the foundation of
- the temple of the LORD was not yet laid.
- 7. They gave money also unto the masons, and to the carpenters; and meat.
- and drink, and oil,
 - unto them of

- Zidon, and to them of
- Tyre, to bring cedar trees
 from Lebanon to the sea of
 Joppa, according to the grant that
- they had of Cyrus king of Persia.

 8. Now in the second year of their coming unto the house of God
- at Jerusalem, in the second month, **began** Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua the son of Jozadak, and the
- the priests and theLevites, and all they

remnant of their brethren

- that were come
- out of the captivity
- unto Jerusalem; and appointed the Levites, from twenty years old and upward,
- to set forward the work of the house of the LORD.
 - 9. Then stood Jeshua with his sons and his brethren, Kadmiel and his sons, the sons of Judah, together, to set forward the workmen in

the house of God: the sons of Henadad, with their sons and their brethren the Levites.

10. And when the builders

■ laid the foundation of the temple of the LORD,

■ they set the priests in

their apparel with trumpets, and the Levites the sons of Asaph with cymbals,

to praise the LORD, after the ordinance of David king of Israel.

11. And they sang

praising and giving thanks unto the LORD; because

he is good, for his mercy endureth for ever toward Israel. And all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

12. **But many of the** priests and Levites and chief of the fathers. who were

ancient men, that had
 seen the first house, when the foundation of this house was laid before their eyes.

■ wept with a loud voice;

■ and many

shouted aloud

■ for joy:

■ 13. So that the people could not discern the

could not discern t

noise of the shout of iov from the noise of the

weeping of the people: for the people shouted with a loud shout,

and the noise was

heard afar off.

CHAPTER 4

■ | 1. Now when the

adversaries of Judah

and Benjamin

■ heard that the children

of the captivity builded the

temple unto the LORD God of Israel:

 2. Then they came to Zerubbabel, and to the chief of the fathers. ■ I and said unto them.

Let us build with you: for we

■ seek your God, as ye do;

■ and we do

sacrifice unto him since the days of Esar-haddon king of Assur, which brought us up hither.

 3. But Zerubbabel, and Jeshua, and the rest of

■ the chief of the fathers

of Israel, said unto them,
Ye have nothing to do

with us to build an house unto our God: but

■ We ourselves together

will build unto the LORD God of Israel,

■ as king Cyrus the king of Persia

hath commanded us.

4. Then the people of the land weakened the hands of

the people of Judah, and

troubled them in building,

5. And hired counsellors

against them,

■ to frustrate their purpose,■ all the days of Cyrus

king of Persia, even

until the reign of Darius king of Persia.

6. And in the reign of

Ahasuerus, in the beginning of his reign,

■ wrote they unto him

an accusation against the inhabitants of

■ Judah and Jerusalem.

7. And in the days of Artaxerxes wrote Bishlam, Mithredath, Tabeel, and the rest of their companions, unto Artaxerxes king of Persia; and the writing of the letter was written in the Syrian tongue, and interpreted in the Syrian tongue.

8. Rehum the chancellor and Shimshai the scribe wrote a letter against Jerusalem to Artaxerxes the king in this sort:

 Then wrote Rehum the chancellor, and Shimshai the scribe, and the rest of their companions; the Dinaites, the Apharsathchites, the Tarpelites, the

Apharsites, the Archevites, the

Babylonians, the Susanchites, the Dehavites, and the Elamites,

10. And the rest of the nations whom the great and noble Asnapper brought over, and set in the cities of Samaria, and the rest that are on this side the river, and at such a time.

11. This is the copy of the letter that they sent unto him, even unto Artaxerxes the king; Thy servants the men on this side the river, and at such a time.

■ 12. **Be if known** unto the king,

that the Jews which came up from thee to us

are come unto Jerusalem, building the

rebellious and the bad city, and have set up the

■ walls thereof.

■ and joined the

■ foundations.

13. **Be if known** now unto the king, that,

if this city be builded, and the walls set up again,

then will they not pay toll, tribute, and custom,

■ and so thou shalt

endamage the revenueof the kings.

14. **Now** because we have maintenance from *the king's* palace, and it was not meet for us to see the king's dishonour,

therefore have we sent and certified the king;

15. That

 search may be made in the book of the records of thy fathers: so shalt thou find in the book of the records,

and know that

■ | this city

is a rebellious city, and hurtful unto kings and

provinces, and that

they have moved sedition within the same of old time:

for which cause was this city destroyed.

16. We certify the king

I that, if this city be builded

again, and the walls thereof set up, by this means
 thou shalt have no point

thou shalt have no portion on this side the river.

17. *Then* sent the king an answer unto Rehum the

answer unto Rehum the chancellor, and to Shimshai the scribe, and to the rest of their companions that dwell in

Samaria, and *unto* the rest beyond the river, Peace, and at such a time.

18. The letter which ye sent unto us

hath been plainly read before me.

19. **And I** commanded, and search hath been made, and it is

found that this

city of old time hath

made insurrection against kings, and that rebellion and

sedition have been made therein.
20. There have been mighty kings also over Jerusalem, which have ruled over all countries beyond the river; and toll, tribute, and custom, was paid unto them.

21. **Give** ye now commandme

commandment to cause these men to cease, and

that this city be not

builded, until another commandment shall be given from me.

22. Take heed now that ye fail not to do this: why should damage grow to the hurt of the kings?

23. Now when the copy of king Artaxerxes'

letter was read before
Rehum, and Shimshai the scribe,

and their companions,
they went up in haste
to Jerusalem unto the Jews.

to Jerusalem unto the Jews,
 and made them to cease
 by force and power.

24 Then ceased the

■ Work of the house of God which is at Jerusalem. So it ceased

unto the second year of the reign of Darius

king of Persia.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 1. Then the prophets,
 - Haggai the prophet,
- and Zechariah the son of Iddo. prophesied unto the Jews
 - that were in Judah and Jerusalem in the name of the God
- of Israel, even unto them.
- 2. Then rose up Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel
- and Jeshua the son of Jozadak,
- and began to build the house of God

which is at Jerusalem; and with them were

- the prophets of God helping them.
- 3 At the same time
- came to them
- Tatnai, governor on this side the river.

and Shethar-boznai and their companions.

- and said thus unto them,
- Who hath commanded you to build this house.
- and to make up
- this wall?
 - 4. Then said we unto them after this manner.
- What are the names of the men that make ■ this building?
- But the eye of their God
- Was upon the elders of the Jews, that they
- could not cause them to
- cease, till the matter
- came to Darius: and
 - then they returned answer by letter concerning this matter.
- 6. The copy of the letter that **Tainai**, governor on this side the river, and Shethar-boznai and his companions the Apharsachites. which were on this side the river.
- sent unto Darius the king:
 - 7. They sent a letter unto him, wherein
- was written thus;

Unto Darius the king, all peace. 8. Be it known unto the

king, that we went into

- the province of
- Judea, to the house
- Of the great
- God, which is builded with great stones, and timber is laid in the walls. and this work goeth fast
 - on, and prospereth in their hands.
- 9. Then asked we those elders, and said unto them thus,
- Who commanded you to build this house.
- and to make up these walls? 10. We asked their names
- also, to certify thee, that we might write the names of the men that were the chief of them
- 11 And thus
- they returned us answer.
- saying, We are the servants of the God of
- heaven and earth, and build
- the house that
 - was builded these
- many years ago, which a great king of Israel builded and set up.
- 12. But after that
- our fathers had
- provoked the God of
 - heaven unto wrath, he gave them into the hand of
- Nebuchadnezzar the kina
- of Babylon, the Chaldean, who
- destroyed this house, and carried the people
 - away into Babylon. 13. But in the first year of
- Cyrus the

- king of Babylon the same king Cyrus
- made a decree to build this house of God.
- 14. And the vessels also
- of gold and silver of the house of God, which Nebuchadnezzar
- took out of the temple that was in Jerusalem, and brought them into the temple of Babylon, those
- did Cyrus the king
- take out of the temple of
- Babylon, and they were delivered unto one.
 - whose name was

Sheshbazzar, whom he had made governor:

15. And said unto him. Take these vessels, go, carry them into the temple that is in Jerusalem, and let the house of God be builded in his place.

16. **Then came** the same

Sheshbazzar, and laid

the foundation of the house of God which is in Jerusalem:

and since that time even until now

hath it been in

building, and yet it

is not finished.

17. **Now** therefore, if it seem good to the king, let there be

search made in

the king's treasure house. which is there at Babylon.

whether it be so, that

a decree was made

of Cyrus the king to build this house of God at Jerusalem.

and let the king send his pleasure to us

concerning this matter.

CHAPTER 6

1. Then Darius the king

made a decree, and search was made

in the house of the

rolls, where the treasures were laid up in Babylon.

2. And there was found at Achmetha, in the palace

that is in the province of the Medes. a roll, and therein was a record

thus written:

3. In the first year of

Cyrus the king the same Cyrus

the king made a decree concerning the house

of God at Jerusalem.

Let the house be builded.

the place where they offered sacrifices, and let the foundations thereof be strongly laid:

the height thereof threescore cubits

and the breadth thereof

threescore cubits:

4. With three rows of

areat stones, and a row of new timber: and let the expenses be given out of the king's house:

5. And also let the golden and silver

vessels of the house of God.

which Nebuchadnezzar

took forth

out of the temple which is at Jerusalem, and brought unto Babylon,

be restored, and

brought again

unto the temple which is

at Jerusalem, every one to his place, and place them in the house of God.

Now therefore, Tatnai, governor beyond the river. Shethar-boznai, and your companions the Apharsachites. which are beyond the river. be ye far from thence:

7 Let the work of this house of God

alone: let the governor of the Jews and the elders of the

Jews build this house of God in his place.

8. Moreover I make a decree what ye shall do to the elders of these Jews for the building of this house of God:

that of the king's goods, even of the tribute beyond the river, forthwith

expenses be given unto these men, that they be not hindered.

And that which they have need of, both young bullocks,

and rams, and lambs, for the burnt offerings of the God of heaven, wheat, salt, wine, and oil, according to the appointment of the priests which are at Jerusalem,

let it be given them day by day without fail:

10. That they may offer

sacrifices of sweet savours

unto the

God of heaven.

and pray for the life of

the king, and of his sons. 11 Also I have made a decree, that whosoever shall alter this word, let timber be pulled down from his house, and being set up. let him be hanged thereon: and let his house he made a dunghill for this 12 And the God that hath caused his name to dwell there destroy all kings and people, that **shall** put to their hand to alter and to destroy this house of God which is at Jerusalem. I Darius have made a decree; let it be done with speed. 13. Then Tatnai, governor on this side the river. Shethar-boznai, and their companions, according to that which Darius the king had sent, so they did speedily. 14. And the elders of the Jews builded, and they prospered through the prophesying of Haggai the prophet and Zechariah the son of Iddo. And they builded, and finished it. according to ■ the commandment of the God of Israel. and according to the commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes king of Persia. 15. And this house was finished on the third day of the month Adar, which was in the sixth year of the reign of Darius the king. 16. And the children of Israel, the priests, and the Levites, and the rest of the children of the captivity. kept the dedication of this ■ I house of God with joy. 17. And offered at the dedication of this house of God an hundred bullocks.

■ I two hundred rams, four

■ I twelve he goats,

hundred lambs; and for

a sin offering for all Israel,

according to the number of the tribes of Israel. 18. And they set the **priests** in their divisions. and the Levites in their courses. for the service of God. which is at Jerusalem: as it is written in the

book of Moses

19. **And** the children of the captivity kept the passover upon the fourteenth day of the first month.

20. For the priests and the Levites were purified together, all of them were pure, and killed the passover for all the children of the captivity. and for their brethren the priests. and for themselves.

21. And the children of Israel, which were come again out of captivity, and all such as had separated themselves unto them

from the filthiness of the heathen of the land. to seek the LORD

God of Israel, did eat.

22. And kept the feast of unleavened bread

seven days with joy:

for the LORD had made them joyful, and

= 1 turned the heart of the

king of Assyria unto them, to strengthen their hands

in the work of the house

■ of God, the God of Israel.

CHAPTER 7

1. Now after these things. in the reign of Artaxerxes king of Persia, Ezra the son of Serajah, the son of Azarjah, the son of Hilkiah.

- 2. The son of Shallum, the son of Zadok, the son of Ahitub,
- The son of Amariah, the son. of Azariah, the son of Meraioth,
- 4. The son of Zerahiah, the son of Uzzi, the son of Bukki,
- 5. The son of Abishua, the son

of Phinehas, the son of Eleazar, the son of Aaron the chief priest: 6. This Ezra

went up from Babylon; and he was a ready scribe in

the law of Moses, which the LORD God of Israel had given: and the king granted him all his request, according to the hand of the LORD his God upon him.

- 7. And there went up *some* of the children of Israel, and of the priests, and the Levites, and the singers, and the porters, and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the seventh year of Artaxerxes the king.
- 8. And he came to
 Jerusalem in the fifth
 month, which was in
 the seventh year

God upon him.

- of the king.

 9. For upon the first day of the first month began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his
- 10. For Ezra had prepared his heart to seek the law of the LORD, and to do it, and to teach in Israel statutes and judgments.
- 11. Now this is the copy of
 the letter that the king
 Artaxerxes gave unto Ezra

the priest, the scribe, even a scribe of the words of the commandments of the LORD, and of his statutes to Israel.

12. Artaxerxes, king of kings, unto Ezra the priest, a scribe of the law of the God of heaven, perfect peace, and at such a time.

13. I make a decree,
 that all they of the people of Israel, and of his priests and Levites, in my realm, which are minded of their own freewill to go up to Jerusalem.

go with thee.

14. Forasmuch as thou art sent of the king, and of his seven counsellors

to inquire concerning
 Judah and Jerusalem,
 according to the law of thy
 God which is in thine hand;

15. And to carry the silver and gold, which the king and his counsellors have freely offered unto the God of Israel, whose habitation is in Jerusalem.

16. And all the silver and gold that thou canst find in all the province of Babylon.

with the freewill offering of the people, and of the priests. offering willingly

for the house of their God which is in Jerusalem

17. That thou mayest
 buy speedily with this money
 bullocks, rams, lambs, with their meat offerings

with their meat offerings and their drink offerings.

and offer them upon the altar of the house of your
God which is in Jerusalem.

18. And whatsoever shall seem good to thee, and to thy brethren, to do with the rest of the silver and the gold, that do after the will of your God.

19. The vessels

also that are given thee

for the service of the house of thy God, those

deliver thou before the

20. And whatsoever more shall be needful

for the house of thy God, which thou shalt have occasion to bestow,

bestow if out of the king's treasure house.

21. And I, even I Artaxerxes the king, do make a decree to all the treasurers which are beyond the river, that

whatsoever Ezra the priest, the scribe of the law of the God of heaven,

shall require of you, it be done speedily,

22. Unto an hundred talents of silver,

and to an hundred measures of wheat. and to an hundred baths of wine, and to an hundred baths of oil, and salt without prescribing how much.

23. Whatsoever is ∎l ■ | commanded by the

God of heaven.

let it be diligently

done for the house of the God of heaven: for

why should there be wrath against the realm

of the king and his sons? 24. Also we certify you.

that touching any of

the priests and Levites, singers, porters,

■ Nethinims, or

ministers of this house of

God, it shall not be lawful ■ to impose toll, tribute.

or custom, upon them.

25. And thou, Ezra, after the wisdom of thy God. that is in thine hand.

set magistrates and iudges, which may judge all the people that are beyond

> the river, all such as know the laws of thy God: and teach ve them that know them not.

26. And whosoever will ■ not do the law of thy

God, and the law of the king, let judgment be

executed speedily upon

him, whether it be unto

death, or to

banishment, or to

confiscation of goods, or to

imprisonment.

27. Blessed be the

LORD God of our fathers. which hath put such a thing as

this in the king's heart, to

■ beautify the house of the

LORD which is in Jerusalem:

28. And hath extended mercy unto me before

the king, and his counsellors. and before all the king's mighty

princes. And I was strengthened as the

hand of the LORD my God was upon me, and I

gathered together out of Israel

■ Chief men to go up with me.

CHAPTER 8

1. These are now the chief of their fathers, and this is the genealogy of them that

went up with me from

Babylon, in the reign of Artaxerxes the king.

2. Of the sons of Phinehas:

Gershom: of the sons of Ithamar:

Daniel: of the sons of David:

Hattush.

Of the sons of Shechaniah. of the sons of Pharosh:

Zechariah: and

with him were reckoned. by genealogy of the males

an hundred and fifty.

4. Of the sons of Pahath-moab:

Elihoengi the son of Zerahiah.

and with him two

hundred males.

5. Of the sons of

Shechaniah; the son of Jahaziel,

and with him three

hundred males. 6. Of the sons also of Adin;

Ebed the son of

Jonathan, and with him

fifty males.

7. And of the sons of Elam:

Jeshaiah the son of Athaliah,

and with him

seventy males.

8. And of the sons of Shephatiah;

Zebadiah the son of Michael.

and with him fourscore males.

9. Of the sons of Joab;

Obadiah the son of Jehiel.

and with him

two hundred and

eighteen males.

10. And of the sons of

Shelomith: the son of Josiphiah,

and with him

an hundred and

threescore males.

And of the sons of Bebai;

Zechariah the son of Bebai,
and with him
twenty and
eight males.

■ 12. **And** of the sons of Azgad;

Johanan the

and with him

an hundred and ten males.

13. **And** of the last sons of Adonikam, whose names *are* these, **Eliphelet, Jeiel, and**

Shemaiah, and with them threescore males.

14. Of the sons also of Bigvai;

Uthai, and Zabbud,

seventy males.

15. And I gathered them

together to the river that runneth to Ahava: and there abode we in tents

three days: and I viewed
 the people, and the priests, and
 found there

■ none of the sons of Levi.

16. Then sent I for Eliezer, for Ariel, for Shemaiah, and for Elnathan, and for Jarib, and for Elnathan, and for Nathan, and for Zechariah, and for Meshullam,
 chief men; also for Jojarib.

and for Elnathan,
men of understanding.

17. And I sent them with commandment

unto Iddo the chief at the place Casiphia, and I told them what they should say unto Iddo,

■ and to

his brethren the Nethinims, at the place Casiphia,

that they should bring unto us
 ministers for the house
 of our God

18. And by the good hand of our God upon us

they brought us a man of understanding, of the sons of Mahli, the son of Levi, the son of Israel; and

Sherebiah, with his sonsand his brethren, eighteen;

■ | 19. And Hashabiah,

I and with him

Jeshaiah of the sons of Merari, his brethren and their sons, twenty;
 Also of the Nethinims, whom David and the princes had appointed

David and the princes had appointed for the service of the Levites,

wo hundred and

twenty Nethinims: all of them were expressed by name.

them were expressed by name. 21. **Then I proclaimed**

■ a fast there.

at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves

■ to seek of him

a right way for us, and for our little ones,

and for all our substance.
22. For I was ashamed to

require of the king a band of

soldiers and horsemen to help us against the

enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king,

saying, The hand of our God is upon all them for good

that seek him; but his power and his wrath is against all them that forsake him.

23. So we fasted and
besought our God for
this: and he was intreated of us.
24. Then I separated twelve of the chief of the priests,
Sherebiah, Hashabiah,

Sherebiah, Hashabiah,
 and ten of their brethren
 with them.

25. And weighed unto them the silver, and the

gold, and the vessels, even the offering of the house of our God, which the king.

and his counsellors,

and his lords, and all Israel there present,

■ had offered:

26. I even weighed unto their hand six hundred and fifty talents of silver, and silver vessels an hundred talents, and of gold an hundred talents;
27. Also twenty basons of gold, of

 Also twenty basons of gold, of a thousand drams; and two vessels of fine copper, precious as gold.

28. And I said unto them,
Ye are holy unto the LORD;
the vessels are holy also;
and the silver and the
gold are a freewill offering unto
the LORD God of your fathers.

29. Watch ye,

and keep them, until ye
 weigh them before the chief of the priests and the Levites, and chief of the fathers of Israel, at Jerusalem,
 in the chambers of the

in the chambers of the house of the LORD.

30. So took the priests and the Levites the weight of the silver, and the gold, and the vessels, to bring them to Jerusalem unto the house of our God.

■ 31. **Then we departed** from the river of Ahava on

■ the twelfth day of the first month,
to go unto Jerusalem: and

■ the hand of our

God was upon us, and he

 delivered us from the hand of the enemy, and of such as lay in wait by the way.

32. And we came toJerusalem, and abodethere three days.

33. Now on the fourth day was the silver and the gold
 and the vessels weighed in

the house of our God by the hand of Meremoth the son of Uriah the priest; and with him was Eleazar the son of Phinehas; and with them was Jozabad the son of Jeshua, and Noadiah the son of Binnui, Levites;

■ 34. By number and by weight of every one:

and all the weight was written at that time.

■ Written at that time. ■ 35. Also the children of

those that had been carried away,

which were come out of the captivity, offered burnt

offerings unto the God of Israel, twelve bullocks for all Israel,

■ ninety and

six rams, seventy and seven lambs, twelve he

goats for a sin offering: all this was a burnt offering

unto the LORD.

■ 36. And they delivered the king's commissions unto

the king's lieutenants,

■ and to the

■ **GOVERNORS** on this side the river:

and they furthered

the people, and the

■ house of God.

CHAPTER 9

1. Now when these thingswere done, the princes

■ came to me,

saying, The people of

Israel, and the priests, and the Levites.

have not separated themselves from the people of the lands, doing according to their abominations, even of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Perizzites, the Jebusites, the Ammonites, the Moabites, the Egyptians, and the Amorites.

2. For they have takenof their daughters

for themselves, and for their sons:

so that the holy seed have mingled themselves

■ with the people of those

lands: yea, the hand of the princes and rulers hath been chief in this trespass.

■ 3. And when I

■ heard this thing,

I rent my garment and my mantle, and plucked off the hair of my head and of my beard,

and sat down astonied.

■ 4. Then were assembled unto me every one that

■ trembled at the words of the God of Israel.

because of the

transgression of those that had been carried away; and I sat astonied until the evening sacrifice.

5. And at the evening

sacrifice I arose up from my heaviness; and having rent my

garment and my mantle, I fell upon my knees, and spread out my hands unto the LORD my God,

6. And said, O my God, I am ashamed and blush to lift up my face to thee, my God:

for our iniquities are increased over our head, and our trespass is grown

and our trespass is grown up unto the heavens.

7. Since the days of our

7. Since the days of our fathers have we been in a great trespass unto this day;
and for our iniquities have
we, our kings, and our priests,

been delivered into the hand of the kings of the lands.

to the sword, to captivity, and to a spoil,

and to confusion of face, as

8. And now for a little space

grace hath been *shewed*from the LORD our God,
to leave us a remnant to

escape, and to give us a nail in his holy place, that our God may lighten our eyes, and give us a little reviving

in our bondage.

9. For we were bondmen; yet our God hath not forsaken us in our bondage, but hath

extended mercy unto us in the sight of the kings of

Persia, to give us a reviving,

to set up the house of our God, and to repair the

desolations thereof, and to give us a wall in Judah and in Jerusalem.

10. And now, O our God, what shall we say after this?

for we have forsaken thy commandments,

■ 11. Which thou hast

commanded by thy servantsthe prophets, saying.

■ The land, unto which

ye go to possess it,

■ is an

I unclean land

with the filthiness of the

people of the lands, with their abominations, which have filled it from one end to another with their uncleanness.

12. Now therefore give not your daughters unto their sons, neither take their daughters unto your sons,
 nor seek their peace or their

nor seek their peace or their wealth for ever: that ye may be strong, and eat the good of the land, and leave it for an inheritance to your children for ever.

13. And after all that is come upon us for

our evil deeds, and for our great trespass,

■ seeing that thou our

God hast punished us less
 than our iniquities deserve,
 and hast given us such

■ deliverance as this;

14. Should we again break thy commandments.

■ and join in affinity

with the people of these abominations

these abominations?wouldest not thou be angry

with us till thou hadst

consumed us, so that there should be no remnant nor escaping?
 15. O LORD God of Israel.

thou art righteous: for we remain yet escaped, as it is this day: behold, we are before thee

in our trespasses: for we cannot stand before

■ thee because of this.

CHAPTER 10

1. Now when Ezra had prayed, and when he had

 confessed, weeping and casting himself down before the house of God.

■ there assembled unto him out of Israel

a very great congregation of men and women and children:

for the people wept very sore.

 And Shechaniah the son of Jehiel, one of the sons of Elam, answered and

said unto Ezra. We have ■ trespassed against our ■ God, and have taken strange wives of the people of the land; yet now there is hope in Israel concerning this thing.

3. Now therefore let us make a covenant with our God to put away all ■ the wives, and such as are born of them, according to the counsel of my lord, and of those that tremble at the commandment of our God:

and let it be done according to the law.

■ 4. **Arise**; for this matter belongeth unto thee:

we also

will be with thee; he of good courage, and do it.

5. Then arose Ezra, and made the chief priests.

the Levites, and all ■ Israel, to

■ I swear that they should do according to this word.

And they sware.

6. Then Ezra rose up from before the house of God, and went into the chamber of Johanan the son of Eliashib; and when he came thither, he did eat no bread. nor drink water: for he

mourned because of the transgression of them that had been carried away.

And they made proclamation throughout

Judah and Jerusalem unto all the children of the captivity.

that they should gather themselves together

unto Jerusalem:

8. And that whosoever would not come within

three days, according to the counsel of the princes and the elders.

all his substance should ■ be forfeited, and himself separated from the

congregation of those that

had been carried away.

Then all the men of Judah. and Benjamin gathered themselves together unto Jerusalem within three days.

It was the ninth month, on the twentieth day of the month: and all the people sat in

the street of the house of God.

trembling because of this matter, and for the great rain.

And Ezra the priest stood up, and

said unto them.

Ye have transgressed. and have taken

strange wives, to increase the trespass of Israel.

11. Now therefore make confession unto the

LORD God of your fathers. and do his pleasure: and

separate yourselves from the people of the land, and from the strange wives.

12. Then all the

congregation answered and said with a loud voice.

As thou hast said, so must we do.

13. But the people are many, and it is a time of much rain, and we are not able to stand without. neither is this a work of one

day or two: for we are many that have transgressed in this thing.

14. Let now our rulers of all the congregation

stand, and let all them which have taken

strange wives in our cities come at appointed

times, and with them

the elders of every city.

and the

judges thereof,

until the fierce wrath of our

God for this matter

be turned from us.

15. Only Jonathan the son of Asahel

and Jahaziah the son of Tikvah were employed about this

matter: and Meshullam

■ Land Shabbethai the Levite helped them.

16. And the children of the captivity did so.

And Ezra the priest.

■ | with certain chief of the

fathers, after the house of their fathers, and all of them by their names, were separated, and

sat down in the first day of the tenth month

to examine the matter. 17. And they made an end with all the men

that had taken strange wives by the first day of the first month.

18. And among the sons of the priests there were found that had taken strange wives: namely, of the sons of Jeshua the son of Jozadak. and his brethren: Maaseiah, and Eliezer, and Jarib, and Gedaliah.

19. And they gave their hands that they would

put away their wives: ■ and being guilty, they offered a ram of the flock

for their trespass. 20. And of the sons of Immer: Hanani, and Zebadiah. 21. And of the sons of Harim:

Maaseiah, and Elijah, and Shemaiah, and Jehiel, and Uzziah 22. And of the sons of Pashur:

Elioenai, Maaseiah, Ishmael. Nethaneel, Jozabad, and Flasah

23. Also of the Levites: Jozabad, and Shimei, and Kelaiah, (the same is Kelita.) Pethahiah, Judah. and Eliezer

24. Of the singers also; Eliashib: and of the porters; Shallum, and Telem, and Uri.

25. Moreover of Israel: of the sons of

Parosh: Ramiah, and Jeziah, and Malchiah, and Miamin, and Eleazar. and Malchijah, and Benajah. 26. And of the sons of Elam: Mattaniah, Zechariah, and Jehiel, and Abdi, and Jeremoth, and Eliah. 27. And of the sons of Zattu: Elioenai. Eliashib, Mattaniah, and Jeremoth, and Zahad, and Aziza 28. Of the sons also of Bebai: Jehohanan, Hananiah, Zabbai,

and Athlai

29. And of the sons of Bani: Meshullam, Malluch, and Adaiah, Jashub, and Sheal, and Ramoth, And of the sons of Pahath-moab: Adna, and Chelal Benaiah, Maaseiah Mattaniah, Bezaleel, and Binnui, and Manasseh.

And of the sons of Harim: Eliezer, Ishijah, Malchiah, Shemaiah, Shimeon, Beniamin, Malluch. and Shemariah.

33. Of the sons of Hashum; Mattenai, Mattathah, Zabad, Eliphelet, Jeremai, Manasseh and Shimei Of the sons of Bani:

Maadai, Amram, and Uel. 35. Benaiah, Bedeiah, Chelluh,

36. Vaniah, Meremoth, Eliashib,

Mattaniah, Mattenai, and Jaasau. And Bani, and Binnui, Shimei.

 And Shelemiah, and Nathan. and Adaiah.

Machnadebai, Shashai, Sharai.

 Azareel, and Shelemiah. Shemariah.

42. Shallum, Amariah, and Joseph.

Of the sons of Nebo; Jeiel. Mattithiah, Zabad, Zebina, Jadau, and Joel, Benaiah.

44. All these had taken strange wives: and some of them had wives. by whom they had children.

NEHEMIAH:

A MAN OF ACTION

In contemporary Christian circles

- a person who is
- a believer and vet
- has not received a specific
- calling to be a pastor, a teacher, an evangelist, etc.
- is designated as a "Layman."
- Although the term is not a
 - Biblical one used to describe any Christian or his vocation.
- it is widely used and recognized.
- Nehemiah was a
 - "Layman." He did not claim to be called into the priesthood. Nor did he possess the gifts of a prophet.
- He was merely a man who loved God. His law, and the Institution He had established Much of the book of Nehemiah is written in the first person and can be described as memoirs. Nehemiah was a man of action with the right
 - ordination or the gifts of a prophet.

motivation. Lacking priestly

- he saw a deplorable situation which demanded
- action. He did not ao to his formal religious leaders and urae them to do somethina.
- At the time he was in
- Captivity. He had risen to become Cup-bearer to king Artaxerxes.
 - His brother returned
- from Jerusalem to tell of the terrible conditions
- in the city. The walls were broken down. The city was in shambles.
- Nehemiah was
- heartbroken over the report.
- He prayed. He fasted.
- But he did more.
- He acted.
 - With the permission of the king
 - he returned to
- Jerusalem and against constant opposition and living
- under the threat of death.
- he organized the people.
- rebuilt the walls and
- restored Jerusalem.

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CHAPTER 1

- 1. The words of Nehemiah the son of Hachaliah.
- And it came to pass in the month Chisleu, in the twentieth year,
- as I was in Shushan
- the palace,
- 2. **That Hanani,** one of my brethren,
- **came, he and** *certain* **men** of Judah;
- and I asked them concerning the Jews
 - that had escaped, which were left of the captivity.
- and concerning
- Jerusalem,
- 3. And they said unto me,
- The remnant that are left of the captivity there in the province
- are in great affliction■ and reproach: the wall
- and reproach: the wallof Jerusalem also is
- broken down, and the gates thereof are burned with fire.
 And it came to pass.
- when I heard these words, that
- sat down and wept, and
- mourned certain days,
- and fasted, and prayed

before the God of heaven, 5. And said, I beseech thee.

- O LORD God of heaven, the great and terrible God, that keepeth covenant and mercy for them that love him and observe his commandments:
- 6. Let thine ear now be attentive, and thine eyes open, that thou mayest
- hear the prayer of thy servant, which I pray before thee now.
- day and night, for
- Israel thy servants,
- and confess the sins of the children of Israel.
- which we have sinned against thee: both I and my father's house have sinned.
- 7. **We have** dealt very corruptly against thee, and have

- not kept the
- commandments, nor the statutes, nor the
- statutes, nor the judgments, which thou
- commandedst thy servant
 Moses
- 8. **Remember,** I beseech thee,
- the word that thou
- commandedst thy servant
- Moses, saying,
- If ye transgress,
 I will scatter you
 - I will scatter you abroad among the nations:
- 9. But if ye turn unto me, andkeep my commandments.

and do them; though there were of you cast out unto the uttermost part of the heaven, yet will

- gather them from thence, and
- will bring them unto the place that I have chosen
 to set my name there.
- 10 set my name there. ■ 10. Now these are
 - thy servants and
- thy people, whom thou hast redeemed by thy great power, and by thy strong hand.
- 11. O LORD, I beseech thee, let now thine ear
- **be attentive to the** prayer of thy servant, and to the
- prayer of thy servants,
- who desire to fear thy name: and prosper, I pray
- thee, thy servant this day,
- and grant him mercy in the sight of this man. For I was
- the king's cupbearer.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. And it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king.
- *that* wine *was* before him: and
- I took up the wine, and gave it
- unto the king. Now I had not been *beforetime* sad
- in his presence.
- 2. Wherefore the king
- **said** unto me,
- Why is thy countenance
- **sad**, seeing thou art not sick? this is nothing else but sorrow of heart.

- Then I was very sore afraid.
- 3. And said unto the king, Let the king live for ever: why should not my countenance be sad, when
- the city, the place
- of my fathers' sepulchres, lieth waste, and the gates thereof are consumed with fire?
- 4. Then the king said unto me. For what dost thou make request? So I prayed
 - to the God of heaven. 5. And I
- said unto the king.
 - If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest
- send me unto Judah. unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres.
- that I may build it. 6. And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return?
- So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.
- 7. Moreover 1 said unto the king, If it please the king,
- let letters be given me to the governors beyond the river, that they may convey

me over till I come into Judah:

- 8. And a letter
- unto Asaph the keeper of the king's forest,
- that he may give me
- timber to make beams
 - for the gates of the palace which appertained to the house, and for
 - the wall of the city, and for the house that I shall enter into. And the king granted me,
 - according to the good hand of my God upon me.
 - 9. Then I came to the governors beyond the river, and gave them the king's
- letters. Now the king had sent captains of the army and horsemen with me.

- 10 When Sanballat the Horonite
- and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite
- heard of it, it grieved them exceedingly
- that there was come a man to seek the welfare
- of the children of
 - Israel.
- 11. So I came to Jerusalem, and was there three days. 12. And I arose in the night, I

and some few men with me:

- neither told I any man what my God had put in my heart to do at Jerusalem: neither
 - was there any beast with me, save the beast that I rode upon.
- And I went out by night by the gate of the valley, even before the dragon well, and to the dung port,
- and viewed the walls of Jerusalem, which were broken down, and the gates thereof were consumed with fire.
 - 14. Then I went on to the gate of the fountain, and to the king's pool: but there was no place for the beast that was under me to pass.
 - 15. Then went I up in the night by the brook, and viewed the wall, and turned back, and entered. by the gate of the valley,
- and so returned.
- And the rulers knew not whither I went, or what I
- did; neither had I as yet told it to
- the Jews, nor to the priests, nor to the nobles.
- nor to the rulers, nor to the rest that did the work. 17. Then said I unto them,
- Ye see the distress that we are in, how Jerusalem lieth waste, and the gates thereof
 - are burned with fire: come, and
- let us build up the wall of Jerusalem, that we be no more a reproach.
 - 18. Then I told them of
 - the hand of my

- God which was good
 upon me; as
 also the king's words that he had spoken unto me.
 And they said, Let us rise up and build. So they strengthened their hands for this good work.
- 19. **But when**
- Sanballat the Horonite,
- and Tobiah the servant, the Ammonite,
- and Geshem the Arabian, heard it, they laughed
- us to scorn, and despised us,
- and said, What is this thing that ye do?
- will ye rebel against
- the king?
- 20. **Then** answered
- I them, and
- **said unto them,** The
- God of heaven, he
- will prosper us; therefore we his servants
- will arise and build: but
- nor right, nor memorial, in Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Then Eliashib the high priest rose up with his brethren
 the priests, and they
- builded the sheep gate; they sanctified it, and set up the doors of it; even unto the tower of Meah they sanctified it, unto the tower of Hananeel.
- 2. And next unto him builded the men of Jericho.
- builded the men of Jericho
- And next to them builded
- **Zaccur** the son of Imri.
- 3. But the fish gate did the sons of Hassenaah build, who also laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.
- 4. And next unto them repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah, the son of Koz.
- And next unto them repaired
- Meshullam the son of Berechiah,

the son of Meshezabeel.

- And next unto them repaired
- Zadok the son of Baana.
- 5. And next unto them the
 - **Tekoites** repaired; but their nobles put not their necks to the work of their LORD.
- 6. Moreover the old gate repaired Jehoiada the son of Paseah, and Meshullam the son of Besodeiah; they laid the beams thereof, and set up the doors thereof, and the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.
- 7. And next unto
- them repaired
- Melatiah the Gibeonite,
- and Jadon the Meronothite,the men of Gibeon, and of

Mizpah, unto the throne of the governor on this side the river.

- 8. Next unto him repaired
 Uzziel the son of Harhaiah.
- of the goldsmiths. Next
- unto him also repaired
 Hananiah the son of one of the
- Jerusalem unto the broad wall.

 9. And next unto them repaired
- Rephaiah the son of Hur, the ruler of the half part of Jerusalem.
- of Jerusalem.
- them repaired
- **Jedaiah** the son of Harumaph, even over against his house.
- And next unto him repaired
- Hattush the son of Hashabniah.
- 11. Malchijah the son of Harim,
- and Hashub the son of Pahath-moab.
- repaired the other piece, and the tower of the furnaces.
- 12. And next unto him
- repaired Shallum
- the son of Halohesh,
- the ruler of the
- half part
- of Jerusalem, he
- and his daughters.
- 13. The valley gate repaired
 Hanun, and the inhabitants
- of Zanoah; they built it, and

set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof, and a thousand cubits on the wall unto the dung gate. 14. But the dung gate repaired Malchiah the son of Rechab, the ruler of part of Beth-haccerem; he built it, and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

15. But the gate of the fountain repaired Shallun the son of Col-hozeh, the ruler of part of Mizpah; he built it, and covered it. and set up the doors thereof, the locks thereof, and the bars thereof.

and the wall of the pool of Siloah by the king's garden, and unto the stairs that go down from the city of David. 16. After him repaired

Nehemiah the son of Azbuk, the ruler of the half part of Beth-zur, unto the place over against the sepulchres of David, and to the pool that was made, and unto the house of the mighty.

17. After him repaired the Levites. Rehum the son of Bani.

Next unto him repaired Hashabiah, the ruler of the half part of Keilah, in his part.

18. After him repaired their brethren, Bavai the

son of Henadad, the ruler of the half part of Keilah.

19. And next to him repaired Ezer the son of Jeshua, the ruler of Mizpah, another piece over against the going up to the armoury at the

turning of the wall. 20. After him Baruch the son of Zabbai earnestly repaired the other piece.

from the turning of the wall unto the door of the house of Eliashib the high priest.

21. After him repaired Meremoth the son of Urijah the son of Koz another piece, from the door of the house of Eliashib even to the end of the house of Eliashib.

22. And after him repaired the priests,

the men of the plain.

23. After him repaired Benjamin and Hashub over against their house.

After him repaired

Azariah the son of Maaseiah the son of Ananiah by his house.

24. After him repaired

Binnui the son of Henadad another piece, from the house of Azariah unto the turning of the wall, even unto the

25 Palal the son of Uzai over against the turning of the wall, and the tower which lieth out from the king's high house, that was by the court of the prison.

After him Pedaiah the son of Parosh.

26. Moreover

the Nethinims dwelt in Ophel, unto the place over against the water gate toward the east. and the tower that lieth out.

27. After them the Tekoites repaired another piece, over against the great tower that lieth out. even unto the wall of Ophel. 28. From above the horse gate repaired the priests, every one over against his house.

29. After them repaired Zadok the son of Immer over against his house.

After him repaired also

Shemaiah the son of Shechaniah, the keeper of the east gate.

30. After him repaired

Hananiah the son of Shelemiah.

and Hanun the sixth son of Zalaph, another piece.

After him repaired

Meshullam the son of Berechiah over against his chamber.

31. After him repaired Malchiah the goldsmith's son unto the place of the Nethinims. and of the merchants, over against the gate Miphkad, and to the going up of the corner.

■ 1 32. And between the going up of ■ the corner unto the sheep gate repaired the goldsmiths and ■ the merchants.

CHAPTER 4

■ I 1. But it came to pass, that when Sanballat heard that we builded the wall, he was wroth, and took great indignation, and mocked the Jews.

2. And he spake before his brethren and the army of Samaria, and said. What do these feeble Jews? will they fortify themselves? will they sacrifice?

will they make an end in a day? will they revive the stones out of the heaps

of the rubbish which are burned?

3 Now Tobiah the Ammonite was by him, and he

said. Even that which they build, if a fox ao up, he shall even break down their

stone wall. 4. Hear, O our

God: for we are despised: and turn their reproach upon their own head, and give them for a prey in the land of captivity:

5. And cover not their iniquity, and let not their sin be blotted out from before thee:

for they have provoked

thee to anger before the builders.

6. So built we the wall: and all the wall was joined together unto the half thereof:

for the people had a mind to work.

7. **But** it came to pass, that when Sanballat, and

Tobiah, and the Arabians, and the Ammonites, and the Ashdodites,

heard that the walls of Jerusalem

were made up, and that the breaches began to be stopped, then

they were very

wroth.

8. And conspired all of them

together to come and to fight against Jerusalem, and to hinder it.

Nevertheless we made our prayer unto our God.

and set a watch against them day and night, because of them. 10. And Judah said. The strength of the bearers of burdens is decayed.

and there is much rubbish; so that we are not able to build the wall.

 And our adversaries said. They shall not know, neither see. till we come in the

midst among them.

and slay them, and cause the work to cease.

12. And it came to pass, that when the Jews which dwelt by them came, they said unto us ten times.

From all places whence ve shall return unto us they will be upon you. 13. Therefore set I in the

lower places behind the wall.

and on the higher places, I even set the

people after their families with their swords, their spears, and their bows.

14. And I looked, and rose up, and said unto the nobles, and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people,

Be not ye afraid of them:

remember the LORD. which is great and terrible.

and fight for your brethren, your sons, and your daughters, your wives,

and your houses.

And it came to pass, when our enemies heard

that it was known unto us, and God had brought their

counsel to nought, that we returned all of us to the wall,

every one unto his work.

16. And it came to pass

from that time forth, that the

■ half of my servants

wrought in the work, and

the other half of them

held both

the spears, the

shields, and the

bows, and the habergeons: and the rulers were behind all the house of Judah.

17. They which builded on the wall. and they that bare burdens, with those that laded, every one with one of his hands wrought in the work, and with the other hand held a weapon.

18 For the builders.

■ every one had

■ his sword girded

by his side, and m ł

so builded. And he that sounded the trumpet

was by me.

19. And I said unto the nobles. and to the rulers, and to the rest of the people.

The work is great and large, and we are separated upon the wall.

one far from another.

20. In what place therefore ye hear the sound of the

frumpet, resort ye

thither unto us: our

God shall fight for us.

21. So we laboured in the work: and half of them held the spears

from the rising of the morning till the stars appeared.

22. Likewise at the same time said I unto the people, Let

every one with his servant lodge within Jerusalem, fhat in

the night they

may be a

guard to us.

and labour on the day.

23. So neither I, nor my brethren, nor my servants, nor the men of the guard which followed me.

none of us

put off our clothes, saving

that every one put them off

for washing.

CHAPTER 5

1. And there was a great cry of the people and of their wives

against their brethren

the Jews.

2. For there were that said, We,

our sons, and our

daughters, are many:

therefore we take

UD COIN for them.

that we may eat, and live.

Some also there were that said. We have mortgaged our

lands, vineyards, and houses,

that we might buy corn,

because of the dearth.

4 There were also that said

We have borrowed money for the king's tribute, and that upon our lands and vineyards.

5. Yet now our flesh is as the flesh of our brethren, our children as

their children: and, lo, we bring into bondage our sons and our

daughters to be servants.

and some of our daughters are brought unto bondage already.

neither is it in our power to redeem them; for other men have our lands and vineyards.

And I was very

angry when I heard their cry and these

words.

7. Then I consulted with myself, and I rebuked the nobles.

and the rulers.

and said unto them.

Ye exact usury, every one

of his brother. And I set a great assembly against them. 8. And I said unto them.

We after our ability

have redeemed our

brethren the Jews.

which were sold unto

the heathen; and

will ye even sell your

brethren? or shall they be sold unto us? Then held

they their peace, and

found nothing to answer.

- 9. Also I said, It is not good that ye do: ought ye not to
- walk in the fear of our God because of the reproach of the heathen our enemies? 10. Hikewise, and my brethren, and my servants, might exact of them money and corn: I pray you,
- let us leave off this usury.
- 11. **Restore**, I pray you, to them, even this day,
- their lands, their vineyards, their olivevards.
- | and their houses, also the
- hundredth part of the money, and of the corn,
- the wine, and the oil. that ye exact of them. 12. Then said they, We
- will restore them, and will require nothing of them; so will we do as thou sayest.
- Then I called the priests, and took an oath of them.
- that they should do according to this promise.
- 13. Also I shook my lap, and said. So God shake
- out every man from his house, and from his labour,
- that performeth not this promise, even thus be he shaken out, and emptied. And all the congregation said, Amen, and praised the LORD. And the people did according to this promise.
- 14. Moreover from the time that I was
- appointed to be their
- governor in the land
- of Judah, from the twentieth year even unto the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes the king, that is,
- twelve years, I and my brethren have not eaten the
- bread of the governor.
- 15. But the former governors that had been
- before me were chargeable unto the people, and
- had taken of them bread
- and wine, beside
- forty shekels of silver; yea,

- even their servants bare rule over the people:
- **but** so did
- not I, because of the
- fear of God.
- 16. Yea, also I continued in the work of this wall. neither bought we any land:
- and all my servants were aathered thither
- unto the work.
 - Moreover there were at my table an
- hundred and fifty of the
 - Jews and rulers, beside
- those that came unto us
 - from among the
- heathen that are about us.
 - 18. Now that which was prepared for me daily was one ox and six choice sheep; also fowls were prepared for me, and once in ten days store of all sorts of wine:
- **yet** for all this required not I the bread of
- the governor, because the bondage was heavy upon this people.
- 19. Think upon me, my God,
- for good, according to all that I have done for this people.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Now it came to pass
- when Sanballat, and Tobiah, and Geshem the
 - Arabian, and the rest of our enemies.
- heard that I had builded
- the wall, and that there was no breach left therein; (though at that time I had not set up the doors upon the gates;)
- 2. That Sanballat and Geshem
- sent unto me, saying,
- Come, let us meet together
 - in some one of the villages in the plain of Ono.
- But they thought to
- do me mischief.
- 3. And I sent
 - messengers unto them,
- saving, I am doing a

slav thee: vea.

in the night will they come

739 great work, so that I cannot come down: why should the work cease. whilst I leave it, and come down to you? 4. Yet they sent unto me four times after this sort; and I answered them after the same manner. 5 Then sent Sanballat his servant unto me in like manner the fifth time with an open letter in his hand: 6. Wherein was written, It is reported among the heathen, and Gashmu saith it. that thou and the Jews think to rebeli for which cause thou buildest the wall. that thou mayest be their king, according to these words. 7 And thou hast also appointed prophets to preach of thee at Jerusalem, saying, There is a king in Judah; and now shall it be reported to the king according to these words. Come now therefore, and let us take counsel together. 8. Then I sent unto him, saying, There are no such things done as thou sayest, but thou feignest them out of thine own heart. 9. For they all made us afraid, saying, Their hands shall be weakened from the work, that it be not done. Now therefore. O God, strengthen my hands.

10. Afterward I came

and he said, Let us meet

shut the doors of the temple:

together in the house of God.

■ I for they will come to

unto the house of

to slav thee. 11. And I said. Should such a man as I flee? and who is there, that, being as I am, would go into the temple to save his life? I will not go in. 12. And. lo. I perceived that God had not sent him: but that he pronounced this prophecy against me: for Tobiah and Sanballat had hired him. Therefore was he hired. that I should be afraid, and do so, and sin, and that they might have matter for an evil report. that they might reproach me. 14. My God, think thou upon Tobiah and Sanballat according to these their works, and on the prophetess Noadiah, and the rest of the prophets. that would have out me in fear. 15. So the wall was finished in the twenty and fifth day of the month Elul. in fifty and two days. 16. And it came to pass, that when all our enemies heard thereof, and all the heathen that were about us saw these things. they were much cast down in their own eyes: for they perceived that this work was wrought of our God. 17. **Moreover** in those days the nobles of Judah sent many letters unto Tobiah, and the letters of Shemaiah the son of Delaiah the Tobiah came unto them. son of Mehetabeel, who was shut up; 18. For there were many in Judah sworn unto him. because he was the son in ■ within the temple, and let us law of Shechaniah the son of

Arah; and his son Johanan had

taken the daughter of Meshullam

the son of Berechiah.

- 19. Also they reported his good deeds before me, and uttered my words to him.
- | And Tobiah sent letters | ■ | to put me in fear.

CHAPTER 7

- I 1. Now it came to pass.
- when the wall was built.
- and I had set up the doors.
- and the porters and the singers and the
- Levites were appointed.
- 2. That I gave my brother ■ Hanani, and Hananiah the ruler of
- the palace.
- | charge over Jerusalem: for he was a faithful man, and
- feared God above many.
- 3. And I said unto them,
- Let not the gates of Jerusalem
- be opened until the sun be hot; and while they stand by, let
- them shut the doors, and bar them:
- and appoint watches of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, every one in his watch, and every one to be over against his house.
- 4. Now the city was large and great:
- but the people were few
- and the houses were not builded.
- 5. And my God put into mine heart to gather together
- the nobles, and the rulers, and
- the people, that they might be reckoned by
- genealogy. And I found a
- register of the genealogy of
- them which came up at the
- first, and found written therein.
- 6. These are the children of the province, that went up out of the captivity.
- of those that had been
- **carried away,** whom
 - Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away.
- and came again to
- Jerusalem and to

- **Judah**, every one unto his city: Who came with Zerubbahel. Jeshua, Nehemiah, Azariah, Raamiah, Nahamani, Mordecai, Bilshan, Mispereth, Bigvai, Nehum, Baanah. The number, I say, of the men of the people of Israel was this:
- 8. The children of Parosh. two thousand an hundred seventy and two.
 - 9. The children of
- Shephatiah, three hundred seventy and two.
 - 10. The children of
- Arah, six hundred fifty and two. 11. The children of
 - Pahath-moab, of

the children of

- Jeshua and Joab, two thousand and eight
 - hundred and eighteen. 12. The children of
- Elam, a thousand two hundred fifty and four. 13. The children of
- Zattu, eight hundred forty and five.
 - 14. The children of
- Zaccai, seven hundred and threescore.
 - The children of
- Binnui, six hundred forty and eight.
 - 16. The children of
- **Bebai.** six hundred twenty and eight.
 - The children of
 - Azaad, two thousand three hundred twenty and two. The children of
- Adonikam, six hundred threescore and seven.
 - 19. The children of
- Bigvai, two thousand threescore and seven. 20. The children of
- Adin, six hundred fifty and five.
- 21. The children of
- Ater of Hezekiah. ninety and eight.
 - 22. The children of
- Hashum, three hundred twenty and eight.
 - 23. The children of
- **Bezai.** three hundred

741 twenty and four. 24. The children of ■ Hariph, an hundred and twelve. 25. The children of Gibeon, ninety and five. ■ 26. The men of Beth-lehem and Netophah, an hundred fourscore and eight. 27. The men of Anathoth, an hundred twenty and eight. 28. The men of Beth-azmaveth, forty and two. 29. The men of Kirjath-jearim, Chephirah, and Beeroth, seven hundred forty and three. 30. The men of Ramah and Gaba, six hundred twenty and one. 31. The men of Michmas, an hundred and twenty and two. 32. The men of Beth-el and Ai, an hundred twenty and three. 33. The men of the other **Nebo**, fifty and two. 34. The children of the other Elam. a thousand two hundred fifty and four. 35. The children of Harim, three hundred and twenty. 36. The children of Jericho, three hundred forty and five. 37. The children of Lod, Hadid, and Ono, seven hundred twenty and one. 38. The children of Senaah. three thousand nine hundred and thirty. 39. The priests: the children of Jedaiah, of the house of Jeshua, nine hundred seventy and three. 40. The children of Immer, a thousand fifty and two.

41. The children of

42. The children of

Pashur, a thousand two

hundred forty and seven.

Harim, a thousand and seventeen.

43. The Levites: the children of Jeshua, of Kadmiel, and of the children of Hodevah, seventy and four. 44. The singers: the children of Asaph, an hundred forty and eight. 45. The porters: the children of Shallum, the children of Ater, the children of Talmon, the children of Akkub, the children of Hatita, the children of Shobai, an hundred thirty and eight. 46. The Nethinims: the children of Ziha, the children of Hashupha, the children of Tabbaoth. 47. The children of Keros, the children of Sia, the children of Padon. 48. The children of Lebana, the children of Haaaba, the children of Shalmai. 49. The children of Hanan, the children of Giddel, the children of Gahar. 50. The children of Regiah, the children of Rezin, the children of Nekoda. 51. The children of Gazzam, the children of Uzza, the children of Phaseah. 52. The children of Besai, the children of Meunim, the children of Nephishesim. 53. The children of Bakbuk, the children of Hakupha, the children of Harhur. 54. The children of Bazlith, the children of Mehida, the children of Harsha. 55. The children of

Barkos, the children of

NEI	HEMIAH 7 Gifts to
	Sisera, the children of
	Tamah,
	56. The children of
	Neziah , the children of
	Hatipha.
	57. The children of
	Solomon's
	servants: the children of
	Sotal, the children of
	Sophereth, the children of Perida,
•	58. The children of
_	Jaala, the children of
	Darkon, the children of
	Giddel.
-	59. The children of
	Shephatiah, the children of
	Hattil, the children of
	Pochereth of
	Zebaim , the children of
	60. All the Nethinims, and the
	children of Solomon's servants,
_	were three hundred ninety and two.
	61. And these <i>were</i> they which went up <i>also</i> from
ı	
	Addon, and Immer: but they
	could not shew their
-	father's house, nor their seed,
	whether they were
	of Israel.
	62. The children of
	Delaiah , the children of
	Tobiah, the children of
-	Nekoda, six hundred
	forty and two. 63. And of the priests:
•	the children of Habaiah.
-	the children of
•	KOZ, the children of
	Barzillai, which took one of
	the daughters of
	Barzillai the Gileadite
	to wife, and was called
	after their name.
	64. These sought their register among

those that were reckoned by genealogy, but it was not found:

therefore were they,

the priesthood.

as polluted, put from

65. And the Tirshatha said unto them.

that they should not eat of the most holy things, till there stood up a priest with Urim and Thummim. 66. The whole congregation together was forty and two thousand three hundred and threescore. 67. Beside their manservants and their maidservants, of whom there were seven thousand three hundred thirty and seven: and they had two hundred forty and five singing men and singing women. 68. Their horses, seven hundred thirty and six: their mules, two hundred forty and five: 69. Their camels, four hundred thirty and five: six thousand seven hundred and twenty asses. 70. And some of the chief of the fathers gave unto the work. The Tirshatha gave to the treasure a thousand drams of gold, fifty basons, five hundred and thirty priests' garments. 71. And some of the chief of the fathers **qave** to the treasure of the work twenty thousand drams of gold, and two thousand and fwo hundred pound of silver. 72. And that which the rest of the people gave was twenty thousand drams

of gold, and two thousand pound of silver, and threescore and seven priests' garments. 73. **So** the priests, and the Levites,

and the porters, and the singers, and some of the people, and the Nethinims, and all Israel, dwelt in their cities; and when the seventh month came.

- the children of Israel
- were in their cities.

CHAPTER 8

1. And all the peopleaathered themselves

together as one man

- into the street that was before the water acte:
- and they spake unto
- Ezra the scribe to bring
- the book of the law
- of Moses, which the LORD had commanded to Israel.
 - 2. And Ezra the priest
 - brought the law before the congregation both of men and women, and all that could hear with understanding, upon the first day of the seventh month.
- 3. And he read therein before the street that was before the water gate
 from the
- morning until midday,

before the men

and the women, and those that could understand; and the ears of

- all the people were
- aftentive unto the book of the law.
 4. And Ezra the scribe
- stood upon a pulpit of
 - Wood, which they had made for the purpose; and beside him stood Mattithiah, and Shema, and Anaiah, and Urijah, and Hilkiah, and Maaseiah, on his right hand; and on his left hand, Pedaiah, and Mishael, and Malchiah, and Hashum, and Hashbadana, Zechariah, and Meshullam.
- 5. And Ezra

opened the book in the sight of all the people; (for he was above all the people;)

and when he opened it,

- all the people stood up:
- 6 And Ezra blessed the
- LORD, the great God.
- And all
- the people answered,
 - Amen, Amen, with lifting up
- their hands: and they
- bowed their heads, and
- | worshipped the LORD with

their faces to the ground.

7. Also Jeshua, and Bani, and Sherebiah, Jamin, Akkub, Shabbethai, Hodijah, Maaseiah,

Kelita, Azariah, Jozabad, Hanan, Pelaiah, and the Levites, caused the people to understand the law; and the

- people to understand the law: and the people stood in their place.

 8. **So they read** in the book
- in the law of God
 distinctly, and gave the
 sense, and caused them to
 understand the reading.
- 9. And Nehemiah, which is the Tirshatha.
- and Ezra the priest the scribe,
- and the Levites that
 taught the people, said
 unto all the people.
- This day is holy unto
- the LORD your God;
- mourn not, nor weep. For all the people wept, when they heard the words of the law.
- 10. Then he said unto them,
 - Go your way,
- eat the fat.

- and drink the sweet,
- and send portions untothem for whom nothing
- is prepared: for this day is holy unto our LORD:
- neither be ye
- sorry; for the joy of the LORD is your strength.
- 11. So the Levites stilled all the people, saying, Hold your peace, for the day is holy; neither be ye grieved.
 12. And all the people went
- their way to eat, and to drink, and to send portions, and to make great mirth, because they had understood the words that were declared unto them.
- 13. And on the second
- day were
- gathered together
- the chief of the
- **fathers** of all the people,
- the priests, and the Levites, unto Ezra
- the scribe, even
- to understand the words

■1 of the law.

a of the law.

14. **And they found** written in the law which the LORD had commanded by Moses.

■ that the children of

Israel should dwell in booths in the feast of the seventh month:

■ 15. And that they should

publish and proclaimin all their cities.

and in Jerusalem,

saying, Go forth

and fetch olive

branches, and pine branches, and myrtle branches, and palm branches, and branches of thick trees,

to make booths, as it is written.

16. So the people went

forth, and brought them, and

■ made themselves

booths, every one upon the roof of his house, and in their courts, and in the courts of the house of God, and in the street of the water gate, and in the street of the gate of Ephraim.

17. And all the congregation of them that were come again out of the captivity made booths,

and sat under the booths:

for since the days of

Jeshua the son of Nun

unto that day had not the children

of Israel done so.

And there was very great

gladness.

18. Also day by day, from the first day unto the last day,

he read in the book of the law of God. And they kept

the feast seven days; and

on the eighth day was
 a solemn assembly,
 according unto the manner.

CHAPTER 9

1. Now in the twenty
and fourth day of this
month the children of
Israel were assembled

with fasting, and with sackclothes, and earth upon them

2. And the seed of Israel

separated themselves from all

strangers, and stood and confessed their sins, and the iniquities of their fathers.

3. And they stood up in their place, and

read in the book of the

law of the LORD their God

of the day; and another fourth part

they confessed, and worshipped the

■ LORD their God.

■ 4. Then stood

■ up upon the stairs, of

the Levites, Jeshua, and Bani, Kadmiel, Shebaniah, Bunni, Sherebiah, Bani, and Chenani.

and cried with a loud voice unto the LORD their God.

5. Then the Levites, Jeshua, and Kadmiel, Bani, Hashabniah, Sherebiah, Hodijah, Shebaniah,

■ and Pethahiah,

said, Stand up and bless
 the LORD your God for ever and ever: and blessed be thy glorious name.

■ which is exalted above all blessing and praise.

■ 6. **Thou**, even thou,

art LORD alone; thou hast made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host.

the earth, and all things

therein, the seas, and all that is therein.

and thou

preservest them all; and the host of heaven worshippeth thee.

7. Thou art the LORD the God, who didst choose Abram,

and broughtest him forth out of Ur of the Chaldees, and gavest him the name of Abraham;

8. And foundest his heart faithful before thee and madest a covenant with him to give the land of the Canaanites, the Hittites, the Amorites, and the Perizzites. and the Jebusites, and the Girgashites, to give it, I say, to his seed, and hast performed thy words: for thou art righteous: a And didst see the affliction of our fathers in Eavpt, and heardest their cry by the Red sea: ■ 10. And shewedst signs and wonders upon m i **Pharach.** and on all his servants. and on all the people of his land; for thou knewest that they dealt proudly against them. So; didst thou get thee a name, as it is this day. 11. And thou didst divide the sea before them SO that they went through the midst of the sea on the dry land; and their persecutors thou threwest into the deeps, as a stone into the mighty waters. 12. Moreover thou leddest **them** in the day by a cloudy pillar; and in the night by a pillar of fire, to give them light in the way wherein they should go. 13. Thou camest down also upon mount Sinai, and spakest with them from heaven, and gavest them right judgments, and true laws. good statutes and commandments: 14. And madest known unto them thy holy sabbath, and commandedst them precepts, statutes. and laws, by the hand of

■ Moses thy servant:

water for them

and broughtest forth

■ 15. And gavest them bread

from heaven for their hunger,

out of the rock for their thirst.

and promisedst them that they should go in to possess the land which thou hadst sworn to give them. 16. But they and our fathers dealt proudly, and hardened their necks, and hearkened not to thy commandments. 17. And refused to obey, neither were mindful of thy wonders that thou didst among them; but hardened their necks. and in their rebellion appointed a captain to return to their bondage: but thou art a God ready to pardon, gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness. and forsookest them not. 18. Yea, when they had made them a molten calf, and said, This is thy God that brought thee up out of Egypt, and had wrought great provocations: 19. Yet thou in thy manifold mercies forsookest them not in the wilderness: the pillar of the cloud departed not from them by day, to lead them in the way; neither the pillar of fire by night, to shew them light. and the way wherein they should go. 20. Thou gavest also thy good spirit to instruct them, and withheldest not thy manna from their mouth. and gavest them water for their thirst. 21. **Yea, forty years didst** thou sustain them in the wilderness, so that they lacked nothing; their clothes waxed not old, and their feet swelled not. 22. Moreover thou gavest them kingdoms and nations, and didst divide them into corners: so they possessed the land

of Sihon, and the land of the king of

Heshbon, and the land of Oa king of

NEHEMIAH 9 Bashan. 23 Their children also multipliedst thou as the stars of heaven, and broughtest them into the land, concerning which thou hadst promised to their fathers, that they should go in to possess it. 24 So the children went ■ in and possessed the ■ land, and thou subduedst before them the inhabitants of the land, the Canaanites, and gavest them into their hands, with their kings, and the people of the land, that they might do with them as they would. 25. And they took strong cities, and a fat land. and possessed houses full of all goods, wells digged, vineyards, and oliveyards, and fruit trees in abundance: so they did eat. and were filled, and became fat, and delighted themselves in thy great goodness. 26. Nevertheless they were disobedient, and rebelled against thee, and cast thy law behind their backs, and slew thy prophets which testified against them to turn them to thee. and they wrought great provocations. 27. Therefore thou deliveredst them into the hand of their enemies, who vexed them: and in the time of their trouble, when they cried unto thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and according to thy manifold mercies thou gavest them saviours, who saved them out of the

hand of their enemies.

■ rest, they did evil

28. **But after** they had

again before thee: therefore leftest thou them in the land of their enemies, so that they had the dominion over them: vet when they returned, and cried unto thee, thou heardest them from heaven; and many times didst thou deliver them according to thy mercies: 29. And testifiedst against them, that thou mightest bring them again unto thy law: yet they dealt proudly, and hearkened not unto thy commandments, but sinned against thy judgments, (which if a man do, he shall live in them;) and withdrew the shoulder, and hardened their neck, and would not hear. 30. Yet many years didst thou forbear them, and testifiedst against them by thy spirit in thy prophets: yet would they not give ear: therefore gavest thou them into the hand of the people of the lands. 31. Nevertheless for thy great mercies' sake thou didst not utterly consume them. nor forsake them; for thou art a gracious and merciful God. 32. Now therefore, our God, the great, the mighty, and the terrible God, who keepest covenant and mercy, let not all the trouble seem little before thee. that hath come upon us, on our kings, on our princes, and on our priests, and on our prophets, and on our fathers, and on all thy people, since the time of the kings of Assyria unto this day. 33. Howbeit thou art just in all that is brought upon us: for thou hast done right, but

we have done wickedly:

34 Neither have

- our kinas, our princes, our priests, nor our fathers, kept thy law, nor hearkened unto thy commandments
- and thy testimonies. wherewith thou didst testify against them.
- 35. For they have not served thee in their kingdom,

and in thy great goodness that thou gavest them, and

in the large and fat land

which thou gavest before them, neither turned they from their wicked works.

> 36. Behold, we are servants this day, and for the land that thou gavest

unto our fathers to eat the fruit thereof and the good thereof. behold, we are servants in it:

37. And it yieldeth much increase unto the kinas

whom thou hast

set over us because of

our sins: also

they have dominion over our bodies, and over our cattle, at their pleasure.

- and we are in areat distress.
- 38. And because of all
- this we make a sure
- covenant, and write it.
- and our princes, Levites, ■ and priests, seal unto it.

CHAPTER 10

 Now those that sealed were, Nehemiah, the

> Tirshatha, the son of Hachaliah, and Zidkijah,

- 2. Seraiah, Azariah, Jeremiah,
- 3. Pashur, Amariah, Malchijah.
- 4. Hattush, Shebaniah, Malluch, 5. Harim, Meremoth, Obadiah.
- Daniel, Ginnethon, Baruch
- 7. Meshullam, Abijah, Mijamin,
- 8. Maaziah, Bilgai, Shemaiah:
- these were the priests.
- 9. And the Levites: both Jeshua the son of Azaniah, Binnui of the sons of Henadad, Kadmiel:

- 10. And their brethren, Shebaniah, Hodijah, Kelita, Pelajah, Hanan,
- 11. Micha, Rehob, Hashabiah,
- 12. Zaccur, Sherebiah, Shebaniah,
- 13. Hodijah, Bani, Beninu.
- 14. The chief of the people; Parosh, Pahath-moab, Elam, Zatthu, Bani,
- 15. Bunni, Azgad, Bebai,
- 16. Adonijah, Bigyai, Adin,
- 17. Ater, Hizkijah, Azzur,
- 18. Hodijah, Hashum, Bezai,
- 19. Hariph, Anathoth, Nebai,
- 20. Magpiash, Meshullam, Hezir, Meshezabeel, Zadok, Jaddua.
- 22. Pelatiah, Hanan, Anaiah,
- 23. Hoshea, Hananiah, Hashub,
- 24 Hallohesh Pileha Shobek.
- 25. Rehum, Hashabnah, Maaseiah,
- 26. And Ahijah, Hanan, Anan,
- 27. Malluch, Harim, Baanah,
- 28 And the rest of

the people, the priests, the Levites, the porters, the singers, the Nethinims, and all they that had separated themselves from the people of the lands unto the law of God, their wives, their

sons, and their daughters, every one having knowledge, and having understanding:

29. They clave to their brethren, their nobles, and entered into a curse, and into

an oath, to walk in God's

law, which was

given by Moses the servant of God, and to observe

and do all the commandments of

the LORD our Lord, and his judgments and his statutes:

30. And that we would not give our daughters unto the people of the land, not take their

daughters for our sons:

31. **And** if the people of the land bring ware or any victuals on the sabbath day to sell, that we would not buy it of them

on the sabbath, or on the

holy day: and that we would

- leave the seventh year,and the exaction ofevery debt.
- 32. Also we made ordinances for us,
- to charge ourselves yearly with the third part
- of a shekel for the service of the

33. For the shewbread, and for the continual meat offering, and for the continual burnt offering, of the sabbaths, of the new moons, for the set feasts, and for the holy things, and for the sin offerings to make an atonement for Israel, and for

- all the work of the house of our God.
- 34. And we cast the
- lots among the priests, the Levites, and
- the people,
- for the wood offering, to
- **bring** if into the house of our God, after the houses of our fathers,
- at times appointed year by year.
- to burn upon the altar of the LORD our God, as it is written in the law:
- written in the law:
 35. And to bring the
 firstfruits of our ground, and
- the firstfruits of all fruit of all trees, vear by vear, unto the
- house of the LORD:
- 36. Also the firstborn of
- **our sons, and** of our
- cattle, as it is written in the law, and the firstlings of our herds and of our flocks,
- to bring to the house of our God, unto
- the priests that minister in
- the house of our God:

 37. And that we should
- bring the firstfruits of
- bring the firstfruits of our dough, and
- our offerings, and the fruit of all manner of trees, of wine and of oil,
- unto the priests, to the chambers of the house of our God;
 and the tithes of our ground
- unto the Levites, that the same

- Levites might have the tithes in all the cities of our tillage.
- 38. And the priest the son of Aaron shall be with the Levites, when the Levites take tithes:
- and the Levites shall bring
 up the tithe of the tithes unto
 the house of our God.
 - to the chambers,
- into the treasure house.
- 39. For the children of Israel and the children of Levi shall bring the offering of the corn, of the new wine, and the oil, unto the chambers, where are the vessels of the sanctuary, and the priests that minister, and the porters, and the singers: and
- we will not forsake the
- house of our God.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. And the rulers of the people
- dwelt at Jerusalem: the rest of the people also
- cast lots, to bring one
- of ten to dwell in Jerusalem
- the holy city, and nine parts to dwell in other cities.
- 2. And the people blessed
- all the men,
- that willingly offered themselves to
- dwell at Jerusalem.
- 3. Now these are the chief
 of the province that dwelt in
- **Jerusalem:** but in the cities of Judah dwelt every one in his possession in their cities. to wit, Israel,
- the priests, and the Levites, and
- the Levites, and the Nethinims, and the
 - children of Solomon's
- servants.
- 4. And at Jerusalem dwelt
- certain of the children of
- Judah, and of the children of
- Benjamin. Of the children of
- Judah; Athaiah the son of Uzziah, the son of Zechariah, the son of Amariah, the son of Shephatiah, the son of Mahalaleel,
 - of the children of Perez;

- 5. And Maaseiah the son of Baruch, the son of Col-hozeh, the son of Hazaiah, the son of Adaiah, the son of Joiarib, the son of Zechariah, the son of Shiloni.
- 6. All the sons of Perez that dwelt at Jerusalem
- were four hundred threescore and eight valiant men.
- 7. **And** these are
 - the sons of Benjamin; Sallu the son of Meshullam, the son of Joed, the son of Pedaiah, the son of Kolaiah, the son of Maaseiah, the son of Ithiel, the son of Jesaiah.
 - 8. And after him Gabbai, Sallai, nine hundred twenty and
- nine hundred twenty andeight.
- 9. And Joel the son of Zichri
 was their overseer: and
 Judah the son of Senuah
- was second over the city.

 Of the priests: Jedajah the
 - Of the priests: Jedaiah the son of Joiarib, Jachin.
 - 11. Seraiah the son of Hilkiah, the son of Meshullam, the son of Zadok, the son of Meraioth, the son of Ahitub, was the ruler of the house of God.
 - 12. And their brethren that did the work of the house

■ were eight hundred twenty

- two: and Adaiah the son of Jeroham, the son of Pelaliah, the son of Amzi, the son of Zechariah, the son of Pashur, the son of Malchiah.
 - 13. And his brethren, chief of the fathers,
- two hundred forty and
 two: and Amashai the son of Azareel, the son of Ahasai, the son of Meshillemoth, the son of Immer
 - 14. And their brethren, mighty men of valour,
- an hundred twenty and
 eight: and their overseer
 was Zabdiel, the son of one of the great men.
- 15. Also of the Levites: Shemaiah the son of Hashub, the son of Azrikam, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Bunni:

- 16. And Shabbethai and Jozabad, of the chief of the Levites, *had* the oversight of the outward business of the house of God.
- 17. And Matlaniah the son of Micha, the son of Zabdi, the son of Asaph, was the principal to begin the thanksgiving in prayer: and Bakbukiah the second among his brethren, and Abda the son of Shammua, the son of Galal, the son of Jeduthun.
- 18. All the Levites in the holy city

 were two hundred

 fourscore and four.
 - 19. **Moreover the porters,** Akkub, Talmon, and their brethren that kept the gates.
 - were an hundred seventy and two.
 - 20. And the residue of
- priests, and the
 Levites, were in all the
 cities of Judah, every one in his
- inheritance.

 21. **But the Nethinims dwelt**in Ophel: and Ziha and Gispa were
 - in Opnel: and Ziha and Gispa were over the Nethinims.22. The overseer also
 - of the Levites at Jerusalem was Uzzi the son of Bani, the son of Hashabiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Micha.
 Of the sons of Asaph,
- the singers were over
 the business of the
 house of God.
- 23. For it was the king's commandment
- concerning them,
- that a certain portion should be for the singers, due for
- singers, due for every day.
 - 24. **And Pethahiah** the son of Meshezabeel, of the children of Zerah the son of Judah,
- was at the king's hand
 in all matters concerning
 the people.
 - 25. And for the villages, with their fields, *some* of the children of Judah

dwelt at Kiriath-arba, and in the villages thereof, and at Dibon, and in the villages thereof, and at Jekabzeel, and in the villages thereof, 26. And at Jeshua, and at Moladah. and at Beth-phelet. 27. And at Hazar-shual, and at Beer-sheba, and in the villages thereof. 28. And at Ziklag, and at Mekonah, and in the villages thereof. 29. And at En-rimmon, and at Zareah, and at Jarmuth. 30. Zanoah, Adullam, and in their villages, at Lachish, and the fields thereof, at Azekah, and in the villages thereof. And they dwelt from Beer-sheba unto the valley of Hinnom. 31. The children also of Benjamin from Geba dwelt at Michmash, and

from Geba dwelt at Michmash, and Aija, and Beth-el, and in their villages.

32. And at Anathoth. Nob. Ananiah.

33. Hazor, Ramah, Gittaim.

34. Hadid, Zeboim, Neballat,

35. Lod, and Ono, the valley of craftsmen.

36. And of the Levites were divisions in Judah, and in Benjamin.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. Now these *are* the priests and the Levites that went up with Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, and Jeshua: Seraiah, Jeremiah, Ezra,
- 2. Amariah, Malluch, Hattush,
- 3. Shechaniah, Rehum, Meremoth,
- 4. Iddo, Ginnetho, Abijah,
- 5. Miamin, Maadiah, Bilgah,
- 6. Shemaiah, and Joiarib, Jedaiah,
- Sallu, Amok, Hilkiah, Jedaiah.
 These were the chief of the priests and of their brethren in the days of Jeshua.
- 8. Moreover the Levites: Jeshua, Binnui, Kadmiel, Sherebiah, Judah, and Mattaniah, which was over the thanksgiving, he and his brethren.
- Also Bakbukiah and Unni, their brethren, were over against them in the watches.
- And Jeshua begat Joiakim, Joiakim also begat Eliashib,

and Eliashib begat Joiada,

 And Joiada begat Jonathan, and Jonathan begat Jaddua.
 And in the days of Joiakim

were priests, the chief of the fathers: of Seraiah, Meraiah; of Jeremiah. Hananiah:

13. Of Ezra, Meshullam; of Amariah, Jehohanan;

14. Of Melicu, Jonathan; of Shebaniah, Joseph;

15. Of Harim, Adna; of Merajoth, Helkai:

16. Of Iddo, Zechariah; of Ginnethon, Meshullam;

17. Of Abijah, Zichri; of Miniamin, of Moadiah, Piltai:

 Of Bilgah, Shammua; of Shemaiah, Jehonathan;

19. And of Joiarib, Mattenai; of Jedaiah, Uzzi;

20. Of Sallai, Kallai; of Amok, Eber;

21. Of Hilkiah, Hashabiah; of Jedaiah, Nethaneel.

22. The Levites in the days of Eliashib, Joiada, and Johanan, and Jaddua, were recorded chief of the fathers: also the priests, to the reign of Darius the Persian.

23. The sons of Levi, the chief of the fathers, were written in the book of the chronicles, even until the days of Johanan the son of Eliashib.

24. And the chief of the Levites: Hashabiah, Sherebiah, and Jeshua the son of Kadmiel, with their brethren over against them, to praise and to give thanks, according to the commandment of David the man of God, ward over against ward.

25. Mattaniah, and Bakbukiah, Obadiah, Meshullam, Talmon, Akkub, were porters keeping the ward at the thresholds of the gates.

26. These were in the days of Joiakim the son of Jeshua, the son of Jozadak, and in the days of Nehemiah the governor, and of Ezra the priest, the scribe.

■ 27. And at the dedication of the wall of Jerusalem

they sought the Levites

■ | out of all their places,

■ I to bring them to Jerusalem. to keep the dedication ■ with aladness, both with thanksgivings, and with

singing, with cymbals, psalteries, and with harps. 28. And the sons of the singers gathered themselves together. both out of the plain country round about Jerusalem, and from the

villages of Netophathi: 29. Also from the house of Gilgal. and out of the fields of Geba and Azmayeth: for the singers had builded them villages round about Jerusalem.

30. And the priests and the Levites purified themselves, and purified the people, and

the gates, and the wall.

31. Then I brought up the princes of Judah upon the wall, and appointed two great

companies of them that gave thanks.

whereof one went on the right

hand upon the wall

toward the dung gate:

32. And after them went Hoshaiah. and half of the princes of Judah. 33. And Azariah, Ezra.

and Meshullam 34. Judah, and Benjamin, and Shemaiah, and Jeremiah.

35. And certain of the priests' sons with trumpets; namely, Zechariah the son of Jonathan, the son of Shemaiah, the son of Mattaniah, the son of Michaiah, the son of Zaccur, the son of Asaph:

36. And his brethren, Shemaiah. and Azarael, Milalai, Gilalai, Maai, Nethaneel, and Judah, Hanani,

with the musical instruments of David the man of God.

and Ezra the scribe before them.

37. And at the fountain gate, which was over against them, they went up by the stairs of the city of David.

at the going up of the wall, above the house of David, even unto the water gate eastward.

38. And the other company of them that gave thanks went over against them.

and I after them, and the half of the people upon the wall, from beyond the tower of the furnaces even unto the broad wall:

> 39. And from above the gate of Ephraim, and above the old gate, and above the fish gate, and the tower of Hananeel, and the tower of Meah. even unto the sheep gate: and they stood still in the prison gate.

40. So stood the two companies of them

that gave thanks in the house of God, and I, and the half of the rulers with me:

41. And the priests; Eliakim, Maaseiah, Miniamin, Michaiah, Elioenai, Zechariah, and Hananiah, with trumpets:

42. And Maaseiah, and Shemaiah, and Eleazar, and Uzzi, and Jehohanan, and Malchijah, and Elam, and Ezer,

And the singers sangloud. with Jezrahiah their overseer.

43. Also that day

they offered areat sacrifices, and rejoiced:

for God had made them rejoice with great joy: the wives also and the children rejoiced:

so that the joy of Jerusalem was heard even afar off.

44. And at that time were some appointed over the chambers for the

treasures, for the

offerings, for the

firstfruits, and for

the tithes, to gather into them

out of the fields of

the cities the portions of the law

for the priests and Levites: for Judah rejoiced for the priests and for the

- Levites that waited. 45 And both the singers and the porters kept the ward of their God, and the ward of the purification, according to the commandment of
- David, and of Solomon his son. 46. For in the days of David and Asaph of old there were chief of the singers, and songs of praise and thanksgiving unto God.
- 47. And all Israel in the days of Zerubbabel, and in the days of Nehemiah.
- gave the portions of the singers and the porters. every day his portion:
- **and** they
- sanctified holy things ■ unto the Levites; and the
- Levites sanctified them unto ■ the children of Agron.

 On that day they read in the book of Moses

in the audience of the people; and

- therein was found written
- that the Ammonite and the Moabite should not come
- into the congregation of God for ever:
- 2. Because they met
- **not** the children of
- Israel with bread and with
 - water, but hired **Balaam** against them,
- that he should curse
- them: howbeit our
- God turned the curse
- into a blessina.
- 3. Now it came to pass,
- when they had
- heard the law, that
- they separated from Israel all the mixed multitude.
- 4. And before this,
- Eliashib the priest,
- having the oversight of the chamber of the
- house of our God, was

- allied unto Tobiah:
- 5. And he had prepared for him a great chamber.
- where aforetime they
 - laid the meat
- offerings, the frankincense, and
- the vessels, and the tithes of the corn, the new wine, and the oil, which was commanded
 - to be given to the
- Levites, and
 - the singers, and
- the porters; and the offerings of the priests.
- 6 But in all this time was
- not I at Jerusalem: for in the two and thirtieth year of Artaxerxes king of Babylon came I unto the king.
- and after certain
- days obtained I
 - leave of the kina:
- 7. And I came to Jerusalem. and understood of the evil
- that Eliashib did for
- **Tobiah**, in preparing him a chamber in the courts of the house of God.
- 8. And it grieved me sore: therefore
- I cast forth all the household stuff to
- **Tobiah** out of the chamber.
 - Then I commanded.
- and they cleansed the
- chambers: and thither
- **brought** I again
- the vessels of the house
 - of God, with the meat offering and the frankincense.
- 10. And I perceived that the portions of the Levites had not been given them: for the
- Levites and the singers, that did the work, were fled every one to his field.
- 11. Then contended I with the rulers, and said, Why
- is the house of God
 - forsaken? And I gathered
 - them together, and
- set them in their place.
- 12. Then brought all
- Judah the tithe of the
- corn and the new
 - wine and the
- oil unto the treasuries.

13 And I made treasurers over the treasuries. Shelemiah the priest, and Zadok the scribe, and of the Levites, Pedajah; and next to them was Hanan the son of Zaccur. the son of Mattaniah; for they were counted faithful, and their office was to distribute unto their brethren. Remember me. O my God. concerning this, and wipe not out my good deeds that I have done for the house of my God, and

for the offices thereof. 15. In those days

SOW I in Judah

some treading wine

presses on the sabbath. and bringing in

sheaves, and lading

GSSES: as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens. which they brought into Jerusalem

on the sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals.

16. There dwelt men of

Tyre also therein.

which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the children of

Judah, and in Jerusalem.

17. Then I contended with the nobles of Judah and said unto them.

What evil thing is this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day? 18. Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil

upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the sabbath.

> 19. And it came to pass, that when the gates of Jerusalem began to be dark before the sabbath.

I commanded that the gates should be shut, and charged

that they should

not be opened till after the sabbath: and some of my servants set I at the gates, that

there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath day. 20. So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware lodged without Jerusalem once or twice.

21. **Then I** testified against them, and

said unto them. Why lodge ve about the wall? if ve do so again. I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no *more* on

the sabbath.

22. And I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves.

and that they should come and keep the gates, to

sanctify the sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy.

23. In those days also saw I Jews that had

married wives of Ashdod, of Ammon, and of

Moab:

24. And their children spake half in the speech of Ashdod, and could not speak in the

Jews' language, but according to the language of each people. 25 And I contended with them, and cursed them, and smote

certain of them, and plucked off their hair, and made them swear by God. saying. Ye shall not give your daughters unto 8

their sons, nor take their daughters unto your

sons, or for yourselves. 26. Did not Solomon king of Israel

sin by these things? yet among many nations

was there no king like him, who was beloved of his

God, and God made him king over all Israel: nevertheless even him did outlandish women cause to sin.

27. Shall we then hearken unto you to

	do all this great evil, to transgress against our God in marrying strange wives? 28. And one of the sons of Joiada, the son of Eliashib the high priest, was son in law to Sanballat the Horonite: therefore I chased him from me. 29. Remember them, O my God, because they have defiled the priesthood,		and the covenant of the priesthood, and of the Levites. 30. Thus cleansed I them from all strangers, and appointed the wards of the priests and the Levites, every one in his business; 31. And for the wood offering, at times appointed, and for the firstfruits. Remember me, O my God, for good.
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- I 1. Now it came to pass in the days of
- Ahasuerus, (this is Ahasuerus which
- reigned, from India even unto Ethiopia.
- over an hundred and seven and twenty ■ provinces:)
 - 2. That in those days. when the king Ahasuerus
- the throne of his kingdom, which
- was in Shushan the palace, 3. In the third year of his
- reign, he made a feast unto all his princes and his
- servants: the power of Persia and Media, the nobles and princes of the provinces,

being before him:

- 4. When he shewed the riches of his glorious kingdom and the honour of his excellent majesty many days, even an hundred and fourscore days.
- 5. And when these days were expired, the king made a feast unto all the people that were present in Shushan the palace.

both unto great and small, seven days, in the court of the garden of the king's palace;

- 6. Where were white, green, and blue, hangings, fastened with cords of fine linen and purple to silver rings and pillars of marble; the beds were of gold and silver, upon a pavement of red, and blue, and white, and black, marble.
- 7. And they gave them drink in vessels of gold, (the vessels being diverse one from another,) and royal wine in abundance, according to the state of the king.
- 8. And the drinking was according to the law; none did compel: for so the king had appointed to all the officers of his house, that they should do according to every man's pleasure.
- 9. Also Vashti the queen

made a feast for the

- women in the royal house which belonged to king Ahasuerus.
- 10. On the seventh day. when the heart of
- the king was merry with wine, he commanded Mehuman, Biztha.
 - Harbona, Bigtha, and Abagtha, Zethar, and Carcas.

the seven chamberlains

that served in the presence of Ahasuerus the king.

11. To bring Vashti the queen before the kina

with the crown royal.

to shew the people and the princes

her beauty:

for she was fair to look on.

- 12. But the aueen Vashti refused to come at the king's commandment by his chamberlains:
- therefore was the king very wroth, and his anger burned in him.
- 13. Then the king said to the wise men, which knew the times, (for so was the king's manner toward
 - all that knew law and judgment: 14. And the next unto him was Carshena, Shethar, Admatha, Tarshish, Meres, Marsena, and Memucan, the seven princes of
 - Persia and Media, which saw the king's face, and which sat the first in the kinadom;)
- 15 What shall we do unto the queen Vashti according to law,
- because she hath not performed the
- commandment of the king
- Ahasuerus by the chamberlains?
- 16 And Memucan
- answered before the king and the princes,
- Vashti the gueen
- hath not done wrong to
- the king only, but also to all the princes, and
- to all the people that are in all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.
- 17. For this deed of the queen shall come abroad unto
- all women, so that they

- shall despise their husbands in their eyes, when it shall be reported. The king Ahasuerus commanded Vashti the queen to be brought in before him, but she came not
- 18. Likewise shall the ladies of Persia and Media say this day unto all the king's princes,
- which have heard of the deed of the queen. Thus shall there arise too much contempt and wrath.
 - 19. **If it please the I kina. let** there go
- a royal commandment from him, and let it
- be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered,
- That Vashti come no more before king Ahasuerus;
- and let the king
 give her royal estate unto
- another that is better than she.
 20. And when the king's
- 20. And when the king s
 decree which he shall make
 - shall be published throughout all his empire, (for it is great,)
- all the wives shall give to their husbands honour, both to great and small.
- 21. And the saying pleased
- the king and the princes; and the king did according to the word of Memucan:
- 22. For he sent letters into all the king's provinces, into every province according to the writing thereof, and to every people after their language,
- that every man should bear rule in his own house, and that it should be published

according to the language of every people.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. After these things, when the wrath of king
- Ahasuerus was appeased, he remembered Vashti,

and what she had done, and what

was decreed against her.

 Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him,

Let there be fair youngvirgins sought for the king:

- 3. And let the king appoint officers in all the provinces of his kingdom, that they may gather
- that they may gather together all the fair young virgins unto Shushan the palace.
- unto Shushan the palace,
 to the house of the women,
 unto the custody of Hege the king's chamberlain, keeper of the women;
 and let their
- things for purification be given them:
- 4. And let the maiden which pleaseth the king be queen instead of Vashti. And the thing pleased the king;
 and he did so
- 5. Now in Shushan the palace
- there was a certain
 Jew, whose name was
 Mordecai, the son of Jair,
 the son of Shimei, the son of Kish,
- the son of Shimei, the son of Kish,
 a Benjamite;

 6. Who had been carried
- away from Jerusalem with the captivity which had been carried away with Jeconiah king
 of Judah, whom
- Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon had carried away.
- 7. And he brought
 Up Hadassah, that is
- Esther, his uncle's
 daughter: for she had neither
 father nor mother, and the
- maid was fair and beautiful;
 whom Mordecai, when
- her father and mother were dead, took for his own daughter.
- 8. **So** it came to pass, when the king's

- **commandment** and his decree
 - was heard, and when many maidens were gathered together unto Shushan the palace, to the custody of Hegai, that
 - Esther was brought also unto the king's house, to

- the custody of Hegai, keeper of the women.
- 9. And the maiden pleased him, and she
- pleased him, and she obtained kindness of him;
- and he speedily
- gave her her
- things for purification, with such things as belonged to her.
- and seven maidens,
 which were meet to be given her.

out of the king's house:

- and he preferred her and her maids unto
- the best place of the
 - house of the women.

 10. Esther had not shewed her
 - Esther had not shewed her people nor her kindred: for Mordecai had charged her that she should not shew it.
 - 11. And Mordecai walked every day before the court of the women's house, to know how Esther did, and what should become of her.
- 12. Now when every maid's turn was come to go in
- to king Ahasuerus,
- twelve months, according to the manner of the women,
- (for so were the days
 of their purifications
 accomplished, to wit.
- six months with oil of
- myrrh, and six months with sweet odours, and with other
- things for the purifying of the women;)
 13. Then thus came every
 maiden unto the king;
 whatsoever she desired
- was given her to go with her out of the house of the women unto the kind's house.
- 14. In the evening she went,
 and on the morrow she
 returned into the second
 house of the women,

to the custody of Shaashgaz, the king's chamberlain, which kept the concubines:

 she came in unto the king no more, except the king delighted in her, and that

- she were called by name.
- 15. Now when the turn of
 Esther, the daughter of Abihail the uncle of Mordecai, who had taken her for his daughter.
- was come to go in unto the king, she required nothing but what
- Hegai the king's chamberlain, the keeper of the women,
- appointed. And Esther
 obtained favour in the sight
 of all them
- I that looked upon her.

16. So Esther was taken unto king Ahasuerus into his house royal in the tenth month, which is the month Tebeth, in the seventh year of his reign.

- 17. And the king loved ■ Esther above all the
- women, and she obtained grace and favour in his sight more than all the virgins;
- so that he set the royal crown upon her head, and made her queen instead of Vashti.
 - 18. Then the king made a great feast unto all his princes and his servants.
- even Esther's feast; and he
 made a release to the
 provinces, and gave gifts,

according to the state of the king.

19. And when the virgins were gathered together the second time, then Mordecai sat in the king's gate.

- 20. Esther had not yet shewed her kindred nor her people;
- as Mordecai had charged her: for Esther did the
 - **her:** for Esther did the commandment of Mordecai, like as when she was brought up with him.
- 21. In those days, while
 Mordecai sat in the king's
 gate, two of the king's
- Chamberlains, Bigthan and Teresh, of those which kept the door, were wroth, and
- sought to lay hands on the king Ahasuerus.

- 22. And the thing was known to
 Mordecai, who
 told if unto Esther the queen;
 and Esther certified the
 king thereof in
 Mordecai's name.
- 23. **And when** inquisition was made of
- the matter, it
- was found out; therefore they were both hanged on a tree: and it was written in the book of

tree: and it was written in the book the chronicles before the king.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. After these things did
 king Ahasuerus promote
 Haman the son of Hammedatha
- the Agagite, and advanced him, and set his seat
- **above all the princes** that were with him.
- 2. And all the king's servants, that were in the king's gate.
- bowed, and reverenced
 Haman: for the king had so
 commanded concerning him.
 But Mordecai bowed not,
 nor did him reverence.
 - 3. Then the king's servants, which were in the king's gate, said unto Mordecai. Why transgressest thou the king's commandment?
 - 4. Now it came to pass, when they spake daily unto him, and he hearkened not unto them, that they told Haman, to see whether Mordecai's matters would stand: for he had told them that he was a Jew.
- 5. And when Haman saw that Mordecai bowed not, nor did him reverence, then was Haman full of wrath.
 6. And
- he thought scorn
 to lay hands on Mordecai

alone; for they had shewed him the people of Mordecai:

wherefore Haman sought
 to destroy all the Jews
 that were throughout the whole

that were throughout the whole kingdom of Ahasuerus, even

the people of Mordecai.

- 7. In the first month, that is, the month Nisan, in the twelfth year of king Ahasuerus, they cast Pur, that is, the lot, before Haman from day to day, and from month to month, to the twelfth month, that is, the month Adar.
- 8. And Haman said unto king Ahasuerus, There is a certain people scattered abroad and dispersed among the people in all the provinces
- of thy kingdom; and their laws are diverse from all people;
- neither keep they the king's laws: therefore it is not for the king's profit to suffer them.
- 9. If it please the king, let
 it be written that they may
 be destroyed: and I will
- pay ten thousand talents
 of silver to the hands of
 those that have the
- **charge** of the business, to bring *it* into the king's treasuries.
- 10. And the king took his ring from his hand.
- and gave if unto Haman
 the son of Hammedatha the Agagite,
- the Jews' enemy.
 And the king said
- unto Haman,

 The silver is given to thee,
- the people also, to do
 with them as it seemeth
 good to thee.
- 12. Then were the king's scribes called on the thirteenth day of the first month.
- and there was written according to all that

Haman had commanded
unto the king's lieutenants, and to the
governors that were over every
province, and to the rulers of every
people of every province according to

the writing thereof, and to every people after their language; in the name of king Ahasuerus was it written, and sealed with the king's ring.

13 And the letters were sent

- by posts into all the king'sprovinces, to destroy,
- to kill, and to cause to perish,
- **all Jews**, both young and old, little children and women, in one day,
- even upon the thirteenth day of the twelfth month,
 - which is the month Adar, and to take the spoil of them for a prey.
- 14. The copy of the writing for a commandment to be given in every provice
- was published unto all
 people, that they should be
 ready against that day.
 - 15. The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and the decree was given in Shushan the palace.
- And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but
- the city Shushan was perplexed.
- | = | perplexed.

- | 1. When Mordecai
- perceived all that was done, Mordecai
 - rent his clothes, and
- put on sackcloth with
- ashes, and went out into
- the midst of the city, and cried with a loud and a bitter cry;
 - And came even before the king's gate: for none *might* enter into the king's gate clothed with sackcloth.
- 3. And in every province, whithersoever the king's
- commandment and his decree came, there was great mourning
- among the Jews,■ and fasting, and
- weeping, and wailing;
- and many lay in
- sackcloth and ashes.

 4. So Esther's maids
 - and her chamberlains
- came and told it
 - **her.** Then was the queen exceedingly grieved; and she sent raiment to clothe Mordecai, and to take away his sackcloth from him; but he received it not.

- 5. Then called Esther for Hatach, one of the king's chamberlains, whom he had appointed to attend upon her,
 and gave him a
- and gave him acommandment to
- Mordecai, to know what
 - it was, and why it was.
 - 6. So Hatach went forth to Mordecai unto the street of the city, which was before the king's gate.
- 7. And Mordecai told
- happened unto him.
- **and** of the sum of
- the money that Haman had promised to pay to the
- king's treasuries for the■ Jews, to destroy them.
- 8. Also he gave him the COPY of the writing of
- the decree that was given at Shushan to destroy them,
- to shew it unto
- **Esther, and** to declare *it* unto her, and to charge her
- that she should go in
 unto the king, to make
 supplication unto him.
 - and to make request before him
- for her people.

 9. And Hatach came and
- told Esther the words of Mordecai.
- 10. Again Esther spake
 unto Hatach, and gave
 him commandment
- unto Mordecai;
- 11. All the king's
 servants, and the people of the king's provinces, do
- know, that whosoever, whether man or women,
- shall come unto the king into the inner court,
- who is not called, there is one law of his
- to put *him* to death,
- except such to whom
- the king shall hold out the golden sceptre, that he
 - may live: but I have not been called to come in unto the king

these thirty days.

12. And they told to Mordecai Esther's words.

■ 13. Then Mordecai

commanded to answer
Esther. Think not with

thyself that thou shalt

escape in the king's house, more than all the Jews.

14. For if thou altogether holdest thy peace

at this time. *then*

■ shall there enlargement and

deliverance arise to the Jews from another

place: but thou and thy father's house shall be destroyed:

and who knoweth whether
 thou art come to the
 kingdom for such a time

as this?

15. Then Esther bade them return Mordecai

this answer.

16. Go, gather together all the Jews that are present

in Shushan, and fast ye

for me, and neither eat nor drink
three days, night or day: I also
and my maidens will fast likewise:

■ and so will I go in unto

the king, which is not according to the law:

and if I perish, I perish.

■ 17. So Mordecai went his way, and

did according to all that Esther had

commanded him.

CHAPTER 5

■ 1. Now it came to pass

on the third day, that

■ Esther put on *her* royal

■ *apparel*, and stood in the

inner court of the king's house, over against the king's house:

and the king sat upon

■ his royal

throne in the royal house, over against the gate of the house.

2. And it was so.

when the king saw Esther the

queen standing in the court, that she obtained

favour in his sight:

and the king held

out to Esther

the golden sceptre that was in his hand.

So Esther drew near,

and touched the top of the sceptre.

3. Then said the king unto her, What wilt thou, queen Esther? and what is thy request? it

shall be even given thee to the half of the kingdom.

4. And Esther answered,
If it seem good unto the king,

let the king and Haman come this day unto the banquet that I have

prepared for him.

5. Then the king said, Cause Haman to make haste, that he may do as Esther hath said.

So the king and Haman came to the banquet that Esther had prepared.

6. **And the king**

said unto Esther

at the banquet of wine,

■ What is thy petition? and ■ it shall be granted

thee: and what is thy request?

even to the half of

the kingdom it shall be performed.

7. **Then answered Esther**, and said, My petition and my request *is*;

8. **If I have found favour** in the sight of the king, and if it

please the king to grant my petition, and to perform my request,

let the king and Haman
 come to the banquet that I
 shall prepare for them,
 and I will do to-morrow
 as the king hath said.

as the king hath said.
9. Then went Haman

forth that day joyful and with a glad heart: but

■ when Haman saw

Mordecai in the king's gate, that he stood not up, nor moved for him,

he was full of indianation against Mordecai. 10. Nevertheless Haman refrained himself: and when he came home, he sent and called for his friends. and Zeresh his wife. 11. And Haman told them of the glory of his riches, and the multitude of his children, and all the things wherein the king had promoted him. and how he had advanced him above the princes and servants of the king. 12. Haman said moreover. Yea. Esther the gueen ■ did let no man come in with the king unto the **banquet** that she had prepared ■ | but myself; and to-morrow am I invited unto her also with the kina. 13. Yet all this availeth me nothing, so long as I see Mordecai the Jew sitting at the king's gate. 14. Then said Zeresh his wife and all his friends unto him. Let a gallows be made of fifty cubits high, and to-morrow speak thou unto the king that Mordecai may be hanged thereon: then go thou in merrily with the king unto the banquet.

CHAPTER 6 ■ 1 On that night could not the king sleep. ■ and he commanded to bring the book of records of ■ | the chronicles: and thev were read before the king. ■ 2. And it was found written, that Mordecai had told of Bigthana and Teresh. two of the king's chamberlains,

And the thing pleased Haman; and he caused

■ I the gallows to be made.

the keepers of the door. who sought to lay hand on the king Ahasuerus. 3. And the king said, What honour and dignity hath been done to Mordecai for this? Then said the king's servants that ministered unto him, There is nothing done for him. 4. And the king said, Who is in the court? Now Haman was come into the outward. court of the king's house, to speak unto the king to hang Mordecai on the gallows that he had prepared for him. 5. And the king's servants said unto him. Behold. Haman standeth in the court. And the king said, Let him come in. 6. So Haman came in. And the king said unto him. What shall be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour? Now Haman thought in his heart. To whom would the king delight to do honour more than to myself? 7. And Haman answered the king, For the man whom the king delighteth to honour, Let the royal apparel be brought which the king useth to wear, and the horse that the king rideth upon, and the crown royal which is set upon his head: And let this apparel and horse be delivered to the hand of one of the king's most noble princes, that they may array the man withal

whom the king delighteth to honour, and bring him on horseback through the street of

the city, and proclaim before him, Thus shall it be done to the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

- 1 10. Then the king said to Haman, Make haste, and
- take the apparel and
- the horse.

as thou hast said.

and do even so

to Mordecai the Jew. that sitteth at the king's gate: let nothing fail of

all that thou hast spoken.

11. Then took

Haman the apparel and the horse, and

arrayed Mordecai, and brought him on horseback

through the street of

the city, and

proclaimed before him.
Thus shall it be done unto the man whom the king delighteth to honour.

12. And Mordecai came again to the king's gate. But Haman hasted to his house mourning, and having his head covered.

13. And Haman told Zeresh

his wife and all his I friends every thing that had befallen him.

Then said his wise men and Zeresh his

wife unto him.

If Mordecai be of the seed

of the Jews, before whom thou hast begun to fall.

thou shalt not prevail against him.

but shalt surely fall

before him.

14. And while they were yet

talking with him, came

the king's

chamberlains, and

hasted to bring Haman

unto the banquet that Esther had prepared.

CHAPTER 7

- | 1. So the king and Haman came to banquet with
- Esther the queen.
- 2. And the king said again unto Esther on the second day at the banquet of wine.

What *is* thy petition, queen Esther? and it shall be

aranted thee; and what is thy request? and it shall be performed. even to the half of the kingdom.

3. Then Esther the gueen answered and said. If I have found favour in thy sight. O king, and if it please the king, let my life be given me at my petition.

and my people at my request: For we are sold.

I and my people.

to be destroyed, to be slain, and to perish. But if we had been sold for bondmen and bondwomen. I had held my tongue. although the enemy could not countervail the king's damage.

5. Then the king Ahasuerus answered and said unto Esther the queen.

Who is he, and where is he.

that durst presume in his heart to do so?

6. And Esther said. The adversary and enemy is this wicked Haman. Then Haman was afraid before the king and the queen.

And the king arising from the banquet of wine

in his wrath went into the palace garden: and Haman stood up to make request for his life to Esther

the queen; for he saw that there was evil determined against him by the king.

8. Then the king returned out of the palace garden into the place of the banquet of wine:

and Haman was fallen upon the bed whereon Esther was. Then said the

king, Will he force the queen also before me

in the house? As the word went out of king's mouth, they covered Haman's face.

And Harbonah, one of the chamberlains, said before the king. Behold also.

the aallows fifty cubits high, which Haman had ■ I made for Mordecai, who had spoken good for the king. standeth in the house of ■ Haman. Then the king said. ■ Hang him thereon.

■ 10. So they hanged Haman on the gallows that he had

prepared for Mordecai. Then was the king's wrath pacified.

CHAPTER 8

■ 1 1. On that day did

the king Ahasuerus

give the house of Haman the Jews' enemy

unto Esther the queen.

And Mordecai came before the king: for Esther had told what he was unto her.

■ 2. And the king took off his ring, which he had taken from Haman, and aave it unto Mordecai. And Esther set Mordecai over the house of Haman.

3. And Esther spake yet again before the king,

and fell down at his feet.

and besought him with tears to put away the mischief of Haman

the Agagite, and his device that he had devised

against the Jews.

4. Then the king held out the golden sceptre toward

Esther. So Esther arose, and stood before the king.

5. And said, If it please the king, and if I have favour in his sight, and the thing seem right

before the king, and

I be pleasing in his eyes, let it be written to reverse the letters devised by Haman

the son of Hammedatha the Agagite, which he wrote to destroy the Jews which are in all the king's provinces:

6. For how can I endure to see the evil that shall come unto my people? or how can I endure

to see the destruction

of my kindred?

7. Then the king Ahasuerus said unto Esther the queen

and to

Mordecai the Jew, Behold, I have given Esther the house of Haman. and him they have hanged upon the gallows, because he laid his hand upon the Jews.

8. Write ve also

for the Jews, as it liketh you, in the king's name.

and seal it with the king's ring: for the writing which is

written in the king's name, and sealed with the king's ring.

may no man reverse.

Then were the king's scribes called at that time in the third month, that is, the month Sivan, on the three and twentieth day thereof:

and it was written according to all that

Mordecai commanded unto the Jews, and to the lieutenants, and the deputies and rulers of the provinces which are from India unto Ethiopia, an hundred twenty and seven provinces, unto every province according to the writing thereof, and unto every people after their language, and to the Jews according to their writing, and according to their language.

10. And he wrote in the kina Ahasuerus' name. and sealed it with the king's ring.

and sent letters by posts on horseback, and riders on mules. camels, and young dromedaries:

11. Wherein the king granted the Jews which were in every city to gather themselves together, and

to stand for their life. to destroy, to slay and to cause to perish.

all the power of the people and province

that would assault them. both little ones and women, and to take the spoil of them for a prey,

- 12. Upon one day in all the provinces of king Ahasuerus, namely, upon the thirteenth day of the twelfth month, which is the month Adar.
- 13. The copy of the

writing for a commandment to be given in every province

- was published unto all people, and that the Jews should be ready against that day
- to avenge themselves on their enemies.
 - 14. So the posts that rode upon mules and camels went out, being hastened and pressed on by the king's commandment. And the decree was given at Shushan the palace.
 - 15. And Mordecai went out from the presence of the king in royal apparel of

blue and white, and with a great crown of gold, and with a garment of fine linen and purple:

- and the city of Shushan rejoiced and was glad.
 - 16. The Jews had light, and gladness, and joy, and honour.
- 17. And in every province, and in every city, whithersoever the king's commandment and his decree came.
- the Jews had joy and
- gladness, a feast and a good day.
 And many of the
- people of the land
- became Jews; for the fear ■ of the Jews fell upon them.

- Now in the twelfth month. that is, the month Adar, on
- the thirteenth day of the same, ■ when the king's
- commandment and his decree drew near to be put in
- execution, in the day that the enemies of the Jews hoped to have power over them, (though it was turned to the contrary, that the Jews had rule over them that hated them.)
 - 2. The Jews gathered themselves

- together in their cities throughout all the provinces of the king Ahasuerus.
- to lay hand on such as sought their hurt: and no man could withstand
- them: for the fear of them fell upon all people.
- 3. And all the rulers of the provinces, and the lieutenants, and the deputies, and officers of the king, helped the Jews: because the fear of
- Mordecai fell upon them. 4. For Mordecai was great in the king's house, and his fame went out throughout all the provinces: for this man Mordecai
- waxed greater and greater. 5. Thus the Jews smote
 - all their enemies with the stroke of the sword, and slaughter. and destruction.
- and did what they would unto those that hated them.
 - 6. And in Shushan the palace the Jews slew and
 - destroyed five hundred men.
 - 7. And Parshandatha, and Dalphon, and Aspatha,
 - 8. And Poratha, and Adalia, and Aridatha.
 - 9. And Parmashta, and Arisai, and Aridai, and Vaiezatha.
 - 10. The ten sons of Haman the son of Hammedatha, the enemy of the Jews, slew they; but on the spoil laid they not their hand.
 - 11. On that day the number of those that were slain in Shushan the palace was brought before the king.
- 12. And the king said unto Esther the gueen.
- The Jews have stain and destroyed five hundred
- men in Shushan the palace.
- and the ten sons of Haman; what have they done in the rest of the king's provinces?
 - now what is thy petition? and

it shall be granted thee: or what is thy request further? and it shall be done.

- 13. Then said Esther, If it
 please the king, let it be
 granted to the Jews which
 - are in Shushan to do
 to-morrow also according
- unto this day's decree,
 and let Haman's ten
 sons be hanged upon
 - 14. And the king commanded it so to be done:
- and the decree was
- given at Shushan;

the aallows.

- and they hanged Haman's ten sons.
- 15. For the Jews that were
- in Shushan gathered themselves together on the fourteenth day also of the month Adar, and
- slew three hundred men at Shushan;
- but on the prey they laid not their hand.
- 16. But the other
- Jews that were
- in the king's provinces gathered themselves together, and

gathered themselves together, and stood for their lives, and had rest from their enemies, and

- slew of their foes seventy
 and five thousand, but
 they laid not their hands
 on the prey,
 - 17. On the thirteenth day of the month Adar; and on the fourteenth day of the same rested they, and made it a day of feasting and gladness.
- 18. But the Jews that were
 at Shushan assembled
 together
- on the thirteenth day thereof, and on the fourteenth

thereof: and

- on the fifteenth day of the same
- they rested, and made
 it a day of feasting
 and gladness.
- 19. Therefore the Jewsof the villages, that dwelt

in the unwalled towns.

- made the fourteenth
- day of the month Adar
- a day of gladness and feasting, and a good day, and of
 - sending portions one to another.
- 20. And Mordecai wrote these things, and
- sent letters unto all
- the Jews that were
- in all the provinces■ of the king Ahasuerus,

both nigh and far,

- 21. To stablish this among them,
- that they should keep thefourteenth day of the month Adar,
- and thefifteenth day of the same,
- yearly,
 22. As the days wherein the
- Jews rested from their enemies, and the month which was turned unto them from sorrow to joy,
- and from mourning into a good day:
 that they should make them
- days of feasting and joy,and of sending portions
 - one to another, and
- giffs to the poor.
- And the Jews undertook
- to do as they had begun, and as
- Mordecai had
- written unto them;
- 24. Because Haman the son of Hammedatha, the Agagite, the enemy of all the Jews,
- had devised against the Jews
 to destroy them, and had cast
 Pur, that is, the lot, to consume them, and to destroy them;
- 25. But when Esther camebefore the king, he
- commanded by letters that
- his wicked device, which he devised against the Jews,
- should return upon his own
- **head**, and that he and his sons should be hanged on the gallows.
 - 26. Wherefore they called these days Purim after the name of Pur. Therefore for all the words of this letter, and of that which they had seen concerning this matter, and

which had come unto them, 27. **The Jews ordained**, and took upon them, and upon their seed, and upon all such as joined themselves unto them, so as it should not fail.

that they would keep these two days according to their writing, and

according to their
appointed time every year;
28. And that these days

should be remembered

and kept throughout every generation, every family, every province, and every city; and that these days of Purim should not fail from among the Jews, nor the

memorial of them perish from their seed

■ 29. **Then Esther** the queen, the daughter of Abihail.

and Mordecai the Jew,
 wrote with all authority, to confirm this second letter of Purim.

■ 30. **And** he

sent the letters unto all

the Jews, to the hundred twenty and seven provinces of the kingdom of Ahasuerus,

with words of peace and truth,

31 To confirm these

■ | days of Purim

in their times appointed, according as Mordecai the Jew and Esther the queen had enjoined them, and as they had decreed for themselves and for their seed, the matters of the fastings and their cry. 32. And the decree of Esther confirmed these matters of Purim;

■ and it was written in

■ the book.

CHAPTER 10

And the king Ahasuerus laid a tribute upon the land, and upon the isles of the sea.

2. And all the acts of his power

■ **and** of his might, and the declaration of

the greatness of Mordecai, whereunto the king advanced him,

■ *are* they not

written in the book of the chronicles of the

kings of Media and Persia?

■ 3. For Mordecai the Jew

■ Was next unto king Ahasuerus, and

great among the Jews, and accepted of the multitude of his brethren,

seeking the wealth of his

people, and speaking

■ peace to all his seed.

JOB:

SUFFERING AND GOD'S ANSWER

Many Bible Scholars conclude that Job may be the oldest book in the Bible.

The book, of course. is named after its

protagonist. The content of the book, along with its artistic structure and elegant style, place it among the literary masterpieces of all time.

The book freats the problem of the suffering of the innocent.

Job. pious, upright, and prosperous, suddenly suffers a reversal of fortune. He

loses his

children, his

property, and his body is afflicted with a horrible, lifethreatening and extremely painful disease.

> Job did not complain against God.

Friends visited him ■ and he defended his personal

■ integrity and lamented ■ that he could not

understand why he had been so severely afflicted.

He cursed the day he was born and

cried out to die to end the suffering.

His friends chided him, and sought to prove to him that his plight could only be punishment for Wrong doing on his part. Job vehemently reiected théir claim

and asserted that

an answer

as to why he was suffering could only come

from God. Job and his friends debated back and fourth.

Finally God answered. He did not justify Himself nor what He had allowed to happen to Job.

He pointed to His omniscience and power. The answer satisfied Job.

He was now willing to humbly trust God in all things, even in the trauma of loss and severe pain.

He came to understand that man's finite mind could not fathom the works of God and that

man must trust in God's righteousness and justice.

Upon these realizations and **Job's submission** to God.

he was restored.

THE BOOK OF JOB

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- III. Job Receives the Wisdom of God 38:1 —41:34
- IV. Job Responds to God 42:1 — 6
- V. **The Restoration** of Job 42:7 17

- 1. There was a man in the land of Uz. whose name was
- Job: and that man
- was perfect and upriaht. **and** one that
- feared God, and eschewed evil.
- 2. And there were born unto him seven sons and
- three daughters.
- 3. His substance also
- was seven thousand sheep, and
- three thousand camels, and five hundred voke of oxen.
- and five hundred she
- asses, and a very great
- household: so that this man was the
- greatest of all the men
- of the east.
- 4. And his sons went and feasted in their houses.
- every one his day; and sent and called for
- their three sisters to eat and to drink with them.
 - 5. And it was so, when the days of their feasting were gone about, that
- Job sent and
- sanctified them, and rose up early in the morning,
- and offered burnt offerings according to the number of them all:
- for Job said, It may be that my sons have sinned, and cursed God in their hearts.
 - Thus did Job continually.
- 6. Now there was a day when the sons of God came to
- present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came
- also among them.
- 7. And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest
- thou? Then
- Satan answered the LORD, and
- said, From going to and fro
- in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.
- 8. And the LORD said unto Satan.
 - Hast thou considered my

- servant Job, that there is none like him in the earth.
 - a perfect and an upright
- man, one that feareth
 - God, and escheweth evil?
 - Then Satan answered. the LORD, and
- said. Doth Job fear God for nought?
- 10. Hast not thou made an
- hedge about him, and about his house, and about all that he hath on every side?
- thou hast blessed the work of his hands, and his substance is increased in the land.
- 11. But put forth thine hand now, and touch all that he hath, and
- he will curse thee to thy face.
- 12 And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold.
- all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself
- put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the
- presence of the LORD.
 - And there was a day when his sons and his daughters were eating and drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:
- 14. And there came a messenger unto Job, and
- said. The oxen were plowing, and the asses feeding beside them: 15. And
- the Sabeans fell upon them, and took them away; yea, they
- have slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.
- While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said,
- The fire of God is fallen
- from heaven, and hath burned up the sheep, and
- the servants, and consumed them; and I only am escaped
 - alone to tell thee. 17. While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said.
- The Chaldeans made out three bands, and
- fell upon the camels, and

have carried them away, yea, and slain the servants with the edge of the sword; and I only am escaped alone to lell thee.

18. While he was yet speaking, there came also another, and said,

■ Thy sons and thy

daughters were eating and

drinking wine in their eldest brother's house:

19. And, behold, there camea great wind

from the wilderness, and

smote the four corners of the house, and it fell

upon the young men,

and they are dead; and I only am escaped alone to tell thee.

20. Then Job grose, and rent his mantle, and

shaved his head, and

fell down upon the ground, and worshipped.

■ 21. And said, Naked

came I out of my mother's

womb, and naked

shall I return thither:

the LORD gave, and the

■ LORD hath taken away; ■ blessed be the name

of the LORD.

22. In all this Job sinned

■ | not, nor charged God foolishly.

CHAPTER 2

1. Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves

before the LORD, and

Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD.

2. And the LORD said unto

Satan, From whence

■ comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and

 said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it.

3. And the LORD said unto

Satan, Hast thou

considered my servant

Job, that *there is* none like him in the earth,

a perfect and an upright man, one that feareth

God, and escheweth evil? and still

he holdeth fast his integrity, although thou movedst me

to destroy him without cause.

■ 4. And Satan

answered the LORD, and sqid, Skin for skin, yea,

all that a man hath

will he give for his life.5. But put forth thine hand now, and

touch his bone and his flesh, and he will curse thee to thy face.

 6. And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold

Satan, Benold,

he *is* in thine hand;

but save his life.

Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and

smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot

from the sole of his loot unto his crown.

8. And he took him apotsherd to scrape

himself withal; and he sat down among the ashes.

9 Then said his wife

Then said his wife unto him, Dost thou still retain thine integrity?

curse God, and die.

10. But he said unto her,

Thou speakest as oneof the foolish women

speaketh. What?

shall we receive good at the hand of God, and

not receive evil? In all this did not Job sin with his lips.

11. Now when

Job's three friends heard of all this evil that was come upon him, they came every one from his own place;

■ Eliphaz the Temanite, and

■ Bildad the Shuhite,

and Zophar the Naamathite:

for they had

made an appointment

together to come

| to mourn with him

and to comfort him.

12. And when they

lifted up their eyes afar off, and knew him not, they

lifted up their voice, and

■ wept; and they

rent every one his mantle,

and sprinkled dust upon their heads toward heaven.

13. So they sat down

■ with him upon the ground

seven days and seven nights, and none spake a

word unto him: for they saw that *his* grief was very great.

CHAPTER 3

1. After this opened

Job his mouth, and cursed his day.

2. And Job spake,

and said.

■ 3. Let the day perish

wherein I was born, and the night in which it was said,

There is a man child conceived.

4. Let that day be darkness;

■ let not God

regard if from above, neither let the light shine upon it.

5. Let darkness and the shadow of death

stain it; let a cloud dwell upon it; let the blackness of the day terrify it.

6. As for that night, let darkness seize upon it;

let it not be joined unto the days of the year, let it not come into the number of the months.

7. Lo, let that night be solitary, let no joyful

solitary, let no joyful voice come therein.

 Let them curse it that curse the day, who are ready to raise up their mourning.

Let the stars of the twilight thereof be dark;

■ let it look for light, but have

none; neither let it see the dawning of the day:

■ 10. Because it shut ■ not up the doors of

my mother's womb,

nor hid sorrow from mine eyes.

11. Why died I not from the

womb? why did I not give up the ghost when I came out of the belly?

12. Why did the knees prevent me? or why the breasts that I should suck?

13. For now should I have lain still and been quiet, I should have slept: then had I been at rest,

 With kings and counsellors of the earth, which build desolate places for themselves;

15. Or with princes that had gold, who filled their houses with silver:

16. Or as an hidden untimely birth I had not been;

as infants which never saw light.

17. There the wicked cease from troubling; and there the weary be at rest.

■ 18. *There* the prisoners rest together:

■ they hear not the voice of

the oppressor.

19. The small and great are
 there; and the servant is
 free from his master.

20. Wherefore is

■ 20. Wherefor ■ light given to

him that is in misery,

and life unto the bitter *in* soul;
21. **Which long for death,** but it *cometh* not; and dig for it more

than for hid treasures; 22. Which rejoice exceedingly,

and are glad, when theycan find the grave?

23. Why is light given to

whom God hath

hedged in?

24. For my sighing cometh before I eat, and my roarings are poured out like the waters.

25. For the thing which I greatly feared is come
 upon me, and that which I was afraid of is come unto me.
 26. I was not in safety, neither had I rest, neither was I quiet;

vet trouble came.

- | 1. Then Eliphaz the Temanite answered and
- said.
 - 2. If we assay to commune with thee, wilt thou be arieved? but
- who can withhold himself from speaking?
 - 3. Behold.
- thou hast instructed
- **many**, and
- thou hast strengthened
- the weak hands.
 - 4. Thy words have upholden him that was falling.
- and thou hast strengthened
- the feeble knees
- 5. But now it is come upon thee, and thou faintest; it

toucheth thee, and thou art troubled. 6. Is not this thy fear, thy confidence,

- thy hope, and the uprightness of thy ways?
- 7. Remember, I pray thee,
- who ever perished, being innocent? or where were the righteous cut off?
 - 8. Even as I have seen,
- they that plow iniquity, and sow wickedness,
- reap the same.
- 9. By the blast of God

they perish, and by the breath of his nostrils are they consumed.

- 10. The roaring of the lion, and the voice of the fierce lion, and the teeth of the young lions, are broken.
- 11. The old lion perisheth for lack of prey, and the stout lion's whelps are scattered abroad.
- 12. Now a thing was secretly brought to me, and mine ear received a little thereof.
- 13. In thoughts from the visions of the night,
- when deep sleep falleth on men.
 - 14. Fear came upon me, and trembling, which made all my bones to shake.
 - 15. Then a spirit passed before my
 - I face; the hair of my flesh

stood up:

- 16. It stood still, but I could not discern the form thereof: an image was before mine eyes, there was silence, and
- I heard a voice, savina. 17. Shall mortal man be
- more just than God? shall a man be more pure than
 - his maker?
 - Behold, he out no trust in his. servants; and his angels he charged
 - 19. How much less in them that dwell in houses of clay, whose foundation is in the dust, which are crushed before the moth?
 - 20. They are destroyed from morning to evening: they perish for ever without any regarding it.
 - 21. Doth not their excellency which is in them go away?
- they die, even without ■ wisdom.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Call now, if there be
- any that
- will answer thee:
- and to which of the saints wilt thou turn?
 - 2. For wrath killeth the foolish man.
- and envy slayeth the silly one. 3. I have seen the foolish
- takina root: but suddenly I cursed his habitation.
 - 4. His children are
- far from safety.

and they are crushed in the gate,

- neither is there any to
- deliver them.
- 5. Whose harvest the
- hungry eateth up, and taketh it even out of the thorns.
- and the robber
- swalloweth up
- their substance.
- 6. Although affliction
- cometh not forth
 - of the
- dust, neither doth trouble
 - spring out of the ground;
 7. Yet man is born unto

- trouble, as the sparks fly upward.
- 8. I would seek unto God,
- and unto God would I
- | commit my cause:
- 9. Which doeth great things and unsearchable;
- marvellous things without number:
- 10. **Who** giveth rain upon the earth, and
- sendeth waters upon
- the fields:
- 11. To set up
- on high those that
- **be low;** that those which mourn may be exalted to safety.
- 12. He disappointeth the devices of
- the crafty, so that
- their hands cannot perform
 - 13. He taketh the wise in their own craftiness:
- and the counsel of the froward is carried
- headlong.
- 14. **They meet** with
- darkness in the day time,and grope in the noonday
- as in the night.
- 15. But he saveth the poor from the sword, from their mouth, and from the hand of the mighty.
- 16. So the poor hath hope, and iniquity stoppeth her mouth.
- and iniquity stoppeth her mouth 17. **Behold, happy** is
- the man whom God
- correcteth: therefore despise not thou the
- chastening of the Almighty:
 - 18. For
- he maketh sore, and
- bindeth up: he woundeth, and his hands make
 - whole.
- 19. He shall deliver thee in
- six troubles: yea,
- in seven there shall no evil touch thee.
- 20. In famine he shall
- redeem thee from death:
- and in war from the power

I of the sword.

- 21. Thou shalt be hid from the scourge of the tongue: neither shalt thou be afraid of destruction when it cometh.
- 22. At destruction and famine thou shalt laugh:

neither shalt thou be afraid of the beasts of the earth.

- 23. For thou shalt be in league with the stones of the field:
- and the beasts of the field shall be at peace with thee.
- 24. And thou shalt know that
- 1 24. And thou shall know that 1 thy tabernacle shall be in
- peace; and thou shalt visit thy habitation, and
- shalt not sin.
- 25. Thou shalt know also that
- thy seed shall be great, and thine offspring as the grass of the earth.
- 26. Thou shalt come to thy
- grave in a full age, like as a shock of corn cometh in in his season.

 27. Lo
 - this, we have searched it, so it is:
 - I hear it.
 - and know thou
- it for thy good.

- 1. But Job answered and
- said,
- 2. Oh that my grief were
- throughly weighed, and my calamity laid in the
- balances together!
 - 3. For now
- it would be heavier than the
- sand of the sea: therefore my words are swallowed up.
- 4. For the arrows of the
- Almighty are within me, the poison whereof drinketh up my spirit:
- the terrors of God do
- set themselves in array
- against me.
 - 5. Doth the wild ass bray when he hath grass? or loweth the ox over his fodder?

- 6. Can that which is unsavoury be eaten without salt? or is there any taste in the white of an egg?
- 7. The things that my soul refused to touch are as my sorrowful meat.
 - 8. Oh that I might have my request; and that God
- would arant me
 - the thing that I long for!
 - 9 Even

- that it would please
- God to destroy me; that he would let loose his hand, and
- cut me off!
 - 10. Then should I yet have comfort: vea.
- I would harden myself in sorrow: let him not spare: for I have not concealed the words
- of the Holy One.
 - 11. What is my strength, that I should hope? and
- what is mine end, that I should prolong my life?
 - 12. Is my strength the strength of stones? or is my flesh of brass? 13. Is not my help in me? and is
- wisdom driven quite from me? 14. To him that is afflicted pity should be shewed from his friend; but he forsaketh the fear of the Almighty.
- 15. My brethren have dealt deceiffully as a brook, and as the stream of
- brooks they pass away;
 - 16. Which are blackish by reason of the ice. and wherein the snow is hid: 17. What time they wax warm, they vanish: when it is hot, they are consumed out of their place.
- 18. The paths of their way are turned aside; they go to nothing, and perish.
 - 19. The troops of Tema looked, the companies of Sheba waited for them.
- 20. They were confounded because they had hoped:

they came thither, and were ashamed.

- 21. For now ye are nothing; ve see my casting down.
 - and are afraid.

- 22. Did I say, Bring unto me? or, Give a reward for me of your substance?
- 23. Or, Deliver me from the
- enemy's hand? or. Redeem me from the hand of the mighty?
- 24. Teach me, and I will
 - hold my tongue: and cause me to understand wherein I have erred.
- 25. How forcible are right words! but what doth
 - your arguing reprove? 26. Do ye imagine to
 - reprove words, and
- the speeches of one that
- is desperate, which are as wind?
 - 27. Yea, ve overwhelm the fatherless, and ye dig a pit for your friend.
- 28 Now therefore
 - be content, look upon me; for
- if is evident unto you
 - if I lie.
 - 29. Return, I pray you, let it not be iniquity; yea, return again, my righteousness is in it. 30. Is there iniquity in
- my tongue? cannot my taste discern perverse things?

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Is there not an appointed time to man upon earth? are not his days also like the days of an hirelina?
 - 2. As a servant earnestly desireth the shadow, and
- as an hireling looketh for the reward of his work:
 - 3. So am
 - I made to

- possess months of vanity, and wearisome nights
 - are appointed to me.
 - 4. When I lie down, I say. When shall I arise, and the night be gone? and
- I am full of tossings to and

- fro unto the dawning of the day.
- 5. My flesh is clothed with
- worms and clods of
- I dust: my skin is
- broken, and become
- l loathsome.

- 6. My days are swifter than a weaver's shuttle, and
- are spent without hope.
 - 7. O remember that
 - my life is wind: mine eye shall no more see good.
- The eye of him
 - that hath seen me

 - shall see me no more: thine eves are upon me,
- and I am not.
- 9. As the cloud is consumed and
- vanisheth away: so he
- that aoeth down
- to the grave shall
 - come up no more.
- 10. He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more.
- 11. Therefore I will not
- refrain my mouth;
- I will speak in the
- **anauish** of my spirit:
- I will complain in the **bitterness** of my soul.
- 12. Am I a sea, or a whale,
- that thou settest a watch
- over me?
 - 13. When I say, My bed shall comfort me, my couch shall ease my complaints;
 - 14. Then thou scarest me with dreams, and terrifiest me through visions:
- 15. So that my soul
- chooseth strangling, and П
- death rather than my life.
 - 16. I loathe it: I would not live alway: let me alone;
- for my days are vanity.
- 17. What is man, that thou
- shouldest magnify him? ■ and that thou shouldest
- set thine heart upon him?
- 18. And that thou shouldest ■ visit him every morning,

and try him every moment?

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- 19. How long wilt thou not depart from me, nor let me alone till I swallow down my spittle?
- 20. I have sinned: what
- shall I do unto thee.
- O thou preserver of men?
 - why hast thou set me as a mark against thee, so that I am a burden to myself? 21. And
 - why dost thou not
 - pardon my transgression, and take away my iniquity?
 - for now shall I sleep in the dust; and thou shalt seek me in the
 - morning, but I *shall* not be.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said,
- 2. How long wilt thou
- speak these things? and how long shall the words of thy mouth be like a strong wind?
- 3. Doth God pervert
- judgment? or doth the Almighty pervert justice?
- 4. If thy children have
- sinned against him, and he have cast them away

for their transgression;

- If thou wouldest seek unto God betimes, and make thy supplication to the Almighty;
- 6. If thou wert pure and upright; surely now
- he would awake for thee.
- and make the habitation
- of thy righteousness prosperous.
- 7. Though thy beginning
- was small, yet
- thy latter end should greatly
 - increase.
 - 8. For
- inquire, I pray thee,
- of the former age, and prepare thyself to the search of their fathers:
- 9. (For we are but of yesterday, and
- know nothing, because
- our days upon earth
- are a shadow:)

10. Shall not they teach thee, and tell thee, and utter words out of their heart?

11. Can the rush grow up without mire?

can the flag grow without water?

12. Whilst it is yet in his greenness, and not cut down, it withereth before any other herb.

■ 13. So are the paths of all that forget God; and

that forget God; and
 the hypocrite's hope
 shall perish:

14. Whose hope shall be cut off, and whose trust shall be a

spider's web.

15. He shall lean upon his

house, but it shall not stand: he shall hold it fast, but it shall not endure.

■ 16. He is green before

the sun, and his branch shooteth forth in his garden.

17. His roots are wrapped about the heap, and seeth the place of stones.

18. If he destroy him from his place, then *it* shall deny him, *saying*, I have not seen thee.

19. Behold, this *is* the joy of his way, and out of the earth shall others grow. 20. Behold.

God will not cast away a
 perfect man, neither will he
 help the evil doers:

21. Till he fill thy mouth with laughing, and thy lips with rejoicing.

and thy lips with rejoicing.

22. They that hate thee shall be clothed with shame:

and the dwelling place of
 the wicked shall come to

nought.

CHAPTER 9

1. Then Job answered and said.

■ 2. I know if is so of a truth:

but how should man be just with God?

3. If he will contend with him, he cannot answer him one of a thousand.

4. He is wise in heart, and mighty in

strength: who hath
 hardened himself against
 him. and hath

■ prospered?

5. Which removeth the mountains, and they know not: which overturneth them in his anger.

6. Which shaketh the earth out of her place, and the pillars thereof tremble.

7. Which commandeth the sun, and it riseth not; and sealeth up the stars.

8. Which alone spreadeth out the heavens, and treadeth upon the waves of the sea.
 9. Which maketh Arcturus

Orion, and Pleiades, and the chambers of the south.

■ 10. Which doeth great things past finding out; yea, and

wonders without number.
11. Lo, he goeth by me, and
I see him not: he passeth on also, but I perceive him not.

12. Behold, he taketh away, who can hinder him?

who will say unto him,
What doest thou?

13. If God will not withdraw his anger, the proud helpers do stoop under him.

How much less

shall I answer him, and choose out my words to reason with him?

15. Whom, though I were righteous, yet would I not answer, but I would make supplication to my judge.

16. If I had called, and he had answered me; yet would I not believe that he had hearkened unto my voice.

17. **For he** breaketh me with a tempest, and

multiplieth my wounds without cause.

He will not suffer me to take my breath, but

filleth me with bitterness.

19. If I speak of strength, lo, he is

strong: and if of judgment, who shall set me a time to plead?

20. If I justify myself, mine own mouth shall condemn me: if I say, I am perfect.

it shall also prove

me perverse.

> 21. Though I were perfect, vet would I not know my soul: I would despise my life.

22. This is one thing. therefore I said it.

He destroyeth the perfect and the wicked.

23. If the scourae slav suddenly, he will laugh at the trial of the innocent.

24. The earth is given into the hand of the wicked: he covereth the faces of the judges thereof: if not, where, and who is he? 25. Now

my days are swifter than a post: they

flee away, they see no good.

26. They are passed away as the swift ships: as the eagle that hasteth to the prey.

27. If I say, I will forget my complaint, I will leave off my heaviness, and

comfort myself:

28. I am afraid of all my sorrows. I know that

thou wilt not hold me

innocent.

29. If I be wicked, why then labour I in vain?

30. If I wash myself with snow water, and make my hands never

so clean:

31. Yet shalt thou plunge me in the ditch, and mine own clothes shall abhor me.

32. For *he is* not a man, as I am, that I should answer

him, and we should come together in judgment.

> 33. Neither is there any daysman betwixt us, that might lay his hand upon us both.

34. Let him take his rod away from me, and let not his fear terrify me:

■ 1 35. *Then* would I speak. and not fear him:

but it is not so with me.

CHAPTER 10

1. My soul is weary of my

life; I will leave my complaint upon myself; I will speak in the bitterness of mv soul.

2. I will say unto God, Do

not condemn me; shew me wherefore thou contendest with me

3. Is it good unto thee

that thou shouldest oppress, that thou shouldest

despise the work of thine hands, and shine upon

the counsel of the wicked?

4. Hast thou eyes of flesh? or seest thou as man seeth?

5. Are thy days as the days of man? are thy years as man's days,

6. That thou enquirest after mine iniquity, and searchest after my sin?

7 Thou knowest that I am not wicked: and there is none that can deliver out of thine hand.

8. Thine hands have made me and fashioned me

together round about:

vet thou dost destroy me.

Remember. I beseech thee. that thou hast made me as the clay; and wilt thou bring

me into dust again?

10. Hast thou not poured me out as milk, and curdled me like cheese?

11. Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh.

and hast fenced me with bones and sinews.

12. Thou hast granted

me life and favour,

and thy visitation hath preserved my spirit.

13. And these things hast thou hid in thine heart: I know that this is with thee.

14. If I sin, then thou markest me, and

thou wilt not acquit

me from mine iniquity.

- 15. If I be wicked, woe ■ unto me; and ■ if I be righteous, yet will I
- not lift up my head. I am full
 - of confusion; therefore see thou mine affliction;
 - 16. For it increaseth.
- Thou huntest me as
- a fierce lion; and again thou shewest thyself marvellous upon me.
- 17. Thou renewest thy witnesses against me, and increasest thine indignation upon me; changes and war are against me.
 - 18. Wherefore then hast thou brought me forth out of the womb? Oh that I had given up the ghost, and no eye had seen me!
 - 19. I should have been as though I had not been:
- I should have been
- carried from the womb
 - to the grave.
- 20. Are not my days few? cease then, and let me alone, that I
 - may take comfort a little,
 - 21. Before
- I go whence I shall not
- **return**, even
- to the land of darkness and the shadow of death:
 - 22. A land of darkness, as darkness itself, and of the shadow of death, without any order, and
- where the light
- is as darkness.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Then answered Zophar
 - the Naamathite, and said,
 - Should not the multitude of words be answered? and
- should a man full of talk be justified?
- 3. Should thy lies make men
- hold their peace? and when thou mockest, shall no man make thee ashamed?
- 4. For
- | thou hast said, My
- doctrine is pure, and I am
- | clean in thine eyes.
- 5. But oh that God would

- speak, and open his lips
- against thee;
 - 6. And that he would
- shew thee the secrets of wisdom, that they are
 - of wisdom, that they are double to that which is!
- Know therefore
- that God exacteth of thee
- less than thine iniquity deserveth.
- 7. Canst thou by searching
 - find out God? canst thou find out the Almighty unto perfection?
 - 8. It is as high as heaven; what canst thou do? deeper than hell; what canst thou know?
 - 9. The measure thereof *is* longer than the earth, and broader than the sea.
 - 10. **If he cut off, and shut up**, or gather together, then
 - who can hinder him?
 - 11. For

- he knoweth vain men: he seeth wickedness also; will
 - he not then consider it?
 - 12. For vain men would be wise, though man be born *like* a wild ass's colt.
 - 13. If thou prepare thine heart, and stretch out thine hands toward him;
- 14. If iniquity *be* in thine hand, put it far away, and
- let not wickedness dwell in thy tabernacles.
 - 15. For
- then shalt thou lift up
 thy face without spot:
 - vea. thou
- shalt be stedfast, and shalt not fear:
 - 16. Because thou shalt forget *thy* misery, *and* remember *it* as waters *that* pass away:
 - 17. And *thine* age shall be clearer than the noonday:
- thou shalt shine forth, thou shalt be as the morning.
 - 18. And
- thou shalt be secure.
 - because there is hope; yea, thou shalt dig about thee, and thou
 - shalt take thy rest in safety.
 - 19. Also thou shalt lie

- down, and none shall make thee afraid: yea, many shall make suit unto thee. ■ 20. But the eves of the
- wicked shall fail. and they shall not escape.
- and their hope shall be as ■ the giving up of the ghost.

- 1. And Job answered and said.
- 2. No doubt but ve are the people, and
- wisdom shall die with you ■ 3. But I have understanding
- as well as you: I am not
- inferior to you: yea, who knoweth not such things as these?
- 4 I am as one
- mocked of his neighbour.
- who calleth upon
- God, and he answereth

him: the just upright man is laughed to scorn.

- 5. He that is ready to slip with his feet is as a lamp despised in the thought of him that is at ease.
- 6. The tabernacies of robbers prosper, and
- they that provoke God
- are secure; into whose hand God bringeth abundantly.
- 7. But ask now
- the beasts, and they shall teach thee; and the fowls of

the air, and they shall

tell thee:

8. Or speak to

the earth, and it

shall teach thee: and

■ I the fishes of the sea

shall declare unto thee.

Who knoweth not in all these ■ I that the hand of

■ I the LORD hath wrought this?

10. **In whose hand** *is* **the** ■ | soul of every living thing,

■ and the breath of all mankind.

> 11. Doth not the ear try words? and the mouth taste his meat?

12. With the ancient is wisdom; and in | | 1. Lo, mine eye hath seen

length of days understanding.

- 13. With him is wisdom and strength, he hath
- counsel and
 - understandina.

14. Behold,

- he breaketh down, and it cannot be built again: he
- shutteth up a man, and

there can be no opening. 15. Behold.

he withholdeth the waters. and they dry up: also he

sendeth them out, and they overturn the earth.

16. With him is strength and wisdom: the deceived and the deceiver are his.

17. He leadeth counsellors

QWQV spoiled.

and maketh the iudaes fools.

- 18. He looseth the bond of kings, and girdeth their loins with a girdle.
- 19. **He** leadeth princes away spoiled, and

overthroweth the mighty.

20. He removeth away the speech of the trusty, and taketh away the understanding of the aged.

21. He poureth contempt upon princes, and

weakeneth the strength of the mighty.

22. **He** discovereth deep things out of darkness, and

bringeth out to light the shaďow of death.

23. He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them; he enlargeth the nations, and straiteneth them again.

24. He taketh away the heart of the chief of the

people of the earth,

and causeth them to wander in a wilderness

where there is no way.

25. They grope in the dark without light, and he maketh them to stagger like a drunken man.

all this, mine ear hath heard and understood it.

- 2. What ve know, the same do
- I know álso: I am not
 - inferior unto you.
 - 3. Surely I would speak to the Almighty, and
- I desire to reason with God
- 4. But ye are forgers of lies, ye are all physicians of no value.
- 5. O that ye would altogether
- hold your peace! and itshould be your wisdom.
 - 6. **Hear** now
- my reasoning, and
- hearken to the
 - pleadings of my lips.
 7. Will ye speak wickedly
- for God? and talk deceitfully for him?
- 8. Will ye accept
 - his person? will ye contend for

■ God?

- 9. Is it good that he should search you out? or as one man mocketh another,
- do ye so
- mock him?
- 10. He will surely reprove
- **you**, if ye do secretly accept persons.
 - 11. Shall not his excellency make you afraid? and his dread fall upon you?
- 12. Your remembrances
- are like unto
- **ashes**, your bodies to bodies of clay.
- 13. Hold your peace,
- let me alone, that I may speak, and
- let come on me what will.
 - 14. Wherefore do I take my flesh in my teeth, and put my life in mine hand?
- 15. Though he slay me, yet will I trust in him: but I will
 - maintain mine own ways before him.
- 16. **He** also
- shall be my salvation: for an hypocrite shall not come before him.
 - 17. **Hear** diligently
- my speech, and my declaration

with your ears.

18. Behold now, I have ordered my

■ I know that I shall ■ be justified.

- 19. Who is he that will plead with me? for now,
- if I hold my tongue, I shall give up the ghost.
- 20. Only do not two things
- unto me: then will I not hide myself from thee.
- 21. Withdraw thine hand far
- from me: and let not thy dread
 make me afraid
- 22. Then call thou.
 - and I will answer: or let me speak, and answer thou me.
 - 23. How many are mine iniquities and
 - sins? make me to know my transgression and
 - my sin.
 - 24. Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and holdest me for thine enemy?
 - 25. Wilt thou break a leaf driven to and fro? and wilt thou pursue the dry stubble?
 - 26. For
- thou writest bitter things
 against me, and makest
 me to possess the
- iniquities of my youth.
- 27. **Thou** puttest my feet also in the stocks, and
- lookest narrowly unto
 - all my paths; thou settest a print upon the heels of my feet.
- 28. **And he**, as a rotten thing,
- **consumeth**, as a garment that is moth eaten.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. Man that is born of a
 woman is of few days and
 full of trouble.
- 2. He cometh forth like aflower, and is cut down:

he fleeth also as a shadow, and continueth not.

3. And doth thou open thine eyes upon such an one, and bringest me into judgment with thee?

- 4. Who can bring a clean thing out of an unclean? not one
 - 5. Seeina
- his days are determined. the number of his months are with thee.
- | thou hast appointed his
- **bounds** that he cannot pass; 6. Turn from him, that he may rest, till he shall accomplish, as an hireling, his day.
 - 7. For
- there is hope of a tree, if it be cut down that
- it will sprout again, and that the tender branch thereof will not cease.
- 8. Though the root thereof wax old in the earth, and ■ I the stock thereof
- die in the around:
- 9. Yet through the scent of water it will bud, and bring forth boughs like a plant.
- 10. But man dieth, and wasteth away: yea, man giveth up the ghost, and where is he?
- 11. As the waters fail from the sea, and the flood decayeth and drieth up:
- 12. So man lieth down, and riseth not: till the heavens be no more, they
- shall not awake, nor
- be raised out of their sleep.
- 1 13. O that thou wouldest ■ hide me in the grave, that
- thou wouldest keep me
- secref, until thy wrath be past, that thou wouldest
- appoint me a set time. ■ and remember me!
- 14. If a man die, shall he live again? all the days of my appointed time
- will I wait, till my change come.
- 15. Thou shalf call, and 1 ■ | will answer thee: thou wilt have a desire to the work of thine hands.
- 16. For now thou numberest my steps: dost thou not watch over my sin?

- 17. My transgression is
- sealed up in a bag.
- and thou sewest up mine iniquity.
- 18 And
- surely the mountain
- falling cometh to nought, and the rock is removed out of his place.
- 19 The waters wear
- the stones: thou washest away the things which grow out of the dust of the earth;
- and thou destroyest
- the hope of man.
- 20. Thou prevailest for ever
- against him, and he
- passeth: thou

changest his countenance, and sendest him away.

- 21. His sons come to
- honour, and he knoweth it not:
- and they are brought low, but he perceiveth
- it not of them.
 - 22. But his flesh upon him shall have pain, and his soul within him shall mourn.

- 1. Then answered
- Eliphaz the Temanite, and said.
- 2. Should a wise man uffer
 - vain knowledge, and fill his belly with the east wind?
 - 3. Should he
 - reason with unprofitable
- talk? or with speeches wherewith he can do no good?
 - 4. Yea.
- thou castest off fear.
- and restrainest prayer
 - before God.
- 5. For thy mouth uttereth thine
- iniquity, and thou choosest the tongue of the crafty.
- 6. Thine own mouth
- condemneth thee, and not I: yea, thine own lips testify against thee.
- 7. Art thou the first man that
- was born? or wast thou made

before the hills?

8. Hast thou heard the secret of God?

and dost thou restrain wisdom to thyself?

9. What knowest thou, that

we know not?

what understandest thou. which is not in us?

10. With us are both the grayheaded and very aged men, much elder than thy father.

11. Are the consolations

of God small with thee?

is there any secret thing with thee?

12. Why doth thine heart carry thee away?

and what do thy eyes wink at.

13. That thou turnest thy spirit against God, and lettest such words go out of thy

mouth?

14. What is man, that he should be clean? and he which is born of a woman, that he should be righteous? 15. Behold,

he putteth no trust in his saints: vea.

the heavens are not clean in his sight.

16. How much more abominable and

filthy is man, which drinketh iniquity like water?

17. I will shew thee.

hear me; and that which I have seen I will declare:

18. Which wise men have told from their fathers.

and have not hid it.

19. Unto whom alone the earth was given, and no stranger passed among them.

20. The wicked man travaileth with pain

all his days, and the number of years is hidden to the oppressor.

21. A dreadful sound is in his ears:

in prosperity the destroyer ■ shall come upon him.

22. He believeth not that

■ I he shall return out of

■ darkness, and he is waited

for of the sword.

23. He wandereth abroad for bread. savina. Where is it?

he knoweth that the day of darkness is ready at his hand.

24. **Trouble** and anguish shall make him afraid: they shall prevail against him, as a king ready to the battle.

25. For he stretcheth out his hand against God. and strengtheneth himself against the Almighty.

26. He runneth upon him, even on his neck, upon the thick bosses of his bucklers:

27 Because

he covereth his face with his fatness, and maketh collops of fat on his flanks.

28. And he dwelleth in desolate cities, and in

houses which no man inhabiteth,

which are ready to become heaps.

29. He shall not be rich, neither shall his substance continue

neither shall he prolong the perfection thereof upon the earth. 30. He shall not depart out

of darkness: the flame shall dry up his branches.

and by the breath of his mouth shall he

go away. 31. Let not him that is

deceived trust in vanity: for vanity shall be his

recompence.

32. It shall be

accomplished before

his time, and his branch shall not be green.

33. He shall shake off his unripe grape as the vine, and shall cast off his flower as the olive.

34. For the congregation of hypocrites shall be

desolate, and fire shall consume the tabernacles of bribery.

- 35. They conceive mischief,
 and bring forth vanity, and their belly prepareth
- deceit.

- 1. Then Job answered and said.
 - 2. I have heard many such things:
- miserable comforters are ye all
- 3. Shall vain words
- have an end? or what emboldeneth thee that thou answerest?
- 4. I also
- could speak as ye do: if
- your soul were in my soul's
 stead, I could heap up
 words against you, and
- shake mine head at you.
- 5. But I would strengthen you with my mouth, and
- the moving of my lips should assuage your *grief*.
 - 6. Though I speak, my grief is not assuaged: and *though* I forbear, what am I eased?
- 7. **But** now he hath made me weary: thou hast made desolate
- all my company.
- 8. And thou hast
- filled me with wrinkles, which is a witness
- against me: and my leanness rising up in me beareth witness to my face.
- 9 He teareth *me* in his
- wrath, who hateth me:
- he gnasheth upon
- me with his teeth; mine enemy sharpeneth his eyes upon me.
 - They have gaped upon me with their mouth; they have smitten me upon the cheek reproachfully;
- they have gathered
- themselves together against me.
- 11. God hath delivered me to the ungodly, and
- turned me over into the
- hands of the wicked.
 - 12. I was at ease, but he

- I hath broken me asunder:
 - he hath also taken *me* by my neck, and shaken me to pieces,
- and set me up for his mark
- 13. His archers compass
 - me round about, he cleaveth my reins asunder,
- and doth not spare; he
 poureth out my gall
 upon the ground.
 - 14. He breaketh me with breach upon breach, he runneth upon me like a giant.
- 15. I have sewed sackcloth upon my skin, and defiled my
 - horn in the dust.
- 16. My face is foul with weeping, and on my eyelids is the shadow of death:
- 17. Not for any injustice in
- mine hands: also my prayer is pure.
 - 18. O earth, cover not thou my blood, and let my cry have no place.

 19. Also now, behold.
- my witness *is* in heaven,
- and my record is on high.
- 20. My friends scorn me: but mine eye poureth out
- *fears* unto God.
- 21. O that one might plead for a man with God, as a
- man *pleadeth* for his neighbour!
 - 22. When a few years are come, then I shall go the way whence I shall not return.

- 1. My breath is corrupt, my days are extinct,
- the graves are ready for me
 - 2. Are there not mockers with me? and doth not mine eye continue in their provocation?
 - 3. Lay down now, put me in a surety with thee; who *is* he *that* will strike hands with me?
 - 4. For thou hast hid their heart from understanding: therefore shalt thou not exalt them.
 - He that speaketh flattery to his

friends, even the eyes of his children chall fail

- 6 He hath made me also a byword of the people; and aforetime I was as a tabret.
 - 7 Mine eve also
- is dim by reason of sorrow, and all my members are as a shadow.
- 8. Upriaht men shall
- be astonied at this.
- and the innocent
- shall stir up himself
- against the hypocrite
- 9. The righteous also shall hold on his way, and he that hath clean hands
- shall be stronger and stronger.
- 10. But as for you all, do ye return, and come now; for

I cannot find one wise man among you.

- 11. My days are past, my purposes are broken off, even the thoughts of my heart.
- 12. They change the night into day: the light is short because of darkness. 13. If I wait, the grave is mine house: I
- have made my bed in the darkness.
- 14. I have said to
- corruption, Thou art my
- father: to the worm, Thou art my mother, and my sister. 15. And
- where is now
- my hope? as for my hope.

who shall see it?

16. They shall go down to the bars of the pit, when our rest together is in the dust.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. Then answered
- Bildad the Shuhite, and
 - said.
- 2. How long will it be ere ve make an end of words?

mark, and afterwards we will speak.

- 3. Wherefore are we counted as beasts, and
- reputed vile in your sight?
- 4. He teareth himself
 - in his anger: shall the earth be forsaken for thee? and shall the rock

be removed out of his place?

- 5. Yea, the light of the
- wicked shall be put out, and the spark of his fire shall not shine.
 - 6. The light shall be dark in his tabernacle, and his candle shall be put out with him.
 - 7. The steps of his strength shall be straitened, and his own counsel shall cast him down.
 - For he is cast into a net. by his own feet, and he walketh upon a snare.
 - 9. The gin shall take him by the heel, and the robber shall prevail against him
- 10. The snare is laid for him in the ground, and a trap for him in the way.
- 11. Terrors shall make him afraid on every side, and shall drive him to his feet. 12. His strength shall be hungerbitten, and
- destruction shall be ready at his side.
- 13 It shall devour the strength of his skin: even the firstborn of death shall
- devour his strenath. 14 His confidence shall be
 - rooted out of his tabernacle, and it shall bring him to the king of terrors. It shall dwell in his tabernacle. because it is none of his: brimstone shall be scattered upon his habitation
- 16 His roots shall be dried up beneath.
- and above shall
- his branch be
- cut off
- 17. His remembrance

shall perish from the earth, and he shall have no name in the street.

- 18. He shall be driven from light into darkness, and
- chased out of the world.
- 19. He shall neither have son nor nephew
 - among his people, nor any
 - remaining in his dwellings.
 - 20. They that come after him shall be

astonied at his day, as they that went before were affrighted.

- 21. Surely such are the dwellings of the wicked, and
- this is the place of him that knoweth not God

CHAPTER 19

- 1. Then Job answered and said,
- 2. How long will ye vex my soul, and break me in pieces
- with words?

3. These

- ten times have ye reproached me: ye
- **are not ashamed** that ye make yourselves strange to me.
- 4. And be it indeed that I have erred, mine error

remaineth with myself.

- If indeed ye will magnify yourselves against me, and plead against me my reproach:
- 6. Know now that God hath overthrown me, and hath compassed me with his net.
 7. Behold.
- I cry out of wrong, but I am
 not heard: I cry aloud, but
 there is no judgment.
 - He hath fenced up my way that I cannot pass, and he hath set darkness in my paths.
- 9. He hath stripped me of my glory, and taken the crown from my head.
- on every side, and I am gone:
- and mine hope hath he removed like a tree.

■ 11. He hath also

- kindled his wrath against me, and he
- Counteth me unto him
- as *one* of his enemies.
- 12. **His troops** come together, and raise up their way against me, and
- encamp round aboutmy tabernacle.
 - 13. He hath put
 - my brethren far from me,

- and mine acquaintance are verily
- estranged from me.
- 14. My kinsfolk have failed, and my familiar
- friends have forgotten me.
 - 15. They that dwell in mine house, and
- my maids, count me for a stranger: I am an alien in their sight.
- 16. I called my servant, and he gave me no answer:

entreated him with my mouth.

- 17. My breath is strange
- to my wife, though I entreated for the children's sake of mine own body. 18. Yea,
- young children
- despised me; I arose, and they spake against me.
- 19. **All my** inward
- friends abhorred me:

and they whom I loved are turned against me.

- My bone cleaveth to my skin and to my flesh, and
- I am escaped with the skin of my teeth.
- 21. Have pity upon me, have pity upon me, O ye my friends;
- for the hand of God hath touched me.
- 22. Why do ye persecute me as God, and are not satisfied with my flesh?
- 23. Oh that my words were now written! oh that they
 - were printed in a book!
 - 24. That they were graven with an iron pen and lead in the rock for ever!
- 25. For I know that my
- redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter
- day upon the earth:
- 26. And though after my skin worms destroy this
- body, yet in my flesh
- shall I see God:
- 27. **Whom** I shall see for myself, and
- mine eyes shall behold,
- and not another; though my

reins be consumed within me. 28. But ye should say, Why persecute we him, seeing the root of the matter is found in me?

29. Be ve afraid of the sword: for

■ wrath *bringeth* the

punishments of the sword.

that ve may know there is a ■ judgment.

CHAPTER 20

1. Then answered

Zophar the Naamathite, and said.

- 2. Therefore do my thoughts cause me to answer, and for this I make haste.
- I have heard the check of my reproach, and

the spirit of my

understanding causeth

me to answer.

4 Knowest thou not this of old, since man was placed upon earth,

That the triumphing of the wicked is short, and the joy of the hypocrite but for a moment?

6. Though his excellency mount up to the heavens, and his

head reach unto

the clouds:

7. Yet he shall perish for ever like his own dung: they which have seen him shall say, Where is he?

8 He shall fly away as a dream, and shall not be found: yea, he shall be chased away as a vision of the night.

9. The eye also

which saw him shall see him no more; neither shall his place any more behold him.

10. His children shall seek to please the poor, and his hands shall restore their goods.

11. His bones are full of the sin of his youth, which shall lie down with him in the dust

12. Though wickedness be sweet in his mouth, though he hide it under his tonque:

13. Though he spare it,

and forsake it not: but

keep it still within his mouth:

14. Yet his meat in

his bowels is turned, it is the gall of asps

within him.

15. He hath swallowed down

riches, and he shall vomil them up again:

God shall cast them

out of his belly.

16. He shall suck the poison of asps:

the viper's tongue shall slav him.

17. He shall not see

the rivers, the floods, the brooks

of honey and butter.

18. That which he laboured for shall he restore.

and shall not swallow it down:

according to his substance shall the restitution be and he shall not rejoice therein.

19. **Because** he hath oppressed and hath forsaken the poor; because

he hath violently

taken away an house which he builded not:

> 20. Surely he shall not feel quietness in his belly, he shall not save of that which he desired.

21. There shall none of his meat be left: therefore shall no man look for his goods.

22. In the fulness of his sufficiency he shall be in straits:

every hand of the wicked shall come upon him.

23. When he is about to fill his belly.

God shall cast the fury of his wrath upon him, and shall rain it upon him while he is eating.

24. He shall flee from the iron weapon, and

the bow of steel shall strike him through.

25. It is drawn, and cometh out of the body; yea.

the glittering sword cometh out of his gall:

terrors are upon him.

26. All darkness shall be hid in his

secret places: a fire not blown shall consume him: it shall go ill with him that is left in his tabernacle.

27. The heaven shall reveal his iniquity; and the earth shall

rise up against him.

- 28. The increase of his house shall depart, and his goods shall flow away in the day of his
- 29. This is the portion of a wicked man from God. and the heritage appointed unto him by God.

CHAPTER 21

- I 1. But Job answered and
- said.
- 2. Hear diligently my speech, and let this be your consolations.
 - Suffer me that I may speak:
- and after that
- I have spoken, mock on.
 - 4. As for me,
- is my complaint to man?
- and if it were
- so, why should not my spirit be troubled?
- 5. Mark me, and be astonished, and lay your hand upon your mouth.
- 6 Éven when l'remember I am afraid.
- and trembling taketh hold on my flesh.
- 7. Wherefore do the
- wicked live, become old,
- yea, are mighty in power?
- 8. Their seed is established in their sight with them, and their offspring before their eyes.
- 9. Their houses are safe from fear, neither is the rod of God upon them.
- 10. Their bull gendereth, and faileth not:
- their cow calveth, and casteth not her calf.
 - 11. They send forth their little ones like a flock.
- and their children dance.
 - 12. They take the timbrel and harp, and rejoice at the

- sound of the organ.
- 13. They spend fheir days in wealth, and in a
 - moment go down to the grave.
- 14. Therefore they say unto God. Depart from us: for
- we desire not the
- knowledge of thy ways.
- 15. What is the Almighty, that we should serve him?
- and what profit should we have, if we pray unto him?
 - 16. Lo, their good is not in their hand: the counsel of the
- wicked is far from me.
- 17. How off is the candle of
 - the wicked put out! and
 - cometh their destruction upon them! God distributeth
 - sorrows in his anger.
- 18. They are as stubble
 - before the wind, and as chaff that the storm carrieth away.
- 19. God layeth up his iniquity for his children: he
- rewardeth him, and he shall know it.
 - 20. His eyes shall see his destruction, and
- he shall drink of the wrath of the Almiahty.
- 21. For
- what pleasure *hath* he
- in his house after him,
- when the number of his months is cut off in the midst?
- 22. Shall any teach God
- knowledge? seeing he judgeth those that are high.
- 23. One dieth in his
- full strength, being wholly at ease and quiet.
- 24. His breasts are full of milk,
- and his bones are
- moistened with marrow.
- 25 And another dieth in the bitterness of his soul,
- and never eateth
- with pleasure.
- 26. They shall lie down
 - alike in the dust.
 - and the worms shall cover them.

- 27. Behold, I know your thoughts, and
- the devices which ye wrongfully imagine against me
 - 28. For ye say, Where is the house of the prince? and
- where are the dwellingplaces of the wicked?
 - 29. Have ye not asked them that go by the way? and do ye not know their tokens.
- 30. That the wicked is reserved to the day of destruction? they shall be brought forth to the day of wrath.
 - 31. Who shall declare his way to his face? and
- who shall repay him what he hath done?
- 32. Yet shall he be brought to the grave, and shall
 remain in the tomb.
 - 33. The clods of the valley shall be sweet unto him, and every man shall draw after him, as *there are* innumerable before him.
- 34. How then comfort ye me in vain.
- seeing in your answers there remaineth
- falsehood?

CHAPTER 22

- | 1. Then Eliphaz
- the Temanile answered and
- said
- 2. Can a man be profitable unto God, as he that is wise may be profitable unto himself?
- 3. Is it any pleasure tothe Almighty, that thou
- art righteous? or is it gain to him, that thou makest thy ways perfect?
- 4. Will he reprove thee for fear of thee? will he enter with thee into judgment?
- 5. Is not thy wickedness great? and thine iniquities infinite?
 - 6. For thou hast taken a pledge from thy brother for nought, and
 - I stripped the naked

- of their clothing.
- 7. Thou hast not given water
 to the weary to drink.
 - and thou hast withholden bread from the hungry.
 - 8. But as for the mighty man, he had the earth; and the honourable man dwelt in it.
- 9. Thou hast sent widows

 away empty, and the arms of the
 - **away empty**, and the arms of the fatherless have been broken.
 - 10. **Therefore** snares are round about thee, and

sudden fear troubleth thee;

- 11. Or darkness, that thou canst not see; and abundance of waters cover thee.
- 12. Is not God in the height of heaven? and behold the height of the stars, how high they are!
 - 13. And thou sayest, How doth God know?
 - can he judge through the dark cloud?
- 14. Thick clouds are a covering to him, that he seeth not; and he walketh in the circuit of heaven.
- 15. Hast thou marked the old way which wicked men have trodden?
 - 16. Which were cut down out of time, whose foundation was overflown with a flood:
- 17. Which said unto God,
 Depart from us: and
 what can the Almighty
 do for them?
- 18. Yet he filled their houses with good things: but the counsel of the wicked is far from me.
- 19. The righteous see it, and are glad; and the
- innocent laugh them to scorn.
- is not cut down, but the remnant of them the fire consumeth.
- 21. Acquaint now thyself with him, and be at peace:
- thereby good shallcome unto thee.
- 22. **Receive**, I pray thee,
 - the law from his mouth, and

- lay up his words in thine
- heart
- 23. If thou return to the Almighty, thou shalt
- be built up, thou shalt put away iniquity far from thy tabernacles.
- 24. Then shalt thou lay up gold as dust, and the gold of Ophir as the stones of the brooks.
- 25. Yea, the Almighty shall
- be thy defence, and thou shalt have plenty of silver.
- 26. For then shalt thou have thy delight in the Almighty,
- and shalt lift up thy face unto God.
- 27. Thou shalt make thy
- prayer unto him,
- and he shall hear thee, and thou shalt pay thy yows.
- 28. Thou shalt also decree a thing, and it shall be
- established unto thee: and the light shall shine upon thy ways. 29. When men are cast
- **down**, then thou shalt say.
- There is lifting up; and he shall save the humble person.
- 30. He shall deliver the
- island of the innocent; and it is delivered by the pureness of thine hands.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. Then Job answered and
- said.
- 2. Even to-day is my
- complaint bitter: my stroke is heavier than my groaning.
- 3. Oh that I knew where I might find him! that I might come even to his seat!
- 4. I would order my cause before him, and
- fill my mouth with
- arauments.
- 5. I would know the words which he would answer me, and
- understand what he would say unto me.
 - 6. Will he plead against me with his great power? No; but
- he would put

- strenath in me.
- 7. There the righteous might dispute with him; so should I be delivered for ever from my judge.
 - 8. Behold.
- I ao forward, but he is not there;
- and backward, but I cannot perceive him:
- 9. On the left hand, where he doth work
- but I cannot behold
 - him: he hideth himself on the right hand.
 - that I cannot see him:
- 10. But he knoweth the way that I take:
- when he hath tried me, I shall come forth as gold.
- 11. My foot hath held his steps,
- his way have I kept.
 - and not declined
 - 12. Neither have I gone back from the commandment of his lips:
- I have esteemed the words of his mouth more than my
- necessary food.
- 13. But he is in one mind. and who can turn him?

and what his soul desireth. even that he doeth.

- 14. For he performeth
 - the thing that is appointed
- for me: and many such things are with him.
 - 15. Therefore am I troubled at his presence: when I consider.
- I am afraid of him.
- 16. For God maketh my
- heart soft, and the Almighty troubleth me:
- 17. Because I was
- not cut off before the darkness.
 - neither hath he covered the
- darkness from my face.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. Why, seeing times are not hidden from the Almighty,
- do they that know him
- not see his days?
- Some remove the landmarks; they violently
- take away flocks.

I and feed thereof.

- 3. They drive away the ass of the fatherless,
- they take the widow's
- OX for a pledge.
- 1 4 They turn the needy
- out of the way: the poor of the earth hide themselves together.
 - 5. Behold,
- as wild asses in the desert,go they forth to their work;

rising betimes for a prey: the wilderness *yieldeth* food for them *and* for *their* children.

- 6. **They reap** every one his corn in the field:
- and they gather thevintage of the wicked.
- 7. They cause the naked to lodge without clothing, that they
- have no covering
- in the cold.
 - They are wet with the showers of the mountains,
 - and embrace the
- rock for want of
- a shelter.
- 9. They pluck the fatherless from the breast, and take a pledge of the poor.
- 10. They cause him to go naked without clothing.
- and they take away the sheaf

from the hungry;

- 11. Which make oil within their walls, and tread their wine presses, and suffer thirst.
 - 12. Men groan from out of the city, and the soul of the wounded crieth out:
- yet God layeth not folly to them.
- 13. They are of those that rebel against the light; they
- know not the ways thereof,
- paths thereof.
- 14. **The murderer** rising with the light
- killeth the poor and needy, and in the night is as a thief.
 - 15. The eye also of
 - the adulterer waiteth for the

- twilight, saying, No eye shall see me:
- and disguiseth his face.

 16. In the dark they dig
- through houses, which they
- had marked for themselves in the daytime: they know
 - not the light.
- 17. For the morning is to them even
- as the shadow of death: if one know them, they are in the terrors of the shadow of death
 - 18. He is swift as the waters;
- their portion is cursed in the earth: he beholdeth not the way of the vinevards.
 - 19. Drought and heat consume the snow waters: *so doth* the grave *those which* have sinned.
 - 20. The womb shall forget him;
- the worm shall feed
- sweetly on him; he shall be no more remembered; and

wickedness shall be broken as a tree.

- 21. **He** evil entreateth the barren that beareth not: and
- doeth not good to

- 22. He draweth also the mighty with his power:
- he riseth up, and no■ man is sure of life.
- 23. **Though** it be given him to be in safety, whereon
- he resteth; yet his eyes are upon their ways
- 24. They are exalted for a
- Iittle while, but are gone and brought low; they are taken out of the way as all other, and
- cut off as the tops of the ears of corn.

 25. And if it be not so now.
- who will make me a liar, and make my speech nothing worth?

CHAPTER 25

- 1. Then answered Bildad the Shuhite, and said.
- 2. Dominion and fearare with him, he maketh
- peace in his high places.
 - 3. Is there any number of his armies?

and upon whom doth not his light arise?

- 4. **How** then
- can man be justified
 - with God? or
- how can he be
- clean that is born
- of a woman?
- 5. Behold even to the moon. and it shineth not; yea,
- the stars are not ■ pure in his sight.
- 6. How much less man.
- that is a worm? and the son of man, which is a worm?

CHAPTER 26

- I 1. But Job answered and said.
 - 2. How hast thou
 - helped him that is without power? how savest thou the arm
- that hath no strenath?
- 3. How hast thou
- counselled him that hath
 - no wisdom? and how hast thou plentifully declared the thing as it is?
 - 4. To whom hast thou uttered words? and whose spirit came from thee?
 - 5. Dead things are formed from under the waters, and the inhabitants thereof
- 6. Hell is naked before him. and destruction hath no covering.
- 7. He stretcheth out the
- north over the empty
- place, and hangeth the earth upon nothing.
- 8. He bindeth up the waters in his thick clouds; and the
- cloud is not rent under them.
- 9. He holdeth back the face of his throne, and

spreadeth his cloud upon it.

- He hath compassed the waters with bounds, until the day and night come to an end.
- 11. The pillars of heaven ■ I tremble and are
 - astonished at his reproof.
- 12. He divideth the sea with
 - his power, and by his understanding he smiteth through the proud.

- 13. By his spirit he hath garnished the heavens:
 - his hand hath formed the crooked serpent
- 14. Lo. these are parts of
- his ways: but how little a
- portion is heard of him?
- **but** the thunder of
- his power who
 - can understand?

CHAPTER 27

- 1. Moreover Job
- continued his parable, and said.
- 2. As God liveth, who hath taken away my judament:

and the Almighty, who hath vexed my soul:

- 3. All the while my breath is in me, and
- the spirit of God is in my nostrils;
- 4. My lips shall not
- speak wickedness nor my tonque utter deceit.
- 5. God forbid that I should justify you:
- till I die I will not remove
- mine integrity from me. 6. My righteousness I hold
 - fast, and will not let it go; my heart shall not reproach me so long as I live.
- 7. Let mine enemy be as
- the wicked, and he that riseth up against me as the unrighteous.
- 8. For what is the hope of
- the hypocrite, though he hath gained,
- when God taketh
- away his soul? 9. Will God hear his cry
- when trouble cometh upon him?
- 10. Will he delight himself in the Almighty?
- will he always call upon God?
 - I will teach you by the hand of God: that which is with the Almighty will I not conceal.
 - 12. Behold.
- all ye yourselves have
- seen it: why then are ye
 - thus altogether vain?

- 13. This is the portion of a wicked man with God, and the heritage of oppressors, which they shall receive of the Almighty.
- 14. If his children be multiplied, it is for the
 - **sword**: and his offspring shall not be satisfied with bread.
- 15. Those that remain of him shall be buried in death:
 and his widows shall not weep.
 - and his widows shall not weep.
- 16. Though he heap ■ up silver as the dust.

and prepare raiment as the clay;

17. He may prepare it, but the just shall put it on.

- and the innocent shall divide the silver
 - 18. He buildeth his house as a moth, and as a booth *that* the keeper maketh
- 19. The rich man shall
 - lie down, but he shall not be gathered:
- he openeth his eyes,
 and he is not.
- 20. Terrors take hold on him as waters, a tempest stealeth him away in the night.
 - 21. The east wind carrieth him away, and he departeth; and as
- and the departern; and as a storm hurleth him
 - out of his place.

 22. For God shall cast
- upon him, and not spare: he would fain flee out of his hand.
- 23. Men shall clap their hands at him, and shall
- hiss him out of his place.

CHAPTER 28

- Surely there is a vein for the silver, and a place for gold where they fine it.
 Iron is taken out of the earth, and brass is molten out of the stone.
- 3 He setteth an endto darkness, and
 - searcheth out all
- perfection: the stones of darkness, and the shadow of death.
 - 4. The flood breaketh out from the inhabitant; even the waters forgotten of the foot: they are dried up, they are

gone away from men.

- 5. As for the earth, out
 of it cometh bread; and under
- it is turned up as it were fire.

 6. The stones of it are the
- 6. The stones of it are the place of sapphires:
 - and it hath dust of gold.
- 7. There is a path which no fowl knoweth, and which the vulture's eye hath not seen:
- 8. The lion's whelps have not trodden it

nor the fierce lion passed by it.

- 9. **He putteth forth his hand** upon the rock;
- he overturneth themountains by the roots.
 - 10. He cutteth out rivers among the rocks; and
- his eye seeth every precious thing
 - 11. He bindeth the floods from overflowing; and
- the thing that is hid bringeth he forth to light.
 - 12. But where shall wisdom be found? and where is the place of
- understanding?
- 13. Man knoweth not the price thereof; neither is it
 - found in the land of the living.

 14. **The depth** saith, It is not in me:
 - and the sea saith,

 It is not with me
- It is not with me.
 15. It cannot be gotten for
- gold, neither shall silver be weighed for
 - the price thereof.
 - 16. It cannot be
- valued with the
- gold of Ophir, with the precious onyx, or the
 - sapphire
- 17. The gold and the crystal cannot equal it:
 - and the exchange of it shall
- **not** be for
- jewels of fine gold.
 - 18. No mention shall be made of coral, or of pearls: for
 - the price of wisdom is

- 19. The topaz of Ethiopia
 shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.
 - 20. Whence then cometh wisdom? and where is the place of understanding?
 - 21. Seeing
- it is hid from the eyes
- of all living, and kept close from the fowls of the air.
 - 22. Destruction and death say, We have heard the fame thereof with our ears.
- 23. God understandeth
 - the way thereof,
- and he knoweth the place thereof.
- 24. For he looketh to the
 ends of the earth, and
- seeth under
- the whole heaven:
- 25. To make the weight
- for the winds; and he weigheth the waters by measure.
- 26. When he made a decree for the rain, and

a way for the lightning of

- the thunder:
- 27. Then did he see it, and
- declare it; he
- prepared it, yea,
- and searched it out.
 - 28. And unto man he said,
- Behold, the fear of the
- LORD, that is wisdom; and
- to depart from evil is
- | understanding

CHAPTER 29

- Moreover Job continued
 his parable, and said,
- 2. Oh that I were as in months past.
- as in the days when
- God preserved me:
- 3. When his candle shined upon my head, and when by his
 - light I walked through darkness;
- 4. As I was in the days of my youth, when the secret of God
- was upon my tabernacle;
- 5. When the Almighty was yet with me, when my

- children were about me:
- 6. When I washed my steps with butter, and
- the rock poured me
- out rivers of oil;
- 7. When I went out to the gate through the city, when I prepared my seat in the street!
- 8. The young men saw me, and hid themselves: and the
- **aged** arose, and
- stood up.

- 9. The princes refrained
- talking, and laid
- their hand on their mouth.

 10. The nobles held
 - 10. The nobles held their peace, and their tongue
 - cleaved to the roof of their mouth.
- 11. When the ear heard me, then it blessed me;
- and when the eye sawme, it gave witness to me:
- 12. Because I delivered the poor that cried, and the fatherless, and him that had
- fatherless, and him that had none to help him.

 13. The blessing of him
- that was ready to perish came upon me: and I caused the widow's
- caused the widow'sheart to sing for joy.
 - 14. I put on righteousness, and it clothed me: my judgment
- was as a robe and a diadem.

 15. I was eyes to the blind,
- and feet was I
- 16. I was a father to
- the poor: and the cause which I knew not I searched out.
- 17. And I brake the jaws of the wicked, and plucked the spoil out of his teeth.
 - 18. Then I said, I shall die in my nest, and I shall multiply my days as the sand.
- 19. My root was spread out by the waters, and
- the dew lay all night upon my branch.
 - 20. My glory was fresh in me, and my bow was renewed in my hand.
- 21. Unto me men gave ear,

and waited, and kept silence at my counsel.

- 22. After my words they
- spake not again; and my speech dropped upon them.
 23. And they waited for me
 - 23. And they waited for me as for the rain; and they opened their mouth wide as for the latter rain.

 24. If I laughed on them, they
 - believed it not; and the light of my countenance they cast not down.
- 25. I chose out their way, and sat chief.
- and dwelt as a king in the army, as one that comforteth the mourners.

CHAPTER 30

- \blacksquare | 1. But now *they* that are
- younger than I have me in derision, whose fathers
- I would have disdained
 - to have set
- with the dogs of my flock.
 - 2. Yea, whereto *might* the strength of their hands *profit* me, in whom old age was perished?
- 3. For want and famine they were solitary: fleeing into the wilderness in former time desolate and waste.
- 4. Who cut up mallows by the bushes, and
- juniper roots *for* their meat.
- 5. They were driven
- forth from among men, (they cried after them
- Os after
- a thief;)
- 6. To dwell in the cliffs of the valleys.
- in caves of the earth.
- and in the rocks.
 - Among the bushes they brayed; under the nettles they were gathered together.
- 8. They were children
- of fools, yea, children of
 - base men: they were
- viler than the earth
- 9. And now am I their song, yea,
- I am their byword.
- 10. They abhor me.

they flee far from me.

and spare not to spit in my face.

- spit in my face.

 11. Because he hath
 - 11. **Because ne na** loosed my cord, and
 - **afflicted me**, they have also let loose the bridle before me.
 - 12. Upon my right hand rise
- the youth; they push away my feet, and they
- raise up against me the ways of their destruction.
 13. They mar my path.
- they set forward my calamity.

they have no helper.

- 14. **They came upon me** as a wide breaking in *of waters*: in the desolation they rolled themselves upon me.
- 15. Terrors are turned upon me: they pursue my soul as the wind: and my welfare passeth
 - away as a cloud. 16. And now my soul is

poured out upon me:

- the days of affliction
 have taken hold upon me.
 - 17. My bones are pierced in me in the night season:
 - and my sinews
 take no rest
 - 18. By the great force of my disease is my garment changed: it bindeth me about as the collar of my coat.
- 19. He hath cast me
 into the mire, and I am become
 like dust and ashes.
- 20. I cry unto thee, and thou dost not hear me: I stand up.
- and thou regardest me *not*.

 21. **Thou art become**
- cruel to me: with thy strong hand thou opposest thyself against me.
- 22. Thou liftest me up to the wind; thou causest me to ride upon it, and dissolvest my substance.
 23. For
- I know that thou wilt bring me to death, and to the house appointed for all living.
 - 24. Howbeit he will not stretch out

his hand to the grave, though they cry in his destruction.

25. Did not I weep for him that was in trouble?

was not my soul grieved for the poor?

■ 26. When I looked for good. ■ then evil came unto me:

■ and when I waited for light. there came darkness.

> 27. My bowels boiled, and rested not: the days of affliction prevented me. 28. I went mourning without the sun: I

stood up, and I cried in the congregation.

29. I am a brother to dragons, and a companion to owls.

30. My skin is black upon me, and

my bones are burned with heat.

■ 31. My harp also is turned to mourning, and my organ into the voice of them that weep.

CHAPTER 31

1. I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should

I think upon a maid?

2. For what portion of God is there from above?

> and what inheritance of the Almighty from on high?

3. Is not destruction

> to the wicked? and a strange punishment to the workers of iniquity?

4. Doth not he see my ways, and count all my steps?

If I have walked with

vanity, or if my foot hath hasted to deceit:

Let me be weighed

in an even balance

that God may know mine integrity.

7. If my step hath turned

out of the way, and mine heart walked after mine eyes, and if any blot hath cleaved to mine hands:

8. Then let me sow, and let another eat; yea, let my offspring be rooted out.

If mine heart have been

deceived by a woman, or if I

have laid wait at my neighbour's door: 10. Then let my wife arind unto another, and let others bow down upon her.

11. For this is an heinous crime; yea, it is an iniquity to be punished by the judges.

12. For it is a fire that consumeth to destruction

and would root out all mine increase.

If I did despise the

cause of my

manservant or of my

maidservant, when they contended with me

14. What then shall I do when God riseth up?

and when he visiteth, what shall Lanswer him?

15. Did not he that made me in the womb make him? and did not one fashion us in the womb?

16. If I have withheld the poor from their desire, or

have caused the eyes of the widow to fail;

17. Or have eaten my

morsel myself

gione, and the fatherless hath not eaten thereof:

18. (For from my youth he was brought up with me, as with a father, and I have guided her from my mother's womb:)

19. If I have seen any perish for want of clothing, or any poor without covering:

If his loins have not blessed me.

and if he were not warmed with the fleece of my sheep:

21. If I have lifted up

my hand against the fatherless, when I saw

my help in the gate:

22. Then let mine arm fall from my shoulder blade, and mine arm

be broken from the bone.

23. For destruction from God was a terror to me, and by reason of his highness I could not endure.

24. If I have made gold my hope, or have said to the fine

gold. Thou art my confidence;
25. If I rejoice because my
wealth was great, and because
mine hand had gotten much;

26. If I beheld the sun when it shined or the moon

walking in brightness;

27. And my heart hath been secretly enticed, or my mouth hath kissed my hand:

28. This also were an iniquity to be punished by the judge:

for I should have denied

the God *that is* above.

destruction of him that hated me or lifted up

hated me, or lifted up myself when evil found him:

30. Neither have I
suffered my mouth to
sin by wishing a curse
to his soul

31. If the men of my tabernacle said not, Oh that we had of his flesh! we cannot be satisfied.

32. The stranger did not lodge in the street:

but I opened my doors to the traveller.

33. If I covered my transgressions as Adam,

by hiding mine

iniquity in my bosom:

34. Did I fear a great multitude, or did the contempt of families terrify me, that I kept silence, and went not out of the door?

35. Oh that one would hear me! behold, my desire is.

that the Almighty would answer me, and that mine

adversary had written a book.
36. Surely I would take it upon my

shoulder, and bind it as a crown to me.

37. I would declare

unto him the number
of my steps; as a prince

or my steps; as a princ would I go near unto him.

38. If my land cry against me, or that the furrows likewise thereof complain; 39. If I have eaten the fruits thereof without money, or have caused the owners thereof to lose their life:

■ | 40. Let thistles grow ■ instead of wheat,

and cockle instead of barley.

The words of Job

are ended.

CHAPTER 32

1. So these three men ceased to answer Job, because he was righteous

in his own eves

in his own eyes.
≥ 7 Then was kindled the

2. Then was kindled the wrath of Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite, of the kindred of Ram:

against Job was his wrath kindled,

because he justifiedhimself rather than God.

3. Also against his three friends was his wrath kindled.

because they had

found no answer,
and vet had

condemned Job.

4. Now Elihu had waited till Job had spoken.

because they were elder than he.

5. When Elihu saw that *there was* no answer in the mouth of *these* three men, then his wrath was kindled.

6. And Elihu the son of Barachel the Buzite answered and

said, I am young,
and ve are very

and ye are very

old; wherefore I was afraid, and durst not shew you

mine opinion.

7. I said, Days should speak, and multitude of years should teach wisdom.

8. But there is a spirit in man: and the inspiration of the Almighty giveth them understanding.

9. Great men are not always wise: neither do the aged understand judgment.

10. Therefore I said,

Hearken to me;

■ I also

■ will shew mine opinion

11. Behold, I waited

for your words:

I gave ear to your reasons.

whilst ve searched out what to say. 12. Yea. I attended unto you.

and, behold,

there was none of you that convinced Job. or that

answered his words:

13. Lest ve should say. We have found out wisdom: God thrusteth him down, not man.

14. Now he hath not

directed his words against

me: neither will I answer ■ I him with your speeches.

15. They were amazed, they answered no more:

they left off speaking.

> 16. When I had waited, (for they spake not, but stood still, and answered no more:)

17. I said, I will answer also my part. I also will shew mine opinion. 18. For I am full of matter.

the spirit within me

constraineth me.

19. **Behold, my belly** is as wine which hath no vent; it

is ready to burst like new bottles.

> 20. I will speak, that I may be refreshed: I will open my lips and

21. Let me not, I pray you, accept any man's person, neither let me

give flattering titles

unto man.

> 22. For I know not to give flattering titles:

in so doing my maker ■ would soon take me away.

CHAPTER 33

- 1. Wherefore, Job, I pray thee, hear my speeches, and
 - hearken to all my words. 2. Behold, now I have opened my

mouth, my tongue hath spoken in my mouth.

3. My words shall be of the uprightness of my heart; and

my lips shall utter knowledge clearly.

4. The spirit of

God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty

hath given me life.

If thou canst answer me, set thy words in order before me, stand up. 6. Behold, I am according to thy wish in God's stead:

I also am formed

out of the clay.

7. Behold, my terror shall not make thee afraid. .

neither shall my hand be heavy upon thee.

8. Surely thou hast spoken in mine hearing, and

I have heard the voice of thy words, saying,

9. I am clean without transgression,

I am innocent: neither is there iniquity in me.

Behold, he findeth. occasions against me.

he counteth me

for his enemy.

11. He putteth my feet in the stocks,

he marketh all my paths.

12 Behold, in this thou

art not just: I will answer thee, that God is

greater than man.

13. Why dost thou strive against him? for he giveth not account of any of his matters.

14. For God speaketh once, yea

twice, *yet man*

perceiveth it not

In a dream, in a vision of the night.

when deep sleep falleth

upon men, in slumberings upon the bed:

16. Then he openeth

the ears of men.

and sealeth their

instruction.

17. That he may withdraw man from his purpose, and hide pride from man.

18. He keepeth back his

soul from the pit, and his life from perishing by the sword.

19. He is chastened also

with pain upon his bed, and

- the multitude of his bones with strong *pain:*
- 20. So that his life abhorreth bread, and his soul dainty meat.
- 21. His flesh is consumed away, that it cannot be seen;
- and his bones that were not seen
- stick out.

22. Yea,

- his soul draweth near unto the grave, and his life to the destroyers.
- 23. If there be a messenger with him, an interpreter,
- one among a thousand,
- to shew unto man his uprightness:
- 24. **Then he** is gracious unto him, and
- saith, Deliver him from going down to the pit:

I have found a ransom.

- 25. His flesh shall be fresher than a child's: he shall return to the days of his youth:
- 26. He shall pray unto God, and he will be favourable unto him;
- and he shall see his
- face with joy: for he will render unto man his righteousness.
 27. He looketh upon
- men, and if any say,
- I have sinned, and

perverted that which was right, and it profited me not;

- 28. He will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light.
- 29. Lo, all these thingsworketh God oftentimes

■ with man,

- 30. To bring back his soul from the pit, to be enlightened with the light of the living.
 - 31. Mark well,
- O Job, hearken unto me:
- hold thy peace, and will speak.
- 32. If thou hast anything to
- **SOY**, answer me:
- speak, for I desire to justify thee.
 - 33. If not, hearken unto me:

| | hold thy peace, and I shall | | teach thee wisdom.

CHAPTER 34

- 1. Furthermore Elihu
- said.
- 2. Hear my words, O ye
- wise men; and give ear unto me, ye that have knowledge.
- 3. For the ear trieth words,
 as the mouth tasteth meat
- 4. Let us choose to us judgment:
- let us know among ourselves what is good.
 - For
- Job hath said, I am righteous: and God hath
 - righteous: and God hath taken away my judgment.
 - 6. Should I lie against my right? my wound *is* incurable without transgression.
- 7. What man is like Job, who drinketh up scorning
- like water?
 8. Which goeth in company with the workers of iniquity, and
- walketh with wicked men.
- 9. For he hath
- said, It profiteth a man
- nothing that he should delight himself with God.
- 10. Therefore hearken unto
- me ye men of understanding:
 far be it from God, that he
 should do wickedness:
 - and from the Almighty.
- that he shouldcommit iniquity.
 - 11. For
- the work of a man shall ■ he render unto him.
 - and cause every man to find according to *his* ways.
- 12. Yea, surely God will not do wickedly, neither will the Almighty
- pervert judgment.
- 13. Who hath given him a
 - charge over the earth? or who hath disposed the whole world?
 - 14. If he set his heart upon man.
- if he gather unto himself

- | his spirit and his breath;
 - 15. All flesh shall perish together.
- and man shall
- turn again
- unto dust.
 - 16. **If** now
- *thou hast* understanding,
- hear this: hearken to the voice of my words.
 - 17. Shall even he that hateth right govern? and
- | wilt thou condemn
- him that is most just?
- 18. Is it fit to say to a king,
- Thou art wicked?
- Ye are ungodly?
 - 19. How much less
- to him that accepteth not the persons of
- princes, nor regardeth the rich more than
- the poor? for they all
- are the work of his hands.

 20. In a moment shall
- they die, and the people shall be troubled at midnight, and pass away: and the mighty shall be taken away without hand.

21. For

- his eyes are upon the ways of
- man, and he seeth all
- his goings.
- 22. There is no darkness,

nor shadow of death,

- I where the
- workers of iniquity
- may hide themselves.
 - For he will not lay upon man more than right; that he should enter into judgment with God.
- 24. **He shall break** in pieces
- **mighty men** without number,
- and set others in
- their stead.
 - 25. Therefore he knoweth their works, and he overturneth *them* in the night, so that
- they are destroyed.
 - 26. He striketh them as wicked men
- open sight of others:

- 27. Because they turned back from him, and would not
- consider any of his ways:
- 28. So that they cause the cry of the poor to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the afflicted.
- 29. When he giveth quietness, who then can make trouble? and
- when he hideth his face,
 - who then
- can behold him?
 - whether it be
- | *done* against a
- nation, or against
 - a man only:
 - 30. That the hypocrite reign not,
- lest the people be
- ensnared
- 31. Surely it is meet to be
 - said unto God, I have borne chastisement, I will not offend any more:
 - 32. That which I see not teach thou me:
- if I have done iniquity,

 I will do no more.
 - 33. Should it be according to thy mind? he will recompense it, whether thou refuse, or whether thou choose; and not I: therefore speak what thou knowest.
- Let men of understanding tell me, and let a wise man hearken unto me.
- 35. **Job hath spoken** without knowledge, and his words *were*
 - without wisdom.
- 36. My desire is that
- Job may be tried unto
 - the end because of his answers for wicked men.
- 37. For he addeth rebellion
- unto his sin, he clappeth his hands among us,
- and multiplieth his
- words against God.

CHAPTER 35

- 1. Elihu spake moreover, and
- said,
- 2. Thinkest thou
- this to be right, that
 - thou saidst, My
- righteousness is

■1 more than God's?

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- 3. For thou saidst, What advantage will it be unto thee? and,
- What profit shall I have, if I be cleansed from my sin?
- 4. I will answer thee,
- and thy companions
 - 5. Look unto the heavens, and see;
 - and behold the clouds which are higher than thou.

 6. If thou sinnest, what doest
- 6. If thou sinnest, what doest thou against him? or if thy transgressions be multiplied,
- what doest thou unto him?
 - 7. If thou be righteous, what givest thou him?
- or what receiveth he of thine hand?
- 8. Thy wickedness may hurt a man as thou art;

and thy righteousness may profit the son of man.

- By reason of the multitude of oppressions they make
- the oppressed to cry: they
- cry out by reason of the arm of the mighty.
- 10. But none saith,
- Where is God my maker,
- who giveth songs in the night;
 11. Who teacheth us more than
- the beasts of the earth,

and maketh us wiser

than the fowls of heaven?

- There they cry, but none giveth answer, because of the pride of evil men.
- 13. Surely
- God will not hear vanity,
- neither will the Almighty
- regard it.
 - Although thou sayest thou shalt not see him,

yet judgment is before him;therefore trust thou in him.

- 15. But now, because *it is* not so, he hath visited in his anger; yet he knoweth *it* not in great extremity:16. Therefore doth
- Job open his mouth in vain; he
- multiplieth wordswithout knowledge.

CHAPTER 36

- 1. Elihu also proceeded, and
 - 2. Suffer me a little, and
- I will shew thee that I have yet to speak on God's
- behalf
- 3. I will fetch my knowledge from afar, and will
- ascribe righteousnessto my Maker
 - For truly my words shall not be false:
- he that is perfect in knowledge is with thee.
 - 5. Behold,

- God is mighty, and despiseth not any: he is mighty
 - in strength and wisdom.
- 6. He preserveth not the life of the wicked: but
- giveth right to the poor.

 7. He withdraweth not his
- eyes from the righteous: but with kings are they on the throne; yea, he doth establish them for ever, and they are exalted.
- 8. And if they be bound in fetters, and be holden
 - in cords of affliction:
- 9. Then he sheweth them their work, and
- their transgressions

that they have exceeded.

10. He openeth also

- their ear to discipline,
 and commandeth that
 they return from iniquity
- they return from iniquity.11. If they obey and serve
- him, they shall
- spend their days in
- prosperity, and their years in pleasures.
 - 12. But
- if they obey not, they shall perish by the sword, and
- they shall die without
- knowledge
- 13. But the hypocrites in heart heap up wrath: they
- cry not when he bindeth them.
 - 14. They die in youth, and

their life is among the

■ unclean.

15. He delivereth the poor
 in his affliction, and openeth
 their ears in oppression.

16. Even so

■ | would he

■ have removed thee out of

the strait into a broad
 place, where there is no straitness;
 and that which should be set on thy

table should be full of fatness.

17. **But** thou hast fulfilled the judgment of the wicked:

judgment and justice take hold *on thee*.

■ 18. Because there is wrath,
■ beware lest he take thee

■ **QWQY** with his stroke: then a great ransom cannot deliver thee.

19. Will he esteem thy riches? *no*, not gold, nor all the forces of strength.

20. **Desire not the night**, when people are cut off in their place.

21. Take heed, regard not iniquity: for this hast thou chosen

rather than affliction.

22. Behold, God exalteth by his power: who teacheth like him?

23. Who hath enjoined him his way? or

who can say, Thou hast wrought iniquity?

wrought iniquity?

thou magnify his work, which men behold.

25. Every man may see it; man may behold it

■ afar off.

26. Behold,

■ God *is* great, and we

know him not, neither can the number of his years be searched out. 27. For

he maketh small the drops of water: they pour down

rain according to the vapour thereof:

28. Which the clouds do drop and

distil upon man abundantly.

■ 29. Also can *any*

■ understand the spreadings of

the clouds, or the noise of his tabernacle?

30. Behold, he spreadeth

his light upon it, and covereth the bottom of

■ the sea.

31. For by them judgeth he the people; he giveth meat in abundance.

32. With clouds he covereththe light; and commandeth

it not to shine by the cloud that cometh betwixt.

33. The noise thereof sheweth concerning it, the cattle also concerning the vapour.

CHAPTER 37

1. At this also

my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

2. Hear attentively the noise

of his voice, and the sound that goeth out of his mouth.

3. He directeth it under the whole heaven, and

his lightning unto the ends of the earth.

 After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.

God thundereth marvellously with his voice:

great things doeth he, which we cannot

comprehend.

6. For

he saith to the snow, Be thou
on the earth; likewise to the
small rain.

■ and to

■ the great rain of his strength.

■ 7. He sealeth up

■ the hand of every man;

■ that all men

may know his work.

8. Then the beasts go into dens, and remain in their places.

dens, and remain in their places

9. Out of the south cometh the

whirlwind: and cold out of the north.

10. By the breath of God

frost is given: and the breadth of

the waters is straitened. 11 Also by watering he wearieth the thick cloud: he scattereth his bright cloud: ■ 12. **And** it is turned round about by his counsels: that they may do whatsoever he commandeth them upon the face of the world in the earth 13. **He causeth it** to come. whether for correction, or for his land, or for mercy. 14. Hearken unto this, O Job: stand still, and consider the wondrous works of God 15. Dost thou know when God disposed them, and caused the light of his cloud to shine? 16. Dost thou know the balancings of the clouds. the wondrous works of him which is perfect in knowledge? 17. How thy garments are Warm, when he quieteth the earth by the south wind? 18. Hast thou with him spread out the sky. which is strong, and as a molten looking glass? 19. Teach us what we shall say unto him; for we cannot order our speech by reason of darkness. 20. Shall it be told him that I speak? if a man speak, surely he shall be swallowed up. 21. And now men see not the bright light which is in the clouds: but the wind passeth. and cleanseth them.

22. Fair weather cometh out of the

north; with God is terrible majesty.

■ 23. Touching the Almighty,

we cannot find him out:

and in

■ he is excellent in power.

justice: he will not afflict.

24. Men do therefore

judgment, and in plenty of

fear him: he respecteth not any that are wise of heart.

CHAPTER 38

1. Then

the LORD answered Job out of the whirlwind and said 2 Who is this that darkeneth

counsel by words

> without knowledge? Gird up now thy loins like a man;

for I will demand of thee, and answer thou me.

4. Where wast thou when I laid the foundations of the

earth? declare, if thou hast understanding.

5. Who hath

laid the measures

thereof, if thou knowest? or

who hath

stretched the line upon it?

Whereupon are the foundations thereof fastened? or

who laid the corner stone thereof:

7. When the morning stars sand together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

8. Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth, as if it had issued out of the womb?

When I made the cloud the garment thereof, and thick darkness a swaddlingband for it.

10. And brake up

for it my decreed place, and

set bars and doors

11. And said. Hitherto shalt thou come, but no

further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed?

12. Hast thou commanded the morning since thy days; and caused the dayspring to know his place;

13. That it might take hold of the ends of the earth.

that the wicked might be shaken out of it?

> 14. It is turned as clay to the seal; and they stand as a garment.

15. And from the wicked their light is

withholden, and the high arm shall be broken

16. Hast thou entered into the springs of the sea?

or hast thou walked in the search of the depth?

17. Have the gates of death been opened unto thee?

or hast thou seen the doors of the shadow of death?

18. Hast thou perceived

the breadth of the earth? declare if

thou knowest it all.

19. Where is the way

where light dwelleth?

and as for

darkness, where

is the place thereof.

20. That thou shouldest take it to the bound thereof, and that thou shouldest know the paths to the house thereof?

21. Knowest thou it, because thou wast then born? or

because the number of thy days is great?

22. Hast thou entered into the treasures of the snow? or hast thou seen the treasures of the hail.

23. Which I have reserved against the time of trouble, against the day of battle and war?

24. By what way is the light parted, which scattereth the east

wind upon the earth?

25. Who hath divided a watercourse for

the overflowing of

waters, or a way

for the lightning of thunder;

26. To cause it to rain on the earth.

where no man is: on the wilderness, wherein there is no man; 27. To satisfy the desolate and waste around; and

to cause the bud of the tender herb to spring forth?

28. Hath the rain a lather? or

who hath begotten the drops of dew?

29. Out of whose womb came the

ice? and the hoarv frost of heaven

who hath gendered it? 30. The waters are hid as with a stone, and the face of the deep is frozen

31. Canst thou bind the sweet influences of

Pleiades, or loose the bands of

Orion?

32. Canst thou bring forth

Mazzaroth in his season?

Of canst thou

quide Arcturus with his sons?

33 Knowest thou the

ordinances of heaven? canst thou set the dominion thereof in

the earth? 34. Canst thou lift up thy voice to the clouds.

that abundance of waters may cover thee?

35. Canst thou send

lightnings, that they may go and say unto thee. Here we are?

36. Who hath put wisdom in the inward parts?

or who hath given

understanding

to the heart?

37. Who can number the

clouds in wisdom?

Of who can

stay the bottles of heaven.

38. When the dust groweth into hardness, and the clods cleave fast together?

39. Wilt thou hunt the prey

for the lion? or fill the appetite of the young lions.

40. When they couch

in their dens, and abide in the covert to lie in wait?

41. Who provideth

for the raven his food?

when his young ones

cry unto God, they wander for lack of meat.

CHAPTER 39 1 1. Knowest thou the time

■ when the wild goats

of the rock

bring forth? of canst thou mark when the hinds do calve?

- 2. Canst thou number the months that they fulfil? or knowest thou the time when they bring forth?
- 3. They bow themselves, they bring forth their young ones, they cast out their sorrows.
- 4. Their young ones are in good liking, they grow up with corn; they go forth, and return not unto them.
- 5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?
- 6. Whose house I have made the wilderness, and the barren land his dwellings.
- 7. He scorneth the multitude of the city, neither regardeth he the crying of the driver.
- 8. The range of the mountains is his pasture, and he searcheth after every green thing.
- Will the unicorn be willing to serve thee.

or abide by thy crib?

10. Canst thou bind the unicorn with his band in the furrow? or

will he harrow the vallevs after thee?

11. Wilt thou trust him. because his strength

is great? or will thou leave thy labour to him?

- 12. Wilt thou believe him. that he will bring home thy **seed**, and gather it into thy barn?
- 13. Gavest thou the goodly wings unto the peacocks? or wings

and feathers unto

the ostrich?

- 14. Which leaveth her eggs in the earth, and warmeth them in dust.
- 15. And forgetteth that the foot may crush them, or that
- the wild beast may break them.
 - 16. She is hardened against her young ones.
 - as though they were

not her's: her labour is in vain without fear:

- 17. Because God hath deprived her of wisdom. **neither** hath he imparted to her
 - understandina.
 - 18 What time she lifteth up herself on high.
- she scorneth the horse and his rider.
- 19. Hast thou given the horse strength? hast thou
- clothed his neck with thunder? 20 Canst thou make
- him afraid as a grasshopper? the alory of his nostrils is terrible.
- 21. **He** paweth in the valley, and
- rejoiceth in his
- strenath: he ageth on
- to meet the armed men 22 He mocketh at fear
 - and is not affrighted:
- neither turneth he back from the sword
 - 23. The quiver rattleth against him, the glittering spear and the shield.
- 24 He swalloweth the ground with fierceness
- and rage: neither believeth he that it is the sound of the trumpet.
 - 25. He saith among the trumpets, Ha, ha: and he smelleth the battle afar off. the thunder of the captains, and the shouting.
- 26. Doth the hawk fly
- by thy wisdom, and stretch her wings toward the south?
- 27. Doth the eagle mount up at thy command, and make her nest on high?
- 28 She dwelleth and
- 6 abideth on the rock, upon the crag of the rock, and the strong place.
- 29. From thence she seeketh the prey, and her
 - eyes behold afar off. 30. Her young ones also
 - suck up blood; and where the slain are, there is she.

CHAPTER 40

- 1. Moreover the LORD
- answered Job, and said,

- 1 2. Shall he that
- contendeth with the

Almighty instruct him? he that reproveth God, let him answer it.

- 3. Then Job answered
 the LORD, and said.
- 4. Behold, I am vile; what shall I answer thee? I will lay mine hand upon my mouth.
- 5. Once have I spoken; but I will not answer:
- yea, twice; but I will
- proceed no further
- 6. Then answered the
- LORD unto Job out
 of the whirlwind, and said,
- 7. Gird up thy loins
 - now like a man: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.
 - 8. Wilt thou also disannul my judgment?
- will thou condemn me, that
 thou mayest be righteous?
 9 Hast thou an arm
- like God? or canst thou thunder with a voice like him?
- 10. Deck thyself now with majesty and excellency;
- and array thyself

 with glory and beauty.
- 11. Cast abroad the rage of thy wrath: and behold every one that is proud, and abase him.

12. Look on

- every one that is proud, and bring him low; and tread down the wicked in their place.
- 13. Hide them in the dust together; and bind their faces in secret.
- 14. Then will I also confess
 unto thee that thine own
 right hand can save thee.
- 15. **Behold** now

behemoth, which I made with thee;

- he eateth grass as an ox.
 - 16. Lo now,
- his strength is in
- his loins, and his force is in the navel of his belly.
- 17. He moveth his
- tail like a cedar: the sinews of

- his stones are wrapped together.
- 18. His bones are as strong pieces of brass; his bones are like bars of iron.
 - 19. He is the chief of the
- ways of God: he that made him can make his sword to approach unto him.

20. Surely

- the mountains bring
- him forth food, where all the beasts of the field play.
 - 21. He lieth under the shady trees, in the covert of the reed, and fens.
- 22. The shady trees coverhim with their shadow;

the willows of the brook compass him about.

23. Behold, he drinketh up a river, and hasteth not:

- he trusteth that he can draw up Jordan into his mouth.
- 24. He taketh it with
- his eyes: his nose pierceth through snares.

CHAPTER 41

■ 1. Canst thou draw out ■ 1 leviathan with an hook?

or his tongue with a cord which thou lettest down?

- 2. Canst thou put an hook
- into his nose? or bore his jaw through with a thorn?
 - 3. Will he make many supplications unto thee?
- will he speak *soft* words unto thee?
 - 1 4. Will he make a covenant
- with thee? wilt thou take him for a servant for ever?
- 5. Wilt thou play with him
 - as with a bird? or wilt thou bind him for thy maidens?
 - 6. Shall the companions make a banquet of him? shall they part him among the merchants?
- 7. Canst thou fill his
- skin with barbed irons? or his head with fish spears?
- 8. Lay thine hand upon
- him. remember the battle.
- do no more.

- 9. Behold, the hope of him is in vain: shall not *one* be cast down even at the sight of him?
- 10. None is so fierce that
- dare stir him up: who then is able to stand before me?
 - 11. Who hath prevented me, that I should repay *him?*
- whatsoever is under the whole heaven is mine
- 12. I will not conceal his parts, nor
- his power, nor his comely proportion.
 - 13. Who can discover the face of his garment? *or*
- who can come to him with
 - his double bridle?
 - doors of his face?
 his teeth *are* terrible

round about

- 15. His scales are his pride, shut up together as with a close seal.
- 16. One is so near to
- another, that no air can come between them.
 - 17. They are joined one to another, they stick together, that they cannot be sundered.
 - 18. By his neesings a light doth shine, and his eyes *are* like the eyelids of the morning.
- 19. Out of his mouth go burning lamps.

and sparks of fire leap out.

- 20. Out of his nostrils goeth smoke, as out of a seething pot or caldron.
- 21. His breath kindleth
- COGIS, and a flame goeth out of his mouth.
 - 22. In his neck remaineth strength,
- and sorrow is turned into joy before him.
 - 23. The flakes of his flesh are joined together: they are firm in themselves; they cannot be moved.
- 24. His heart is as firm
 - **as a stone**; yea, as hard as a piece of the nether *millstone*.
- 25. When he raiseth
 - up himself, the mighty

- are afraid: by reason of breakings they purify themselves.

 26. The sword of him
- 26. The sword of him
 that layeth at him cannot
 hold: the spear, the dart,
 nor the habergeon
 - nor the habergeon.

 27. He esteemeth iron as straw, and
- brass as rotten wood.

 28. The arrow cannot
- make him flee: slingstones are turned with him into stubble.
- 29. Darts are counted
- as stubble: he laugheth at the shaking of a spear.
 - 30. Sharp stones *are* under him: he spreadeth sharp pointed things upon the mire.
- 31. He maketh the deep to boil like a pot: he maketh the sea like a pot of ointment.
 - 32. He maketh a path to shine after him; *one* would think the deep to be hoary.
- 33. Upon earth there is not his like, who is made without fear.
 - 34. He beholdeth all high things:
 - he *is* a king over all the children of pride.

CHAPTER 42

- Then Job answered the LORD, and said.
- LORD, and said, ■ 2. I know that thou canst do
- every thing, and that
- no thought can be withholden from thee.
 - 3. Who is he that hideth counsel without knowledge? therefore have I uttered that I understood not; things too wonderful for me, which I knew not.
 - 4. Hear, I beseech thee, and I will speak: I will demand of thee, and declare thou unto me.
- 5. I have heard of thee by the hearing of the ear:
- but now mine
- eye seeth thee.
- 6. Wherefore I abhor myself, and repent in dust and ashes.
 - 7. And it was so, that
 - after the LORD had

spoken these words unto Job, the LORD said ■ to Eliphaz the Temanite. ■ My wrath is kindled **against thee, and** against ■ thy two friends: for ye ■ have not spoken of me the thing that is right. as my servant Job hath.

8. Therefore take unto you now seven bullocks and

seven rams, and go

to my servant Job, and ■ offer up for yourselves a ■ burnt offering; and my servant Job shall pray for

■ I you: for him will I accept: lest I deal with you after your folly, in that ye have not spoken of me the thing which is right, like my servant Job.

9. **So Eliphaz** the Temanite and

Bildad the Shuhite and Zophar

the Naamathite went, and

did according as the LORD commanded them:

the LORD also accepted Job.

■ 10 And the LORD turned the captivity of Job, when he prayed for his friends: also the LORD gave Job twice as much as he had

■ before.

11. **Then came** there unto him

all his brethren, and all his sisters, and all

they that had been

of his acquaintance before, and did eat bread with him in his house. and they

bemoaned him, and

comforted him over all the evil that the LORD had

brought upon him: every man also gave him a piece of money, and every one an earring of gold.

12. So the LORD blessed the latter end of Job more than his beginning: for he had

fourteen thousand

sheep, and six thousand

camels, and a thousand voke of

oxen, and a thousand she asses.

13. He had also

seven sons and three dauahters.

14. And he called the name of the first, Jemima; and the name of the second. Kezia: and the name of the third. Keren-happuch.

15. And in all the land were no women found so fair as the daughters of Job: and their father gave them inheritance among their brethren.

16. After this lived Job an hundred and forty years.

and saw his sons.

and his sons' sons, even

four generations.

17. So Job died,

being old and full of days.

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PSALM 1

■ 1.1 Blessed is the man

that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly.

nor standeth in the way

of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

■ 2. But his delight is in

the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

3. And he shall be like a ■ tree planted by the

rivers of water.

I that bringeth forth his

fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and

whatsoever he doeth

shall prosper. 4. The ungodly

are not so: but

are like the chaff which the wind driveth away.

■ 5. Therefore the ungodly

■ shall not stand in the ■ judgment, nor sinners

in the congregation of the righteous.

6. For the LORD knoweth the way of the

righteous: but the way of the ■ ungodly shall perish.

PSALM 2

1. Why do the heathen rage.

and the people

imagine a vain thing?

2. The kings of the earth set themselves.

and the

rulers take counsel together. ■ | against the LORD, and

against

his anointed, savina,

3. Let us break

their bands asunder.

and cast away

their cords from us.

■ 4. He that sitteth in the

heavens shall laugh: the LORD shall have them in derision.

5. Then shall he speak unto them in his wrath,

and vex them in his sore displeasure.

6 Yet have I set

my king upon my holy hill of Zion.

7 I will declare the decree:

the LORD hath said unto me.

Thou art my Son: this day

have I beaotten thee.

Ask of me, and I shall give *thee* the heathen

for thine inheritance.

and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.

Thou shalt break them with a rod of iron: thou

shalt dash them in pieces

like a potter's vessel.

Be wise now therefore, O

ye kings: be instructed, ve judges of the earth.

11. Serve the LORD with

fear, and rejoice with

trembling.

12. Kiss the Son, lest he be angry, and ye perish

from the way, when his wrath is kindled but a little.

Blessed are all

they that put their

■ trust in him.

PSALM 3

1. Lord, how are they increased that trouble me! many are they that rise up against me.

2. Many there be which

SQY of my soul,

There is no help for him

in God. Selah.

3. But thou, O LORD, art a

shield for me; my glory,

and the lifter up of mine head.

4. I cried unto the LORD with my voice,

and he heard me

out of his holy hill. Selah.

5. I laid me down and slept: I awaked; for

the LORD sustained me.

6. I will not be afraid of ten

thousands of people, that have

set themselves

against me round about.

- 7. Arise. O LORD; save me. O my God: for
- thou hast smitten all
- mine enemies upon the cheek bone; thou hast broken the teeth of the ungodly.
- 8. Salvation belongeth
- **unto the LORD**: thy blessing is upon thy people. Selah.

PSALM 4

- 1. **Hear me** when I call.
- O God of my
- righteousness: thou hast enlarged me when I was in distress;
- have mercy upon me.
- and hear my prayer.
- 2. O ve sons of men, how long will ye turn my glory
- into shame? how long will ye love vanity.
 - and seek after leasing? Selah.
 - 3. But know that
- the LORD hath set apart him that is godly for himself: the
 - LORD will hear when I call unto him
- 4. Stand in awe, and sin not: commune with your own heart upon your bed, and be still. Selah.
- 5. Offer the sacrifices of
- righteousness, and put your trust in the LORD.
 - 6. There be
- many that
- say, Who will shew us any
- good? LORD, lift thou
- up the light of thy
- countenance upon us.
- 7. Thou hast put gladness
- in my heart. more than in the time that their corn
- and their wine increased.
- 8. I will both
- lay me
- down in peace, and sleep:
- for thou, LORD, only
- makest me dwell in safety.

PSALM 5

- 1. Give ear to my words.
- O LORD, consider my meditation.
 - Hearken unto the voice of my cry.

my King, and my God:

- for unto thee will I pray. 3. My voice shalt thou hear
 - in the morning, O LORD; in the morning will I direct my prayer unto thee, and will look up.
- 4. For thou *art* not a God that hath pleasure in wickedness: neither shall evil
- dwell with thee. 5. The foolish shall not . stand in thy sight: thou hatest all workers of iniquity.
- 6. Thou shalt destroy them that speak leasing: the LORD will abhor the bloody and deceitful man.
 - 7. But as for me.
- I will come into the house in the multitude of thy mercy:
 - and in the

fear will I worship

toward thy holy temple.

- 8. Lead me, O LORD. in thy righteousness
 - because of mine enemies; make thy way straight
 - before my face.
- 9. For there is no faithfulness in their mouth; their inward part is very wickedness;
 - their throat is an open sepulchre; they flatter with
- their tonaue.
- 10. **Destroy** thou them. O God:
- let them fall by their own
 - counsels; cast them out in the multitude of their transgressions;
- for they have rebelled against thee.
- 11. But let all those that put their trust in thee rejoice:
 - let them ever shout for joy.
- because thou
- defendest them: let them also that love thy name be joyful in thee.
- 12. For thou, LORD. wilt bless the righteous;
 - with favour wilt thou compass him as with a shield.

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PSALM 6

■ 1 1 O LORD, rebuke

me not in thine

anger, neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

■ 2. Have mercy upon me, O LORD:

for I am weak: O LORD.

■ heal me; for my ■ bones are vexed.

■ 3. My soul is also sore

■ | vexed: but thou.

■ O LORD, how long? 4. Return. O LORD.

deliver my soul:

oh save me for thy mercies' sake.

5. For in death there is no remembrance of thee:

in the grave

■ who shall give

■ thee thanks?

■ 6. I am weary with my groaning; ■ all the night make I my bed

to swim: I water my couch

with my tears.

7. Mine eve is consumed because

of grief; it waxeth old because of all mine enemies.

8. **Depart** from me, all

ye workers of iniquity; for the LORD hath heard

the voice of

my weeping.

9. The LORD hath heard my supplication:

the LORD will receive my prayer.

■ 10. Let all mine enemies be

ashamed and sore vexed: let them return

and be

ashamed suddenly.

PSALM 7

■ 1. O LORD my God,

in thee do I put my trust:

save me from all them that persecute me.

and deliver me:

■ 2. Lest he tear my soul like a lion, rending it

■ in pieces,

while there is none to deliver.

O LORD my God.

If I have done this:

if there be iniquity in my hands;

4. If I have rewarded evil

unto him that was at peace with me: (yea, I have delivered him. that without cause is mine enemy:)

5. Let the enemy persecute

my soul, and take it; yea. let him tread down my life

upon the earth, and lay mine honour in the dust. Selah.

6. Arise, O LORD, in thine

anger, lift up thyself

because of the rage of

mine enemies: and

awake for me

to the judgment that thou hast commanded.

> So shall the congregation of the people compass thee about: for their sakes therefore return thou on high. 8. The LORD shall judge the people:

judge me, O LORD.

according to my righteousness, and according to

mine integrity that is in me. 9. Oh let the

wickedness of the wicked

come to an end; but establish the just: for

the righteous God trieth the

hearts and reins.

10. My defence is of God, which saveth the upright in heart.

11. God judgeth the righteous,

and God

is angry with the wicked every day.

12. If he turn not, he will

whet his sword: he hath bent his

how, and made it ready. 13. He hath also

prepared for him the instruments of death;

he ordaineth his arrows against the persecutors.

14. Behold, he travaileth with iniquity, and hath

conceived mischief,

and brought forth falsehood.

- 15. He made a pit, and digged it, and is fallen into the ditch which he made.
- 16. His mischief shall return upon his own head.
- and his violent dealing shall come down upon
- his own pate.
- 17. I will praise the
- LORD according to his righteousness:

and will sing praise to the name of the LORD most high.

PSALM 8

■ 1 1 O LORD, our Lord.

how excellent is thy name in all the earth! who hast set

thy glory above the heavens.

- 2. Out of the mouth of
- babes and sucklings hast thou ordained
- **strength** because of thine enemies.
- that thou mightest still the
- enemy and the avenger.
- 3. When I consider thy heavens.
- the work of thy fingers.
- the moon and the
- stars, which thou hast ordained:
- 4. What is man, that thou
- art mindful of him? and the son of man.
- that thou visitest him?
- 5. For thou hast
- made him a little lower
- than the angels, and hast
- crowned him with glory and honour.
- 6. Thou madest him to have dominion over

the works of thy hands; thou hast put all things under his feet:

- 7. All sheep and oxen, yea, and
- the beasts of the field:
- 8. The fowl of the air, and
- the fish of the sea.
- and whatsoever
- passeth through the paths of
- the seas.
- 9. O LORD our Lord,
- how excellent is
- I thy name in all the earth!

PSALM 9

- 1. I will praise thee, O LORD. with my whole heart: I will
 - shew forth all thy marvellous works.
- 2. I will be glad and
 - rejoice in thee: I will sing praise to thy name. O thou most High.
- 3. When mine enemies are
- turned back, they shall fall and perish at thy presence.
- 4. For thou hast maintained my right and
- my cause; thou satest in the throne judaina right.
 - 5 Thou hast rebuked
- the heathen, thou hast destroyed the wicked, thou hast out out their name for ever and ever.
 - 6. O thou enemy, destructions are come to a perpetual end; and thou hast destroyed cities:
- their memorial is perished with them.
- 7 But the LORD shall endure for ever: he hath prepared his
- throne for judament. 8. And he shall judge
- the world in righteousness. he shall minister judgment to the people in uprightness.
 - 9. The LORD also
- will be a refuge for the oppressed,
 - a refuge in times of trouble.
 - 10. And they that know thy name will put their trust in thee: for
- thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that
- seek thee.
 - 11. Sing praises to the
- LORD, which dwelleth in Zion: declare among the people his doings. 12. When he maketh inquisition for blood, he remembereth them:
- he forgetteth not the cry of the humble.
- 13. Have mercy upon me,
- O LORD; consider my
- trouble which I suffer of them that hate me thou that
 - liftest me up from the gates of death:
 - 14. That I may shew forth all thy praise in the gates of the daughter of Zion:

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- I will reioice in thy salvation. 15. The heathen
- are sunk down
- - in the pit that they made:

in the net which they hid is their own foot taken.

- 16. The LORD is known by the
- judgment which he executeth:
- the wicked is snared in the work of his own hands.

Higgaion. Selah.

- 17. The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the
- nations that forget God.
- 18. For the needy
- shall not alway
- be forgotten: the expectation of the
- poor shall not perish for ever.
- 19. Arise, O LORD;
 - let not man prevail: let the heathen be judged in thy sight.
- 20. Put them in fear. O LORD:
- that the nations may know themselves to be but men.

Selah

PSALM 10

- Why standest thou afar off.
- O LORD? why hidest thou thyself in times of trouble?
- 2. The wicked in his
- pride doth persecute
- the poor: let them be taken in the devices that they have imagined.
- 3. For the wicked boasteth of his heart's desire.
- and blesseth the covetous.
- whom the LORD abhorreth.
- 4. The wicked, through the
- pride of his countenance.
- will not seek after God:
- God is not in all ■ his thoughts.
 - - 5. His ways are always grievous;
- thy judgments are far above out of his sight: as for all his enemies, he puffeth at them.
- 6. He hath said in his heart.
- I shall not be moved:

for I shall never be in adversity.

- 7. His mouth is full of cursing and
- deceit and
 - fraud: under his tongue is
 - mischief and vanity. 8. He sitteth in the lurking
 - places of the villages:
- in the secret places
- doth he murder the innocent:
- his eyes are privily set against the poor.
- He lieth in wait secretly as a lion in his den:
- he lieth in wait to catch
- the poor; he doth catch the poor, when he draweth him into his net.
 - 10. He croucheth, and humbleth himself, that the poor may fall by his strong ones.
- 11 He hath said in his heart.
- God hath forgotten: he
- hideth his face: he
- will never see it. 12. Arise. O LORD:
- O God, lift up thine hand:
- forget not the humble.
 - 13. Wherefore doth the wicked contemp God? he hath said in his heart. Thou wilt not require it.
 - 14. Thou hast seen

it: for thou beholdest

- mischief and spite.
- to requite it with thy hand:
- the poor committeth
- himself unto thee; thou art the helper of the fatherless.
- 15 Break thou the arm of
- the wicked and the evil
- man: seek out his wickedness till thou find none.
- 16. The LORD is King for
- ever and ever:
- the heathen
- are perished out of his land.
- 17. LORD, thou hast heard
- the desire of the humble:
- thou wilt prepare
- their heart.

thou wilt cause thine ear to hear:

- 18. To judge the fatherless and the oppressed, that
- the man of the earth may
 - no more oppress.

PSALM 11

- 1 1. In the LORD put I my trust:
- how say ye to my soul,
- Flee as a bird to your mountain?
 - 2. For, lo, the wicked bend their bow, they
- make ready their arrow upon the string, that they may privily shoot at the upright in heart.
 - 3. If the foundations be destroyed, what can the
- righteous do?
- 4. The LORD is in his
- holy temple, the LORD'S throne is in heaven:
- his eyes behold. his evelids try.
- the children of men.
- 5. The LORD trieth the
- righteous: but the wicked and him that loveth violence
- his soul hateth.
- 6. Upon the wicked he shall rain snares, fire and brimstone.
- and an horrible tempest: **this shall be** the portion of
- | their cup.
- 7 For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his
 - countenance doth behold the upright.

PSALM 12

1. Help. LORD:

for the godly man ceaseth;

- for the faithful fail from
- among the children of men.
 - 2. They speak vanity
 - every one with his neighbour:
- with flattering lips and with
- a double heart do they speak.
- 3. The LORD shall cut off all flattering lips, and the tongue that speaketh proud things:
- 4. Who have said, With our tongue will we prevail; our lips are our own:
- Who is lord over us?
- 5. For the oppression of the
- **POOT,** for the sighing of the needy, now will I arise, saith the
- LORD; I will set him in safety
 - from him that puffeth at him. 6. The words of the LORD

- are pure words:
- *as* silver tried in a furnace
 - of earth, purified seven times. Thou shalt keep them.
- O LORD, thou shalt preserve them
 - from this generation for ever.
- The wicked walk on
- every side, when the
 - vilest men
- are exalted.

PSALM 13

1. How long will thou forget me. O LORD?

for ever? how long wilt thou hide thy face from me?

- How long shall I take
- counsel in my soul.
- having sorrow
 - in my heart daily?
- how long shall mine enemy
 - be exalted over me?
 - Consider and
- hear me, O LORD my God:
 - lighten mine eyes, lest I
- sleep the *sleep of* death;
- Lest mine enemy say. I have prevailed
- against him; and those that trouble me rejoice when I am moved.
 - But I have trusted in
- thy mercy;
 - my heart shall rejoice in thy salvation.
- I will sing unto the LORD,
- because he hath dealt
- l **e** l bountifully with me.

PSALM 14

- The fool hath said in his
- heart, *There is* no God. They are corrupt, they have done
 - abominable works, there is none that doeth good.
- 2. The LORD looked down from heaven upon the children of men.
- to see if there were any
- that did understand. and seek God.
- 3. They are all
 - gone aside, they are all together
- become filthy: there is
 - none that doeth good.

- no, not one.
- 4. Have all the workers of iniquity no knowledge?

who eat up my people as they eat bread, and call not upon the LORD.

- 5. There were they in great fear: for God is in the generation of the riahteous.
- 6. Ye have shamed the counsel of the poor. because the LORD is his refuge.
- 7 Oh that the salvation of
- Israel were come out of Zion! when the LORD
- bringeth back the captivity
 - of his people, Jacob shall rejoice, and Israel shall be glad.

PSALM 15

1. Lord, who shall abide in thy tabernacle?

who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

- 2. He that walketh
- uprightly, and worketh righteousness, and speaketh the truth in his heart.
- He that backbiteth not. with his tongue.
- nor doeth evil to his
- neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.
- 4. In whose eyes a vile person is contemned:

but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. He that sweareth to his own hurt, and changeth not.

- 5. He that putteth not out ■ his money to usury, nor
- I taketh reward against
- the innocent. He that doeth these things
- shall never be moved.

PSALM 16

- 1 1. Preserve me, O God:
- for in thee do I put my
- | trust.
- 2. O my soul, thou
- hast said unto the LORD.
- Thou *art* my Lord:
- my goodness extendeth not to thee:
- 3. But to the saints that are in

the earth, and to the excellent.

- in whom is all my delight.
- 4. Their sorrows shall be multiplied that hasten after another god: their drink

offerings of blood will I not offer, nor take up their names into my lips.

- 5. The LORD is the portion of mine inheritance and of my cup: thou maintainest my lot.
 - 6. The lines are fallen unto me in pleasant places:
- vea. I have a
- goodly heritage.
- I will bless the LORD.
- who hath aiven me
- counsel: my reins also instruct me in the night seasons.
- 8. I have set the LORD always before me:

because he is at my right hand. I shall not be moved.

- Therefore my heart
- is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope.
- 10. For thou wilt not leave my soul in hell; neither wilt
- thou suffer thine Holy One
- to see corruption.
- 11 Thou wilt shew me the path of life:
- in thy presence is fulness of joy:
- at thy right hand there are pleasures for evermore.

PSALM 17

- 1. Hear the right, O LORD, attend unto my cry.
- give ear unto my prayer. that goeth not out of feigned lips.
 - Let my sentence come forth from thy presence; let thine eyes behold the things that are equal.
- 3. Thou hast proved mine heart: thou hast
- visited *me* in the night:
- thou hast tried me. and shalt find nothing;
- I am purposed that my mouth shall not transgress.
 - 4. Concerning the works of men, by the word of thy lips
- I have kept *me from* the

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- paths of the destroyer.
 - 5. Hold up my goings in thy paths, that my footsteps slip not.
- 6. I have called upon thee, for thou wilt hear me.
- O God: incline thine ear
- unto me, and hear my speech.
- 7. Shew thy marvellous
- lovingkindness, O thou that savest by thy right hand them which put their trust in thee from those that rise up against them.
- 8. Keep me as the apple of
 - the eye, hide me under the shadow of thy wings,
- From the wicked that oppress me, from my deadly enemies, who compass me about.
- 10. They are enclosed in their own fat: with their mouth they speak proudly.
 - 11. They have now compassed us in our steps: they have set their eyes bowing down to the earth:
 - 12. Like as a lion that is greedy of his prey, and as it were a young lion lurking in secret places.
- 13. Arise, O LORD, disappoint him, cast him down:
- deliver my soul from
- the wicked, which is thy sword: 14. From men which are thy hand, O LORD, from men of the world, which have their portion in this life, and whose belly thou fillest with thy hid treasure: they are full of children, and leave the rest of their substance to their babes
- 15. As for me, I will behold thy face in righteousness:
 - I shall be satisfied,
- when I awake. ■ | with thy likeness.

PSALM 18

- | 1. I will love thee.
- O LORD, my strength. ■ 2. The LORD is my rock,
- and my fortress, and my
- deliverer; my God, my strength. in whom I will trust;
 - my buckler, and the horn of my salvation, and my high tower.

- 3. I will call upon the LORD, who is worthy
- to be praised: so shall I be saved from mine enemies.
- 4. The sorrows of death
- compassed me, and
- the floods of ungodly men made me afraid.
 - The sorrows of hell compassed me about the snares of death. prevented me.
 - In my distress
- I called upon the LORD. and cried unto my God:
- he heard my voice
 - out of his temple, and my cry came before him. even into his ears.
- 7. Then the earth shook and trembled:
- the foundations also of the hills. moved and were shaken
- because he was wroth.
- 8. There went up a smoke out of his nostrils, and
- fire out of his mouth devoured:
 - coals were kindled by it.
 - 9. **He** bowed the heavens also, and
- came down: and darkness was under his feet.
- 10. And he rode upon
- a cherub, and did fly: vea, he did fly
- **UDON** the wings of

- the wind. 11. He made darkness
- his secret place; his pavilion round about him were dark waters and thick clouds of the skies.
 - 12. At the brightness that was before him his thick clouds passed, hail stones and coals of fire.
- 13. The LORD also
- thundered in the heavens, and the Highest gave his voice; hail
- stones and coals of fire. 14. Yea, he sent out his
- QITOWS, and scattered them;
- and he
 - shot out
- lightnings, and discomfited them.
 - 15. Then the channels of waters were seen, and

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- the foundations of the world were discovered
 at thy rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of thy nostrils.
 - 16. **He** sent from above,
- drew me out of many waters.
- 17. He delivered me from my strong enemy, and from them which hated me: for they were too strong for me.
- 18. They prevented me in
 the day of my calamity: but
 the LORD was my stay.
 - 19. He brought me forth also into a large place; he delivered me, because he delighted in me.
- 20. The LORD rewarded me
 according to my
 - righteousness; according to the cleanness of my hands hath he recompensed me.
- 21. For I have kept the ways of the LORD, and have not wickedly departed from my God.
 - 22. For all his judgments were before me, and
- I did not put away
- his statutes from me.23. I was also upright
- before him, and I kept myself from mine iniquity.
- 24. Therefore hath the LORD recompensed me according to my righteousness, according to the cleanness of my hands in
- his eyesight.

 25. With the merciful thou wilt shew thyself merciful; with an upright man thou wilt shew thyself upright;
- 26. With the pure thou wilt
 shew thyself pure; and with the froward thou wilt shew thyself froward.
- 27. For thou wilt save the afflicted people; but wilt bring down high looks.
 - 28. For thou wilt light my candle: the LORD my God will enlighten my darkness.
- 29. For by thee I have run through a troop; and

by my God

- have i
- leaped over a wall.
- 30. As for God, his way is
 - perfect: the word of the LORD is tried:
- he is a buckler to all those that trust in him
- 31. For who is God save
- the LORD? or who is a rock save our God?
- 32. It is God that girdeth me with strength, and maketh
 my way perfect.
- 33. He maketh my
- feet like hinds' feet, and setteth me upon my high places.
 - 34. He teacheth my hands to war, so that a bow of steel is broken by mine arms.
- 35. Thou hast also given me the shield of thy salvation:
 and thy right hand hath holden me up.
- and thy gentleness hath made me great.
 - 36. Thou hast enlarged my steps under me, that my feet did not slip.
- 37. I have pursued mine enemies, and overtaken
- them: neither did I turn again till they were consumed.
 - 38. I have wounded them that they were not able to rise:
- they are fallen under my feet.
- 39. For thou hast girded me with strength unto the battle: thou hast subdued under me those that rose up against me.
- 40. Thou hast also given me the necks of
- mine enemies; that I might destroy them that hate me.
- 41. They cried, but there
 was none to save them:
 even unto the LORD, but he
 answered them not.
 - 42. Then did I beat them small as the dust before the wind: I did cast them out as the dirt in the streets.
- 43. Thou hast delivered me
 from the strivings of the
 people; and thou hast
- made me the head of the

- **heathen:** a people whom I have not known shall serve me.
 - 44. As soon as they hear of me, they shall obey me: the strangers shall submit themselves unto me. 45. The strangers shall fade

away, and be afraid out of their close places.

- 46. The LORD liveth: and blessed be my rock; and let the God of my salvation be exalted.
 - 47. It is God that avengeth me, and subdueth the people under me.
- 48. He delivereth me from mine enemies: yea, thou liftest me up above those that rise up against me: thou hast delivered me from the violent man.
- 49. Therefore will I
- give thanks unto thee. O LORD, among the heathen,
- and sing praises
- unto thy name.
- 50. Great deliverance
- giveth he to his king; and sheweth mercy to his anointed, to David, and
- to his seed for evermore.

PSALM 19

- The heavens declare
 - the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth
- his handiwork.
- 2. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge.
- 3. There is no speech nor
- language, where their voice is not heard.
 - 4. Their line is gone out through all the earth. and their words to the end of the world
- In them hath he set a ■ tabernacle for the sun.
- 5. Which is as a ■ bridegroom

coming out of his chamber,

- and rejoiceth as a strong man to run a race.
- 6. His going forth is from the
 - end of the heaven, and his

circuit unto the ends of it:

and there is nothing hid from the heat thereof.

7. The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the

LORD is sure, makina wise the simple.

- 8. The statutes of the LORD = = are right, rejoicing the
- heart: the commandment of the LORD is pure.
- enlightening the eyes.

- 9. The fear of the LORD is clean, enduring for ever: the judaments of the LORD
- are true and righteous altogether.
- 10. More to be desired are they than gold.

yea, than much fine gold:

- sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.
 - 11. Moreover by them is thy servant warned:
- and in keeping of
- them there is areat reward.
- 12. Who can understand his 8 errors? cleanse thou me from
- secret faults 13. Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous
- sins; let them not have dominion over me:
- then shall I be upright.

and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

- 14. Let the words of my
- mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable
- in thy sight, O LORD, my
- strength, and my
- redeemer.

PSALM 20

- 1. The LORD hear thee in the
- day of trouble; the name of the God of Jacob defend thee:
 - Send thee help
- from the sanctuary. and strengthen thee out of Zion:
- Remember all thy
- offerings, and accept thy

burnt sacrifice: Selah.

- 4 Grant thee according to ■ thine own heart.
- and fulfil all thy counsel.
 - 5. We will rejoice in thy
- salvation, and in the name of our God we will set up our banners; the LORD fulfil all thy petitions.
 - 6. Now know I that
- the LORD saveth
- his anointed: he will hear him from his holy heaven with the saving strength of his right hand.
- 7. Some trust in chariots. and some in horses; but we
- will remember the name of
- the LORD our God.
- 8. They are brought down and fallen:
- but we are risen. and stand upright.
- 9. Save. LORD: let the king
- hear us when we call.

PSALM 21

- 1. The king shall joy in thy strength, O LORD; and in thy salvation how greatly shall he rejoice!
- 2. Thou hast given him his heart's desire, and hast not
 - withholden the request of his lips. Selah.
- 3. For thou preventest him with the
- blessings
 - of goodness: thou settest a crown of pure gold on his head.
- 4. He asked life of thee, and thou gavest it him, even length of days for ever and ever.
- 5. His glory is great in thy salvation: honour and majesty hast thou laid upon him.
- 6. For thou hast made him

most blessed for ever: thou hast made him exceeding

glad with thy countenance. 7. For the king trusteth in the

- LORD, and through the mercy of the most High he
- shall not be moved.
- 8. Thine hand shall find out
 - all thine enemies: thy right

- hand shall find out those that hate thee
- 9. Thou shalf make them as a fiery oven in the time of thine anger: the LORD shall
- swallow them up in his wrath. and the fire shall devour them.
 - 10. Their fruit shalt thou
- **destroy** from the earth,
- and their seed

from among the children of men.

- 11. For they intended evil against thee: they imagined a mischievous device, which they are not able to perform.
 - 12. Therefore shalt thou make them turn their back, when thou shalt make ready thine arrows upon thy strings against the face of them.
- 13. Be thou exalted, LORD. in thine own strenath:
- so will we sing and praise thy power.

PSALM 22

- My God, my God,
- why hast thou
 - forsaken me?

why art thou so far from helping me, and from the words of my roaring? 2. O my God.

- I cry in the day time, but thou hearest not; and in the
- night season, and am not silent. 3. But thou art holy, O thou that inhabitest the praises of Israel.
 - 4 Our fathers trusted in
- thee: they trusted, and thou didst deliver them.
- 5. They cried unto thee, and were delivered: they trusted in thee, and were not confounded.
- But i am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and
- despised of the people.
- 7. All they that see me laugh me to scorn; they shoot out the lip, they shake the head,
- saying,
- 8. He trusted on the LORD that he would deliver him:
- let him deliver him, seeing
- he delighted in him.

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- 9 But thou art he that took me out of the womb: thou didst make me hope when I was upon my mother's breasts.
- 10. I was cast upon thee from the womb: thou art my God from my mother's belly.
- 11. Be not far from me: for trouble is near; for there is none
- 12. Many bulls have compassed me: strong bulls of Bashan
- have beset me round. 13. They gaped upon me with their mouths.
- **as** a ravening and
- a roaring lion.
- 14. I am poured
- out like water, and all my bones are out of joint:
- my heart is like wax;
 - it is melted in the midst of my bowels.
- 15. My strenath is dried up like a potsherd; and my tongue cleaveth to my
- igws: and thou hast brought me into the dust of death.
- 16. For dogs have compassed me; the assembly
- of the wicked have enclosed me:
- they pierced my hands and my
- feet.
 - 17. I may tell a!l my bones: they look and stare upon me.
- 18. They part my garments among them.
- and cast lots upon my vesture.
 - 19. But be not thou far from me, O LORD: O my strength, haste thee to help me.
- 20. Deliver my soul

from the sword; my darling from the power of the dog.

- 21. Save me from the lion's
- mouth: for thou hast heard me from the horns of the unicorns.
- 22. I will declare thy name unto my brethren:
- in the midst of the
 - congregation will I

praise thee.

- 23. Ye that fear the LORD.
- praise him: all ve the seed of Jacob, glorify him; and fear him, all ve the seed of Israel.
- 24. For he hath not despised

nor abhorred the affliction of

- the afflicted: neither hath he hid his face from him: but when he cried unto him, he heard.
- 25. My praise shall be of thee in the great
- congregation: I will pay my vows before them that fear him.
- 26 The meek shall eat and
- be satisfied: they shall praise the LORD that seek him: your heart shall live for ever.
- 27. All the ends of the world shall remember and turn
- unto the LORD: and all the kindreds of the
- nations shall worship before thee.
 - 28. For the kingdom is the LORD'S: and he is the governor among the nations.
- 29. All they that be fat upon earth
- shall eat and worship:
- all they that go down to the dust shall bow
- before him: and none can
 - keep alive his own soul. 30. A seed shall serve him; it shall be
 - accounted to the Lord for a generation.
- 31. They shall come.
- and shall
- declare his righteousness
- unto a people that shall
- **be born**, that he hath done this.

PSALM 23

- 1. The LORD is my
- shepherd: I shall not want.
- He maketh me to lie
- down in green pastures:
- he leadeth me beside
- the still waters.
- He restoreth my soul:
 - he leadeth me in the paths
 - of righteousness for his

- name's sake.
- 4. Yea, though I walk
- through the valley of the
- shadow of death, I will fear
- no evil: for thou art with me: ■ thy rod and thy staff they
- comfort me.
- 5. Thou preparest a table
- before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou
- anointest my head with oil:
- my cup runneth over. ■ 6. Surely goodness and
- mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I
- will dwell in the house of
- the LORD for ever.

PSALM 24

- 1. The earth is the LORD'S. and the fulness thereof:
 - the world, and they that dwell therein.
- For he hath founded it upon the seas, and established
- it upon the floods. Who shall ascend into the hill of the LORD? or who shall
- stand in his holy place?
- 4. He that hath clean hands. and a pure hearf; who hath not
 - lifted up his soul unto vanity, nor sworn deceitfully.
- П 5. He shall receive the blessing from the LORD, and righteousness from the God
- of his salvation. 6. This is the generation of them that seek him.
- that seek thy face, O Jacob. Selah.
- 7. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; and be ye lift up,
- ye everlasting doors; and the King of glory
- shall come in.
- 8. Who is this King of glory?
- The LORD strong and
- mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.
- 9. Lift up your heads, O ye gates; even lift them up,
 - ve everlasting doors;
- and the King of glory shall come in.
- 10. Who is this King of

- glory? The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory. Selah.

PSALM 25

- 1. Unto thee, O LORD.
- do I lift up my soul. O my God.
- I trust in thee: let me
- not be ashamed, let not mine. enemies triumph over me.
- 3. Yea, let none that wait on
- thee be ashamed:
 - let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.
- 4. Shew me thy ways, O
- LORD; teach me thy paths.
 - Lead me in thy truth, and teach me:
- for thou art the God of
- my salvation:
 - on thee do I wait all the day.
- Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies
- and thy loving kindnesses;
- for they have been
- ever of old.
- 7. Remember not the sins of
- my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy
- remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.
 - Good and upright
- is the LORD: therefore will
 - he teach sinners in the way.
- The meek will he guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.
- 10. All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth
 - unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.
- 11. For thy name's sake, 2 O LORD.
- pardon mine iniquity; for it is great.
- 12. What man is he that
 - feareth the LORD? him shall he teach in the way that he shall choose.
- 13. His soul shall dwell
- at ease: and his seed
- shall inherit the earth. The secret of
- the LORD

is with them that fear him: and he

will shew them

his covenant.

15. Mine eyes are ever

toward the LORD: for he shall pluck my feet out of the net.

16. Turn thee

unto me, and have mercy upon me;

for I am desolate and afflicted.

17. The troubles of my heart are enlarged:

O bring thou me out of my distresses.

> 18. Look upon mine affliction and my pain; and

forgive all my sins.

■ 19. Consider mine enemies:

for they are many; and

■ they hate me with cruel hatred.

20. O keep my soul, and

deliver mé: let me not be ashamed:

for I put my trust in thee.

■ 21. Let integrity and

uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee.

22. Redeem Israel, O God. out of all his troubles

PSALM 26

Judge me, O LORD; for I

have walked in mine

integrity: I have trusted also

in the LORD: therefore

I shall not slide.

■ 2. Examine me, O LORD, and prove me; try my reins and my heart.

3. For thy lovingkindness is before mine eyes: and I have walked in thy truth.

4 I have not sat with vain persons, neither

will I go in with dissemblers.

5. I have hated the congregation of evildoers: and will not sit with

the wicked.

> 6. I will wash mine hands in innocency: so will I compass thine altar, O LORD:

7. That I may publish with the voice of thanksgiving, and

tell of all thy

wondrous works.

8. LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house.

and the place where thine honour dwelleth

9. Gather not my soul with sinners.

nor my life with bloody men:

10. In whose hands is mischief, and their right hand is full of bribes.

11. But as for me, I will walk in mine integrity:

6 redeem me, and be merciful unto me.

12. My foot standeth in an even place: in the congregations will I bless the LORD.

PSALM 27

1. The LORD is my

light and my

salvation; whom shall I fear? the LORD is the

strength of my life; of whom

shall I be afraid? When the wicked, even.

mine enemies and my foes.

came upon me

to eat up my flesh,

they stumbled and fell.

3. Though an host should encamp against me, my

heart shall not fear: though war should rise against me.

in this will I be confident. One thina

have I desired of the LORD, that

will I seek after; that I may dwell in the house of

the LORD all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the

LORD, and to inquire in his temple. For in the time of trouble

he shall hide me in his pavilion: in the secret of his tabernacle shall he hide me:

he shall set me up upon a rock.

And now shall mine

head be lifted up above

mine enemies round about me: therefore will I offer in his tabernacle sacrifices of joy; I will sing, yea, I will sing praises unto the LORD.

7. Hear, O LORD,

■ when I cry with my voice:

have mercy also upon me, and answer me.

8. When thou saidst, Seek
 ye my face; my heart said
 unto thee.

Thy face, LORD, will I seek.
9. Hide not thy face far from me; put

not thy servant away in anger: thou hast been my help;

■ leave me not,

neither forsake me,

■ O God of my salvation.

10. When my father and my mother forsake me, then
 the LORD will take me up.

11. Teach me thy way, O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of mine enemies.

12. Deliver me not over unto the will of

mine enemies: for false witnesses are risen up against me, and such as breathe out cruelty.

■ 13. *I had fainted,* unless I had believed to see the

goodness of the LORD

in the land of the living.

■ 14. Wait on the LORD: be of good courage,

and he shall strengthen

■ thine heart:

wait, I say, on the LORD.

PSALM 28

■ 1. Unto thee will I cry, ■ O LORD my rock;

be not silent to me: lest, if thou be silent to me, I become like them that go down into the pit.

2. Hear the voice of my supplications,

when I cry unto thee, when I lift up my hands toward thy holy oracle.

3. Draw me not awaywith the wicked.

and with the workers of iniquity,

which speak peace to their neighbours,

■ but mischief is

■ in their hearts.

 Give them according to their deeds, and according to the wickedness of their endeavours: give them after the work of their hands;

render to them their desert.

5. Because they regard not the works of the LORD, nor the operation of his hands.

nor the operation of his hands, he shall destroy them.

and not build them up.

6. Blessed be the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of

i my supplications.

■ 7. The LORD is my strength

 and my shield; my heart
 trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth; and with my song will I praise him.

■ 8. The LORD is their

strength, and he is

the saving strength

of his anointed.

9. Save thy people, and bless thine inheritance: feed them also,

and lift them up for ever.

PSALM 29

■ 1 Give unto the LORD,

O ye mighty, give unto the LORD glory and strength.

■ 2. Give unto the LORD the

glory due unto

his name; worship the

LORD in the beauty

of holiness.

■ 3. The voice of the LORD is

upon the waters:

the God of glory thundereth: the LORD is upon many waters.

4. The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.

■ 5. The voice of the LORD

breaketh the cedars;

yea, the LORD breaketh the cedars of Lebanon.

6. He maketh them also to skip like a calf; Lebanon and Sirion like a young unicorn.

7. The voice of the LORD

divideth the flames of fire.

8. The voice of the LORD

■ | shaketh the wilderness;

the LORD shaketh the wilderness of Kadesh.

9. The voice of the LORD

maketh the hinds to calve,

■ and discovereth the

forests: and in his temple doth every one speak of his glory.

10. The LORD sitteth upon
 the flood; yea, the LORD
 sitteth King for ever.

■ 11. **The LORD will** give strength unto his people; the LORD will

■ bless his people

with peace.

PSALM 30

■ | 1. I will extol thee,

O LORD; for thou hast lifted me up. and hast not made my foes to rejoice over me. 2. O LORD my God,

I cried unto thee, and

thou hast healed me.
3. O LORD.

thou hast brought up my soul from the grave:

thou hast kept me alive, that I should not go down to

■ I the pit.

■ 4. Sing unto the LORD,

O ye saints

of his, and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

5. For his anger endureth but a moment:

in his favour is life:

weeping may endure fora night, but joy cometh

in the morning.

■ 6. And in my prosperity

■ I said, I shall never

be moved.

7. LORD, by thy favour thou hast made my mountain to stand strong: thou didst hide thy face, and I was troubled.

8. I cried to thee, O LORD; and unto the LORD

I made supplication.

■ 9. What profit is there in my

blood, when I go down to the pit? Shall the dust praise thee?

shall it declare thy truth?

■ 10. Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me:

LORD, be thou my helper.

11. Thou hast turned for me my mourning into dancing: thou hast put off my sackcloth, and girded me with gladness;

12. To the end that *my* glory may sing praise to thee, and not be silent.

■ O LORD my God, I will give thanks unto thee for ever.

PSALM 31

 In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust; let me never be ashamed: deliver me in thy righteousness.

2. Bow down thine ear to me;

deliver me speedily: be thou my strong rock,

for an house of defence to save me.

3. For thou art my rock and my fortress; therefore for thy name's sake lead me, and
 quide me.

4. Pull me out of the net that they have laid privily for me: for

thou art my strength.

5. Into thine hand I commit
my spirit: thou hast redeemed me.

O LORD God of truth.

6. I have hated them that regard lying vanities:
 but I trust in the LORD.

7. I will be glad and rejoice in thy mercy: for thou hast considered my trouble;

thou hast known my soul in adversities;

8. And hast not shut me up into the hand of the enemy:

thou hast set my feet in a large room.

9. Have mercy upon me,

O LORD, for I am in trouble: mine eye is consumed with grief, yea. my soul and my belly.

10. For my life is spent with grief, and my years with sighing:

my strength faileth

because of mine iniquity, and my bones are consumed.

■ 11. I was a reproach

among all mine enemies,

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- but especially among my neighbours, and a fear to mine acquaintance: they that did see me without fled from me.
- 12. I am forgotten as
- a dead man out of mind:

 I am like a broken vessel.
 - 13 For I have heard the slander of
- many:
- fear was on every side: while they
 took counsel together
- took counsel together against me, they devised
- to take away
- | my life.
- 14. But I trusted in thee, O LORD: I said,
- Thou art my God.
 - 15. My times *are* in thy hand: deliver me from the hand of mine enemies, and from them that persecute me.
- 16 Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake.
 - 17. Let me not be ashamed, O LORD; for I have called upon thee: let the wicked be ashamed, and let them be silent in the grave.
- 18. Let the lying lips be put to silence; which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous.
- 19. Oh how great is thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee;
- which thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!
- 20. Thou shalt hide them in the secret of
- thy presence from the
- pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.
- 21. Blessed be the LORD: for he hath shewed me his marvellous kindness in a strong city.
- 22. For I said in my haste, I am cut off from before thine eyes:
- nevertheless thou heardest the voice of my supplications
- when I cried unto thee.
 - 23. O love the LORD, all ye his saints: for

- | the LORD preserveth the
- faithful, and plentifully rewardeth the proud doer.
- 24. Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart,
- all ye that hope
- In the LORD.

- I. Blessed is he whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.
- 2. Blessed is the man untowhom the LORD imputeth
- not iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no quile.
- 3. When I kept silence, my bones waxed old through my roaring all the day long.
 - 4. For day and night
- thy hand was heavy uponme: my moisture is turned into the drought of summer. Selah.
- 5. I acknowledge my sin unto thee,
- and mine injusts have I not hid. I
- said, I will confess my
 transgressions unto the
 LORD: and thou forgavest
 - LORD; and thou forgavest the iniquity of
- my sin. Selah.
- 6. For this shall every one that is godly pray unto thee in a time when thou mayest be found: surely in the floods of great waters they shall not come nigh unto him.
- 7 Thou *art* my hiding place;
- thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Selah.
- 8. I will instruct thee
- and teach thee in
- the way which
- thou shalt go:
 - I will guide thee with mine eye.
- 9. Be ye not as the horse, or as the mule,
- which have no
- understanding: whose
- mouth must be held
 - in with bit and bridle,
 - lest they come near unto thee.

10. Many sorrows shall be
 to the wicked: but he that
 trusteth in the LORD, mercy
 shall compass him about.

11. Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all *ye that are* upright in heart.

PSALM 33

- 1. Rejoice in the LORD, O ye righteous: for praise is comely for the upright.
- 2. Praise the LORD with
- harp: sing unto him
- with the psaltery and an instrument of ten strings.
- 3. **Sing** unto him
- a new song;

play skilfully with a loud noise.

- 4. For the word of the LORD is right:
 - and all his works are done in truth.
- 5. He loveth righteousness
 and judgment: the earth is full of the goodness of the LORD.
- 6. By the word of the LORD were the heavens made;
 and all the host of them by

the breath of his mouth.

- 7. He gathereth the waters of the sea together as an heap: he layeth up the depth in storehouses.
- 8. Let all the earth fear the
 LORD: let all the inhabitants of the

world stand in awe of him

9. For he spake,and it was done:

he commanded, and it stood fast.

10. The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought:

- he maketh the devices of the people of none effect.
- 11. The counsel of the LORD
 standeth for ever, the thoughts
- of his heart to all generations.

 12. Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD;

and the people whom he hath chosen for his own inheritance.

13. **The LORD looketh** from heaven; he beholdeth all the sons of men.

14. From the place of his habitation

he looketh

- upon all the inhabitants of the earth.
- 15. He fashioneth their hearts alike: he
- ■| nearrs allke; ne ■| considereth all their works.
 - 16. There is no king saved by the multitude of an host: a mighty man is not delivered by much strength.
 - 17. An horse *is* a vain thing for safety: neither shall he deliver *any* by his great strength.
- 18. Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon them that
 - fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy:
- 19. To deliver their soul from death,
- and to keep them alivein famine.
- 20. Our soul waiteth for the
- LORD: he is our help and our shield.

 21. For our heart shall
 - 21. For our heart shall rejoice in him.
- rejoice in him,
 because we have
- trusted in his holy
- name.
- 22. Let thy mercy,
- O LORD, be upon us,

according as we hope in thee.

- 1. I will bless the LORD at all
 times: his praise shall
 continually be in my mouth.
 - 2. My soul shall make her boast in the LORD: the humble shall hear thereof, and be glad.
- 3. O magnify the LORD
- with me, and let us
- exalt his name together.
- 4. I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and
- delivered me from all my fears.
 - 5. They looked unto him, and were lightened: and their faces were not ashamed.
- 6. This poor man cried, and the LORD heard *him*, and
- saved him out of all his troubles.
 7. The angel of the LORD
- encampeth round

- Labout them that fear him. and delivereth them.
- 1 8. O taste and see that the
- LORD is good; blessed is the man that trusteth in him. 9. O fear the LORD, ve his saints; for
 - there is no want to them that fear him. 10. The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger: but
- they that seek the LORD shall not want ■ any good thing.
- 11. Come.

ye children, hearken unto me:

- I will teach you the fear of the LORD.
 - 12. What man is he that desireth life, and loveth many days, that he may see good?
- 13. Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile.
 - 14. Depart from evil,
- and do good; seek peace. and pursue it.
 - 15. The eyes of the LORD are upon the righteous, and his ears are open unto their cry.
- 16. The face of the LORD is against them that do evil. to cut off the remembrance of

them from the earth.

- 17. The righteous cry, and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.
- 18. The LORD is nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and
- saveth such as be of a contrite spirit.
- 19. Many are the afflictions of the righteous: but the LORD delivereth him

out of them all.

- 20. He keepeth all his
- bones: not one of them ■ is broken.
- 21. Evil shall slay
- the wicked: and
- they that hate the righteous
- shall be desolate.
- 22. The LORD redeemeth the soul of his servants:
- and none of them that trust

- |■| in him shall |■| be desolate.

- 1. Plead my cause, O LORD, with them that strive with me:
- fight against them that fight against me.
 - 2. Take hold of shield and buckler. and stand up for mine help.
 - Draw out also the spear. and stop the way against them that persecute me:
- say unto my soul. I am thy salvation.
- 4. Let them be confounded
- and put to shame
- that seek after
- my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt.
 - 5. Let them be as chaff before the wind: and
- let the angel of the LORD chase them.
- 6. Let their way be dark and slippery; and let the angel of the LORD persecute them.
- 7. For without cause have **thev** hid for me their net in a pit, which without cause they have
- digged for my soul. 8. Let destruction come
- upon him at unawares; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.
- And my soul shall be joyful in the LORD: it shall rejoice in his salvation.
 - 10. All my bones shall say,
- LORD, who is like unto thee, which deliverest the poor from him that is too strong for him, yea, the poor and the needy from him that spoileth him?
- 11. False witnesses did rise up; they
- laid to my charge things
- that I knew not. 12. They rewarded me evil
- for good to the spoiling of my soul.
 - 13. But as for me, when they were sick, my clothing was sackcloth:

with fasting; and my prayer returned into mine own bosom.

■ 14. I behaved myself

as though he had been my friend or brother: I bowed down heavily, as one that mourneth for his mother.

mourneth for his mother.

15. **But in mine adversity**they rejoiced, and gathered themselves together: yea, the abjects gathered themselves together against me, and I knew it not; they did tear me, and ceased not:

16. With hypocritical mockers in feasts, they gnashed upon me with their teeth

■ 17. **Lord,** how long wilt thou look on?

rescue my soul
from their destructions,
my darling from the lions.

18. I will give thee thanks in the great congregation:
I will praise thee

among much people.

19. Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me:

neither let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause.

20. For they speaknot peace: but they devise

deceitful matters against them that are quiet in the land.

21. Yea, they opened their mouth wide against me, *and* said, Aha, aha, our eye hath seen *it*.

22. This thou hast seen.

O LORD: keep not silence:

O LOND, keep not slience: O Lord, be not far from me.

23. Stir up thyself, and
 awake to my judgment, even
 unto my cause, my God and my Lord.

■ 24. **Judge me**, O LORD my God,

according to thy righteousness;

and let them not rejoice over me. 25. Let them not say in their hearts, Ah, so would we have it: let them not say, We have swallowed him up.

26. **Let them be ashamed** and brought to confusion together

■ | that rejoice at mine hurt:

let them be clothed with shame and dishonour that magnify themselves against me.

27. Let them shout for joy, and be glad,

■ that favour my righteous

Cause: yea, let them say continually, Let the LORD be magnified, which hath pleasure in the prosperity of his servant.

■ 28. And my tongue shall

speak of thy righteousness andof thy praise all the day long.

PSALM 36

- 1. The transgression of the wicked saith within my
 heart, that there is no fear
- of God before his eyes.
 - For he flattereth himself in his own eyes, until his iniquity be found to be hateful.
- 3. The words of his mouth

■ *are* iniquity and

deceif: he hath left off to be wise, and to do good.

4. He deviseth mischief upon his bed; he setteth himself in a way *that is* not good;

■ he abhorreth not evil.

5. Thy mercy.

O LORD, is in the heavens; and thy faithfulness reacheth unto the clouds.

6. Thy righteousness is like

■ 6. Thy right■ the great

mountains; thy judgments
are a great deep: O LORD.

thou preservest man and beast.

7. How excellent is thy lovingkindness, O God! therefore the children of men put their trust under the shadow of thy wings.

8. They shall be abundantly satisfied with the fatness of thy house; and thou shalt make them drink of the river

of thy pleasures.

9. For with thee is the fountain of life: in thy light shall we see light.

■ 10. O continue thy lovingkindness unto

them that know thee; and thy

- righteousness to
- the upright in heart.
 - 11. Let not the foot of pride come against me, and let not the hand of the wicked remove me.
 - 12. There are
- the workers of iniquity fallen: they
- are cast down.
- and shall not be able to
- I∎I rise.

PSALM 37

- I 1. Fret not thyself
 - because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.
- 2. For they shall soon
- **be cut down** like the grass, and wither as the green herb.
- 3. Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.
- 4. Delight thyself also in the LORD: and he shall give thee the desires of thine
 - heart.
- 5. Commit thy way unto the LORD: trust also in him: and he shall bring it to pass.
- 6. And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the
- light, and thy judgment as the noonday.
- 7. Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently
- for him: fret not thyself
- because of him who prospereth
 - in his way, because of
- the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.
 - 8. Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.
- For evildoers shall be cut
- off: but those that wait
- upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth.
 - 10. For yet a little while, and the wicked shall not be: yea, thou shalt diligently consider his place, and it shall not be.
 - 11. But the meek shall inherit

the earth:

- and shalf delight themselves in the abundance of peace.
- 12. The wicked plotteth
- against the just, and anasheth upon him with his teeth.
 - 13. The LORD shall laugh at
- him: for he seeth that his day is coming.
- 14. The wicked have drawn out the sword.
- and have bent their bow, to cast down the poor and needy, and to slav such as be of
- upright conversation.
- Their sword shall enter into their own heart, and their bows shall be broken.
- 16. A little that a righteous man hath is better than the riches of many wicked.
 - 17. For the arms of the wicked shall be broken: but the LORD upholdeth the righteous.
- 18. The LORD knoweth the days of
- the upright: and their inheritance shall be for ever.
- 19. They shall not be ashamed in the evil time: and in the days of famine
- they shall be satisfied.
- 20. But the wicked shall **perish.** and the enemies of the LORD shall be as the fat of lambs: they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away.
- 21. The wicked borroweth.
- and payeth not again: but the righteous
 - sheweth mercy, and
 - giveth.
- 22. For such as be blessed of him shall inherit the
- earth: and they that be cursed of him shall be cut off.
- 23. The steps of a good man are ordered by the
 - LORD: and he delighteth in his way. 24. Though he fall, he shall
- not be utterly

cast down: for the LORD upholdeth him with his hand.

25. I have been young, and now am old: yet have I not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread.

26. He is ever merciful, and lendeth; and his seed is blessed.

27. **Depart from evil.** and do good; and dwell for evermore.

28 For the LORD loveth judament.

> and forsaketh not his saints; they are preserved for ever; but the seed of the wicked shall be cut off.

29. The righteous shall inherit the land, and dwell therein for ever.

30. The mouth of the righteous speaketh

wisdom, and his tongue talketh of iudament.

31 The law of his God is in his heart:

> none of his steps shall slide. 32. The wicked watcheth the righteous, and seeketh to slay him. 33. The LORD will not leave him in his hand, nor condemn him when he is judged.

34. Wait on the LORD, and keep his way, and he shall exalt thee to inherit the land: when the wicked are cut off thou shalt see it.

35. I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

36. Yet he passed away. and, lo, he was not; yea, I sought him. but he could not be found.

37. Mark the perfect man. and behold the upright:

for the end of that man is peace.

38. But the transgressors shall be destroyed together; the end of the wicked shall be cut off.

39. But the salvation of the righteous is of the LORD: he is their strenath

in the time of trouble.

40. And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the

wicked, and save them. because they trust in him.

PSALM 38

1. O lord, rebuke me not in thy wrath: neither chasten me in thy hot displeasure.

2. For thine arrows stick fast in me, and thy hand presseth

3. There is no soundness in my flesh because of thine anger:

neither is there any rest in my bones because of my

4. For mine iniquities are gone over mine head: as an heavy burden they

are too heavy for me.

5. My wounds stink and are corrupt because of my foolishness. 6. I am troubled: I am

bowed down greatly:

I ao mournina all the day long.

For my loins are filled with a loathsome disease; and there is no soundness in my flesh.

I am feeble and sore broken: I have roared by reason of the disquietness of my heart.

9. Lord, all my desire is before thee; and my groaning is not hid from thee.

10. **My heart panteth,** my strength faileth me: as for the light of mine eyes, it also

is gone from me.

11. My lovers and my friends stand aloof from my sore; and my kinsmen stand afar off.

They also that seek after. my life lay snares *for*

me: and they that seek my hurt speak mischievous things, and imagine deceits all the day long.

13. But I, as a deaf man,

heard not; and I was as a dumb man that openeth not his mouth.

14. Thus I was as a man that heareth not, and in whose mouth are no reproofs.

- 15. For in thee, O LORD,
- do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.
- 16. For I said, Hear me, lest otherwise they should
- rejoice over me: when my foot slippeth, they magnify themselves against me.
- 17. For I am ready to halt, and my sorrow is continually before me.
 - 18. For I will declare mine iniquity;
- I will be sorry for my sin.
- 19. **But mine enemies** are lively, and they
- are strong: and
- | they that
- hate me wrongfully are multiplied.
 - 20. They also that render evil for good are mine adversaries:
- | because I follow the ■ thing that good is.
 - 21. Forsake me not, O LORD: O my God, be not far from me.
- 22. Make haste to help me. ■ O Lord my salvation.

- 1. I said. I will take heed to my ways.
- that I sin not with my tongue: I will keep my mouth with a bridle, while the
- wicked is before me. 2. I was dumb with silence.
- I held my peace, even from good; and my sorrow was stirred.
- My heart was hot within me, while I was musing the fire burned:
- then spake I with my tongue,
- 4. LORD, make me to know mine end, and the measure of my days, what it is: that I may know
- how frail l am.
- 5. **Behold,** thou hast made
- my days as an
 - handbreadth; and mine
- age is as nothing before thee: verily every man at
- his best state *is* altogether vanity. Selah.
- 6. Surely every man walketh in a vain shew: surely they are disquieted in

- vain: he heapeth up riches, and knoweth not who shall gather them.
- And now, Lord,
- what wait I for? my hope is in thee.
- Deliver me from all
- my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish.
- I was dumb. I opened not my mouth; because thou didst it.
- 10. Remove thy stroke away from me:
- I am consumed by the blow of thine hand.
- When thou with rebukes.
- dost correct man for
- iniquity, thou makest his beauty to consume away
- like a moth: surely every man is vanity. Selah.
- 12. **Hear my prayer,** O LORD, and give ear unto my cry; hold not thy peace at my tears:
- for I *am* a stranger
- with thee, and a sojourner, as all my fathers were.
- 13. **O spare me**, that I may recover strength,
- before I go hence,
- and be no more.

- 1. I waited patiently for the LORD; and he
 - inclined unto me, and
- heard my cry.
- 2. He brought me up also out of an horrible pit.
- out of the miry clay, and set
- my feet upon a rock, and established my goings.
- And he hath put a new.
- song in my mouth, even praise unto our God:
 - many shall see it, and fear, and shall trust in the LORD.
- 4. Blessed is that man that
- maketh the LORD his trust. and respecteth not the
- proud, nor such as
- turn aside to lies.
- 5. Many, O LORD my God.
- are thy wonderful works

which thou hast done, and thy thoughts which are to us-ward: they cannot be reckoned up in order unto thee: if

I would declare and speak of them, they are more than

can be numbered.

6 Sacrifice and offering thou didst not desire:

mine ears hast thou opened: burnt offering and sin offering hast thou not required.

7. Then said I. Lo. I come: in the volume of the book it is written of me.

8. I delight to do thy will, O . my God: yea, thy law is

within my heart.

9. I have preached righteousness in the great congregation: lo, I have not refrained my lips, O LORD, thou knowest. 10. I have not hid thy righteousness within my heart:

I have declared thy faithfulness and thy

salvation: I have not concealed thy

lovingkindness and thy truth from the great congregation.

11. Withhold not thou thy tender mercies from me, o

LORD: let thy lovingkindness and thy truth continually preserve me.

12. For innumerable evils have compassed me

about: mine iniquities have taken hold upon me, so that I am not able to look up; they

are more than the hairs of mine head:

therefore my heart faileth me.

13. Be pleased, O LORD, to deliver me: O LORD

make haste to help me.

14. Let them be ashamed and

confounded together

that seek after

my soul to destroy it; let them be driven backward and put to shame that wish me evil.

15. Let them be desolate for a reward of their shame that say unto me. Aha. aha.

16. Let all those that seek

thee rejoice and be glad in thee; let such as love thy salvation

sav continúally.

The LORD be magnified.

17. **But I am poor and**

needy; yet the Lord thinketh

upon me: thou art my help and my

deliverer; make no tarrying. O my God.

PSAIM 41

1. Blessed is he that considereth the poor: the

LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.

2 The LORD will preserve him, and

keep him alive; and he

shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him. unto the will of his enemies.

3. The LORD will strengthen **him** upon the bed of languishing: thou will make all his bed in his sickness.

4. I said, LORD, be merciful unto me: heal my soul; for I

have sinned against thee.

5. Mine enemies speak evil of me. When shall he die, and his name perish?

> 6. And if he come to see me, he speaketh vanity: his heart gathereth iniquity to itself: when he goeth abroad, he telleth it.

All that hate me whisper together against me: against me do they

devise my hurt. 8. An evil disease, say they, cleaveth

fast unto him; and now that he lieth he shall rise up no more.

9 Yea, mine own familiar friend, in whom I trusted,

which did eat of my bread.

hath lifted up *his* heel against me.

10. But thou, O LORD, be

merciful unto me, and raise me up, that I may requite them.

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- 11. By this I know that thou
 favourest me, because
 mine enemy doth not
- **I** triumph over me.

12. And as for me, thou upholdest me in mine integrity, and settest me before thy face for ever.

- 13. Blessed be the LORD
- God of Israel from everlasting, and to everlasting.
- Amen, and Amen.

PSALM 42

- 1. As the hart panteth after
 the water brooks, so
 panteth my soul after thee,
- O God.
- 2. My soul thirsteth for God, for the living God: when shall I come and appear before God?
- 3. My tears have been my meat day and night, while
 they continually say unto me,
 Where is thy God?
 - 4. When I remember these *things*, I pour out my soul in me: for
- I had gone with the
 - I multitude, I went with them
- to the house of God, with the voice of
- joy and praise, with a multitude that kept holyday.
- 5. Why art thou cast down,O my soul? and why art
- thou disquieted in me?

 hope thou in God: for
 - I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance.
 - 6. O my God, my soul is cast down within me: therefore will I remember thee from the land of Jordan, and of the Hermonites, from the hill Mizar.
- 7. Deep calleth unto deep at the noise of thy waterspouts:
- all thy waves and thybillows are gone over me.
 - 8. Yef the LORD will command his lovingkindness in the day time, and
- in the night his song shall be with me.
 - and my prayer unto the God of my life.
- 9. I will say unto God my
- rock, Why hast thou

- **forgotten me?** why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
- 10. As with a sword in my bones, mine enemies reproach me; while they say daily unto me, Where is thy God?
- 11. Why art thou cast down,
- O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me?
- hope thou in God: for I
- shall yet praise him,
 who is the health of my
 countenance, and my God.

PSALM 43

- 1. Judge me, O God, and ■ 1 plead my cause against an
- plead my cause against an ungodly nation: O deliver me from the deceitful and unjust man.
- 2. For thou art the God of
- my strength: why dost thou cast me off? why go I mourning because of the oppression of the enemy?
- 3. O send out thy light and thy truth: let them
- lead me; let them bring me
 - unto thy holy hill, and to thy tabernacles.
- 4 Then will I go unto the
- altar of God, unto God my exceeding joy: yea,
- upon the harp will I
 - praise thee, O God my God. 5. Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted within me?
- hope in God: for I shall yet
- praise him, who is the health of my countenance, and my God.

- 1. We have heard with our ears,
- O God, our fathers have
- told us, what work thou
- **didst in** their days, in the
- times of old.
- 2. How thou didst drive out
- the heathen with thy hand,
- and plantedst them; how thou
- didst afflict the people,
- and cast them out.
- 3. For they got not

- the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but thy right hand, and thine arm, and the light of thy countenance, because thou
 - hadst a favour unto them. Thou art my King. O God: command deliverances for Jacob.
- 5. Through thee will we push down our enemies: through thy name will we tread them under that rise up against us.
- 6. For I will not trust in my
- bow, neither shall

- mv sword save me.
 - 7 But thou hast saved us from our. enemies, and hast out them to shame that hated us.
- In God we boast all the day long.
- and praise thy
- name for ever. Selah.
- 9. But thou hast cast off. and put us to shame; and
- goest not forth with our armies.
 - 10. Thou makest us to turn back from the enemy: and they which hate us spoil for themselves.
- 11. Thou hast given us like sheep appointed for meat; and hast
- scattered us amona the heathen.
 - 12. Thou sellest thy people for noughl, and dost not increase thy wealth by their price.
- 13. Thou makest us a reproach to our
- neighbours, a scorn and a derision to them that are round about us.
- 14. Thou makest us a byword among the
- heathen, a shaking of the head among the people.
- 15. My confusion is continually before me.
 - and the shame of my face hath covered me.
 - 16. For the voice of him that reproacheth and blasphemeth; by reason of the enemy and avenger.

- 17. All this is come upon us: vet have we not forgotten
- thee, neither have we dealt falsely in thy covenant.
- 18. Our heart is not turned
- back, neither have
 - our steps declined from thy way:
 - 19. Though thou hast sore broken us in the place of dragons, and covered us with the shadow of death.
- 20. If we have forgotten the name of our God, or stretched out our hands to a strange god;
- 21. Shall not God search
- this out? for he knoweth the secrets of the heart 22. Yea, for thy sake are we
- killed all the day long; we are counted as sheep for the slaughter.
- 23. Awake, why sleepest thou,
 - O Lord? arise.
 - cast us not off for ever.
 - 24. Wherefore hidest thou thy face, and forgettest our affliction and our oppression?
- 25. For our soul is bowed
- down to the dust: our belly cleaveth unto
- the earth.
- 26. Arise for our help.
- and redeem us
 - for thy mercies' sake.

- My heart is inditing a good matter: I speak of the things which I have made touching the king:
- my tongue is the pen of a ready writer.
- Thou art fairer than the
- children of men: grace is poured into thy lips: therefore God hath blessed thee for ever.
 - 3. Gird thy sword upon thy thigh,
 - O most mighty, with thy glory and thy majesty.
- 4. And in thy majesty ride prosperously because of
 - truth and meekness and
- righteousness; and thy right

- hand shall teach thee terrible things.

 5. **Thine arrows** *are* **sharp**
- Thine arrows are sharp in the heart of the king's enemies; whereby the people fall under thee.
- 6. Thy throne, O God, is for
 ever and ever: the sceptre of thy kingdom is a right sceptre.
- 7. Thou lovest
- righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of
- gladness above thy fellows.

 8. All thy garments smell of myrrh, and aloes, and
- Cassia, out of the ivory palaces, whereby they have made thee glad.
 Kings' daughters were
- among thy honourable
 women: upon thy right hand did stand the queen in gold of Ophir.
- 10. Hearken, O daughter, and consider, and incline thine ear;
- forget also
- thine own people,
- and thy father's house;
 11. So shall the king greatly
 desire thy beauty; for he is
- desire thy beauty: for he is
 thy Lord; and worship thou him.
 12. And the daughter of Tyre shall be
 - And the daughter of Tyre shall be there with a gift; even the rich among the people shall intreat thy favour.
- 13. The king's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold.
- 14. She shall be brought unto the king in raiment of needlework: the virgins her companions that follow her shall be brought unto thee.
- 15. With gladness and rejoicing shall they be

brought: they shall enter into the king's palace.

 Instead of thy fathers shall be thy children, whom thou mayest make princes in all the earth.

- 17. I will make thy
- name to be remembered in all generations:
- therefore shall the
 - people praise thee
- I for ever and ever.

PSALM 46

- 1. God is our refuge andstrength, a very present
- help in trouble.
- 2. Therefore will not we fear,
- though the earth be
- removed, and though the mountains be carried into
- mountains be carried to the midst of the sea:
 - 3. Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof. Selah.
 - 4. *There is* a river, the
- streams whereof shall
- make glad the city of God, the holy place of the tabernacles of the most High.
- 5. God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved:
- God shall help her, and that right early.
- 6. The heathen raged, the kinadoms were moved:
- he uttered his voice, the earth melted.
- earth melted.
 7. The LORD of hosts is with
 us: the God of Jacob is our refuge.
- Selah.

 8. Come, behold the works
 of the LORD, what desolations he
- hath made in the earth.

 9. He maketh wars to cease unto the end of the earth; he breaketh the bow, and cutteth
- the spear in sunder;
 he burneth the chariot
 in the fire.
- 10. Be still, and know that I
- am God: I will be exalted
- among the heathen, I will be exalted in the earth.
 - 11. The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge. Selah.

- 1. O clap your hands, all ye people;
- shout unto God with
- the voice of triumph.
- 2. For the LORD
 - most high is terrible; he
- is a great

- King over all the earth.
- 3. He shall subdue the
- people under us, and the nations under our feet.
 - 4. He shall choose our inheritance for us, the excellency of Jacob whom he loved. Selah.
- 5. God is gone up with a shout, the LORD with
- the sound of a trumpet.

6. Sing praises to God, sing praises: sing praises

- unto our King, sing praises.

 7. For God is the King of all
- **the earth:** sing ye praises with understanding.
- 8. God reigneth over the
 heathen: God sitteth upon
 the throne of his holiness.
 - 9. The princes of the people are gathered together, even the people of the God of Abraham: for the shields of the earth belong unto God:
- he is greatly exalted.

PSALM 48

- 1. Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in the
 - city of our God, in the mountain of his holiness.
- 2. Beautiful for situation,
- the joy of the whole earth,
- is mount Zion, on the sides
- of the north, the city of the great King.
 - God is known in her palaces for a refuge.
- 4. For, lo, the kings were assembled, they passed by together.
 - 5. They saw *it, and* so they marvelled; they
- were troubled, and hasted away.
 - 6. Fear took hold upon them there, and pain, as of a woman in travail.
 - 7. Thou breakest the ships of Tarshish with an east wind.
 - 8. As we have heard.
- so have we seen in the city of the LORD
 - of hosts, in the city of our God:
- God will establish
- it for ever. Setah.

- 9. We have thought of thy lovingkindness, O God,
 - in the midst of thy temple.

 10. According to thy name,
 O God, so *is* thy praise unto
 the ends of the earth:
- thy right hand is full of righteousness.
- 11. Let mount Zion rejoice, let the daughters of Judah be glad, because of thy judgments.
 - 12. Walk about Zion, and go round about her: tell the towers thereof.
 - 13. Mark ye well her bulwarks,
- consider her palaces; that ye may tell it to the generation following.
- 14. For this God is our
- God for ever and ever:
 - he will be our guide even unto death.

PSALM 49

- 1. **Hear this, all ye people;** give ear, all *ye* inhabitants of the world:
- 2. Both low and high,
- rich and poor, together.
- 3. My mouth shall speak
 of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding.
 - 4. I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying upon the harp.
- 5. Wherefore should I fear in the days of
- **evil**, when the iniquity of my heels shall compass me about?
- 6. They that trust in their wealth, and boast themselves in the multitude of their riches:
 - 7. None of them

can by any means redeem his brother.

nor give to God a ransom for him:

- 8. (For the redemption of their soul *is* precious, and it ceaseth for ever:)
- 9. That he should still live
- for ever, and not see corruption.
- 10. For he seeth that wise
 - men die, likewise the fool

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- and the brutish person
 perish, and leave their
 wealth to others
- 11. Their inward thought is, ■ that their houses shall
- continue for ever, and their dwelling places to all generations;
- they call *their* lands after
- their own names.

 Nevertheless man
 - being in honour

■ abideth not:

he is like the beasts that perish.

- 13. **This** their way
- is their folly: yet their posterity approve their sayings. Selah.
 - 14. Like sheep they are laid in the grave;
- death shall feed on them;and the upright shall have
- dominion over them

in the morning; and their beauty shall consume in the grave from their dwelling.

- 15. But God will redeem my soul from the power of the
- grave: for he shall receive me. Selah.
- 16. Be not thou afraid when one is made rich, when the glory of his house is increased;
- 17. For when he dieth he shall carry nothing away:
 - his glory shall not descend after him.

 18. Though while he lived he blessed his soul: and *men* will praise thee, when thou doest well to thyself.
- 19. He shall go to the generation of
- his fathers;

they shall never see light.

- 20. Man that is in honour,
- and understandeth not, is like the beasts *that* perish.

PSALM 50

- 1. **The mighty God,** even the LORD, hath spoken, and
- called the earth from the rising of the sun unto the
- going down thereof.
- 2. Out of Zion, the perfection of beauty,

■ I God hath shined.

- 3. Our God shall come, and shall not keep silence: a fire shall devour before him, and it shall be very tempestuous round about him.
- 4. He shall call to the
- heavens from above,
- and to the earth, that he may judge his people.
- may judge his people.5. Gather my saints
 - together unto me: those
- that have made a covenant with me by sacrifice.
 - And the heavens shall declare his righteousness: for God *is* judge himself. Selah.
- 7. Hear, O my people, and I will speak; O Israel, and
- I will testify against thee: I
- am God, even thy God.
- 8. I will not reprove thee for thy sacrifices or thy burnt offerings, to have been continually before me.
 - I will take no bullock out of thy house, nor he goats out of thy folds.
- 10. For every beast of the forest is mine, and the
- cattle upon a thousand
- 11. I know all the fowls of the mountains:
- and the wild beasts
- are mine.
 - 12. If I were hungry, I would not tell thee: for
- the world *is* mine, and the
- fulness thereof.
- 13. Will I eat the flesh of
- bulls, or drink the blood of goats?
- 14. Offer unto God
- thanksgiving; and pay thy vows unto the most High:
- 15. And call upon me in the day of trouble:
- I will deliver thee, and thou shalt alorify me.
- shalt glorify me.

 16. But unto the wicked God
- saith, What hast thou to do to declare my statutes,
 - or that thou shouldest take my

covenant in thy mouth?

17. Seeing thou hatest ■ instruction, and casteth my words behind thee.

18. When thou sawest a

thief, then thou consentedst with him, and hast been partaker with adulterers.

19. Thou givest thy mouth to evil, and thy tongue frameth deceit. 20. Thou sittest and speakest against thy brother; thou slanderest

thine own mother's son. 21. These things hast thou done, and I kept silence;

thou thoughtest that I was altogether such an one as thyself:

= 1 but I will reprove thee, and set them in order before thine eyes.

22. Now consider this, ye that forget God, lest I tear

you in pieces, and there be none to deliver.

23. Whoso offereth praise glorifieth me: and to him that ordereth his conversation aright

will I shew the

salvation of God.

PSALM 51

1. Have mercy upon me,

O God, according to thy lovingkindness:

according unto the multitude of thy tender mercies blot out my

transgressions.

Wash me throughly from mine iniquity,

and cleanse me from my sin.

> 3. For I acknowledge my transgressions: and

my sin is ever before me.

4. Against thee, thee only,

have I sinned, and done

this evil in thy sight: that thou mightest be justified when thou speakest, and be clear when thou judgest.

5. Behold, I was shapen in iniquity, and in sin did my mother conceive me.

6. Behold, thou desirest truth in the inward parts:

and in the hidden part thou shalt make me to know wisdom.

7. Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean:

wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

> 8. Make me to hear joy and gladness; that the bones which thou hast broken may rejoice.

9. Hide thy face from my sins, and blot out all mine iniquities.

10. Create in me a clean heart. O God; and renew a right spirit within me.

11. Cast me not away from thy presence; and

take not thy holy spirit from me.

12. Restore unto me the iov of thy salvation; and uphold me with thy free spirit.

13 Then will I teach transgressors thy ways; and sinners shall be converted unto thee.

14. Deliver me from bloodguiltiness, O God, thou God

of my salvation: and my tongue shall sing aloud of thy righteousness.

15. O Lord, open thou my lips; and my mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

16. For thou desirest not sacrifice; else would I give it: thou delightest not in burnt offering.

17. The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit: a broken and a contrite

heart, O God, thou wilt not despise. 18. Do good in thy good pleasure unto Zion:

build thou the walls of Jerusalem.

19. **Then shalt thou** be pleased with the

sacrifices of righteousness,

> with burnt offering and whole burnt offering: then shall they offer bullocks upon thine altar.

- | 1. Why boastest thou
- thyself in mischief,
- O mighty man? the goodness of God endureth continually.
- 2. The tongue deviseth
- mischiefs; like a
- **sharp razor,** working deceitfully.
- 3. Thou lovest evil more than good;
- and lying rather than to speak righteousness. Selah.
- 4. Thou lovest all devouring words, O thou deceitful tongue.
- 5. God shall likewise
- destroy thee for ever, he shall take thee away, and pluck thee out of thy dwelling place.
- and root thee out of the
- land of the living. Selah.
- 6. The righteous also shall
 see, and fear, and shall
 laugh at him:
- 7. Lo, this is the man that
- made not God his strength;
- **but trusted in** the abundance of
- his riches, and strengthened himself in his wickedness.
- 8. But I am like a green olive
 tree in the house of God: I
 trust in the mercy of God
- trust in the mercy of God for ever and ever.
- 9. I will praise thee for ever, because thou hast done it:
 and I will
- wait on thy name; for it is good before thy saints.

PSALM 53

- 1. The fool hath said in his heart, *There is* no God.
- Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good.
- 2. God looked down from
- heaven upon the children of men,
- to see if there were any
- that did understand, that did seek God.
 - 3. Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy;
- | *there is* none that doeth
- good, no, not one.

- 4. Have the workers of iniquity no knowledge? who eat up my people as they eat bread: they have not called upon God.
- 5. There were they in great fear, where no fear was:
- for God hath
- scattered the bones of
- him that encampeth
- against thee: thou hast put them to shame, because God hath despised them.
- 6 Oh that the salvation of
- Israel *were come* out of
- Zion! When
- God bringeth back the
- captivity of his people, Jacob shall rejoice.
- and Israel shall be glad.

PSALM 54

- 1. Save me, O God, by thy name, and judge me by thy strength.
- 2. **Hear my prayer,** O God; give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3. For strangers are risen
- up against me, and oppressors seek after my soul: they have not set God before them. Selah.
- 4. Behold, God is
- mine helper: the Lord is with them that uphold my soul.
- 5. He shall reward evil
- unto mine enemies:
- 6. I will freely sacrifice
- unto thee: I will praise thy name, O LORD; for it is good.
- 7. For he hath delivered me out of all trouble:
- and mine eye hath seen *his*
- | desire upon mine enemies.

- 1 1. Give ear to my prayer,
- O God; and hide not thyself from my supplication.
- 2. Attend unto me, and hear me: I mourn in my complaint, and make a noise:
- Because of the voice of the enemy, because of the oppression of
- the wicked: for they cast iniquity

upon me, and in wrath they

- 4. My heart is sore pained within me: and the terrors
 of death are fallen
 upon me.
 - 5. Fearfulness and trembling are come upon me, and
- horror hathoverwhelmed me.
- 6. And I said, Oh that I had wings like a dove! for then
 - would I fly away, and be at rest.
 - 7. Lo, then would I wander far off, and remain in the wilderness. Selah.
- 8. I would hasten my escape from the windy storm and
- tempest.
 Destroy, O Lord, and
 divide their tongues:

for I have seen violence and strife in the city.

- 10. Day and night they go about it upon the walls thereof:
 mischief also and sorrow are in the midst of it.
 - 11. Wickedness *is* in the midst thereof: deceil and guile depart not from her streets.
- 12. For it was not an enemy that reproached me; then I could have borne it:
- neither was if he that hated me that did magnify himself
- against me; then I would have hid myself from him:

 13. But if was thou, a man
- mine equal, my guide,
 and mine acquaintance.
- 14. We took sweet counsel
- **together**, and walked unto the house of God in company.
- 15. Let death seize upon them, and let them go down quick
- into hell: for wickedness is in their dwellings, and among them.
- 16. As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.
 - 17. Evening, and morning,

- | and at noon, will I pray,
- **and** cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.
 - 18. He hath delivered my soul in peace from the battle *that was* against me; for there were many with me.
- 19. God shall hear, and afflict them, even he that abideth of old. Selah. Because they have no changes, therefore they fear not God.
- 20. He hath put forth his
- hands against such as be
 at peace with him: he hath broken
 his covenant.
- 21. The words of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war was in his heart: his words were setter than all yet were

words were softer than oil, yet were they drawn swords.

- 22. Cast thy burden upon ■ the LORD, and he shall
- **sustain thee:** he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved.
- 23. But thou, O God, shaltbring them down into the pit
- of destruction: bloody and deceitful men shall not live out half their days:
- but I will trust in thee.

- 1 1. Be merciful unto me, O
- God: for man would swallow me up; he fighting daily oppresseth me.
- 2. Mine enemies would daily swallow me up: to
 - daily swallow me up: for they be many that fight against me, O thou most High.
- 3. What time I am afraid, Iwill trust in thee.
 - 4. In God I will praise his word, in God I have put my trust;
- I will not fear what flesh can do unto me.
 - 5. Every day they wrest my words: all their thoughts *are* against me for evil.
 - 6. They gather themselves together, they hide themselves, they mark my steps, when they wait for my soul.
- 7. Shall they escape by
- iniquity? in *thine* anger cast down the people, O God.
- 8. Thou tellest my

- wanderings: put thou my tears into thy bottle: are they not in thy book?
- 9. When I cry unto thee, then shall mine enemies turn
 - back: this I know.
- for God is for me.
 - 10. In God will I praise his
- word: in the LORD will I praise his
- 11. In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me.
 - 12. Thy yows are upon me. O God: I will render praises unto thee.
- 13. For thou hast delivered my soul from death:
- Will not thou
- deliver my feet from
- falling, that I may walk before God
 - in the light of the living?

- 1. Be merciful unto me, O
 - God, be merciful unto me: for my soul trusteth in thee: yea,
- in the shadow of thy wings will I make my refuge, until these calamities be
- overpast.
 - 2. I will cry unto God most high; unto God that performeth all things for me.
 - 3. He shall send from heaven, and save me from the reproach of him that would swallow me up. Selah.
- God shall send forth his mercy and his truth.
- 4. My soul is among lions: and I lie even among them that are set on fire, even the sons of men, whose teeth are spears and arrows, and their tongue a sharp sword.
 - Be thou exalted.
- O God, above the heavens;
- | let thy glory be above all l the earth.
- 6. They have prepared a net for my steps; my soul is bowed down: they have digged a pit before me, into the midst whereof they are fallen themselves. Selah.
 - 7. My heart is fixed, O God,

- my heart is fixed:
- I will sing and
 - give praise.
 - Awake up, my glory; awake. psaltery and harp:

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- I myself will awake early.
 - 9. I will praise thee, O Lord, among the people:
- I will sing unto thee among the nations.
- 10. For thy mercy is great unto the heavens, and thy truth unto the clouds.
- 11. Be thou exalted, O God. above the heavens: let thy glory be above all the earth

PSALM 58

- 1. Do ye indeed speak
- righteousness, O
- congregation? do ve judge uprightly, O ye sons of men?
- 2. **Yea, in heart ye work**
- wickedness; ye weigh the violence of your hands in the earth.
 - The wicked are
- estranged from the womb: they go astray as soon as
- they be born, speaking lies.
- 4. Their poison is like the poison of a serpent:

they are like the deaf adder that stoppeth her ear;

- 5. Which will not hearken to the voice of charmers, charming never so wisely.
- Break their teeth, O God, in their mouth: break out the great teeth of the young lions, O LORD.
- Let them melt away as waters which run continually: when he bendeth his bow to shoot his arrows. let them be as cut in pieces.
- 8. As a snail which melteth, let every one of them pass away: like the untimely birth of a woman, that they may not see the sun.
 - 9. Before your pots can feel the thorns, he shall take them away as with a whirlwind, both living, and in his wrath.
- 10. The righteous shall rejoice when he seeth

I the vengeance; he shall

wash his feet in the

11. So that a man shall

say, Verily there is a

reward for the righteous:

verily he is a God that

|■| judgeth in the earth.

PSALM 59

Deliver me from mine enemies, O my God: defend me from them that rise up against me.

2. Deliver me from the workers of iniquity, and

save me from bloody men.3. For, lo, they lie in wait for

my soul: the mighty are gathered against me;

■ **not for** my transgression, nor for

my sin, Ó LORD.

4. They run and

prepare themselveswithout my fault:

awake to help me, and behold.

5. **Thou therefore, O LORD**God of hosts, the God of Israel,

■ awake to visit all

the heathen: be not merciful to any wicked

transgressors. Selah.
6. They return at evening:

6. They return at evening: they make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.

7. Behold, they belch out with their mouth: swords are in their lips: for who, say

they, doth hear?

8. **Bul thou, O LORD.**

shalt laugh at them;

■ thou shalt have all the

heathen in derision.9. Because of his strength will I wait

upon thee: for God is my defence.

10. The God of my mercy shall prevent me:

God shall let me see mydesire upon mine enemies.

11. Slay them not, lest my
 people forget: scatter them

by thy power;

and bring them down,

■ I O Lord our shield.

12. For the sin of their mouth and the words of their lips

let them even

be taken in their pride: and for cursing and lying which they speak.

13. Consume them in wrath, consume them, that they may not be:
 and let them know that God

and let them know that God
 ruleth in Jacob unto the ends of

■ the earth, Selah

14. And at evening let them return; and let them make a noise like a dog, and go round about the city.

15. Let them wander up and down for meat, and grudge if they

be not satisfied.

■ 16. But I will sing of

thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning; for

■ thou hast been my defence and refuge in the day of my trouble.

17. Unto thee, O my strength, will I sing: for God is my defence, and the God of my mercy.

PSALM 60

1. O God, thou hast cast us off.

thou hast scattered us, thou hast been

displeased; O turn thyself to us again.

2. Thou hast made the earth to tremble; thou hast broken it: heal the breaches

thereof; for it shaketh.

3. Thou hast shewed thy people hard things:

thou hast made us to drink

the wine of astonishment.4. Thou hast given a banner

to them that fear thee, that it may be displayed because

of the truth. Selah.

5. **That thy beloved may be**delivered; save with thy right

hand, and hear me.

6. God hath spoken in his

holiness; I will rejoice, I will divide Shechem, and mete

- out the valley of Succoth.
- 7 Gilead is mine.
- and Manasseh is mine: Ephraim also

is the strength of mine head;

- Judah is my lawgiver;
- Moab is my washpot;
- over Edom will I cast out my shoe: Philistia, triumph thou
- because of me.
 - 9. Who will bring me into the strong city? who will lead me into Edom?
 - 10. Wilt not thou. O God. which hadst cast us off? and thou. O God, which didst not go out with our armies?
- 11. Give us help from ■ trouble: for vain is the
- I help of man.
- 12. Through God we shall
- do valiantly: for he it is that
- shall tread down our enemies.

- PSALM 61 Hear my cry, O God;
- attend unto my prayer. 2. From the end of the earth
- will I cry unto thee, when my heart is overwhelmed: lead me to the rock that is higher than I.
 - 3. For thou hast been a shelter for me, and a strong tower from the enemy.
 - 4. I will abide in thy tabernacle for ever:
- I will trust in the covert of
- thy wings. Selah.
- 5. For thou, O God, hast
- heard my vows:

thou hast given me the heritage of those that fear thy name.

- 6. Thou wilt prolong the
- king's life: and his years as many generations.
- 7. He shall abide before
- God for ever: O prepare mercy and truth, which may preserve him. 8. So will I sing praise unto thy name for ever, that I may daily perform

my vows.

PSALM 62 |■| 1. Truly my soul waiteth

- upon God: from him cometh my salvation.
- 2. He only is my rock
- and my salvation; he is my defence;
 - I shall not be greatly
 - moved.
- How long will ye imagine mischief against a man?
- ve shall be slain

all of you: as a bowing wall shall ye be, and as a tottering fence.

- 4. They only consult to cast
- him down from his excellency: they delight in lies:
 - they bless with their mouth, but they curse inwardly. Selah.
- 5. My soul, wait thou
- only upon God: for my expectation is from him.
- 6. He only is my rock and my salvation: he is my defence;
- I shall not be moved.
- 7. In God is my salvation
- and my glory: the rock of my strength, and my refuge, is in God.
 - B. Trust in him at all times; ve people, pour out your heart before him:
- God is a refuge for us. Selah.
- Surely men of low degree are vanity, and men of high degree are a lie: to be laid in the balance, they
- are altogether lighter
- than vanity.
- 10. Trust not in oppression,
- and become not vain in
- robbery: if riches increase,
- set not your heart
- upon them.
- 11. God hath spoken once; twice have I heard this:
- that power belongeth
- - unto God.
- 12. Also unto thee, O Lord,
- belongeth mercy: for thou
- renderest to every man
- according to his work.

- 1. O God, thou art my God;
- early will I seek thee: my
 - soul thirsteth for thee.
- my flesh longeth for thee in

a dry and thirsty land,

where no water is:

2. To see thy power and thy glory, so as I have seen thee in the sanctuary.

■ 3. Because thy

lovingkindness is better than life, my lips shall praise thee.

4. Thus will I bless thee while I live:

I will lift up my handsin thy name.

■ 5. My soul shall

■ be satisfied

as with marrow and fatness:

and my mouth shall praise thee with joyful lips:

6. When I remember thee upon my bed,

and meditate on theein the night watches.

7. Because thou hastbeen my help,

therefore in the shadow of thy wings

will I rejoice.

8. My soul followeth hard after thee: thy right hand upholdeth me.

9. But those that seek my soul, to destroy it.

shall go into the lower

parts of the earth.

by the sword:

they shall be a portion for foxes.

11. But the king shall rejoice in God: every one that sweareth

by him shall glory: but the mouth of them that

speak lies shall be stopped.

PSALM 64

1. Hear my voice, O God, in my prayer:

preserve my life from fear of the enemy.

2. Hide me from the secret counsel of the

wicked; from the insurrection of the workers of iniquity:

3 Who whet their tonguelike a sword, and

bend their bows to

shoot their arrows, even

■ bitter words:

4. That they may shoot in secret at the perfect:

suddenly do they shoot at him.

and fear not.5. They encourage

themselves in an evil

matter: they commune of laying snares privily; they say, Who shall see them?

6. They search out iniquities; they accomplish a diligent search: both the inward *thought* of every one *of them*, and the heart, *is* deep.

7. But God shall shoot
 at them with an arrow;
 suddenly shall they

suddenly shall they be wounded.

8. So they shall make their own tongue to fall upon themselves: all that see them shall flee away.

9. And all men shall fear,
 and shall declare the work
 of God: for they shall wisely

of God; for they shall wisely consider of his doing.

10. The righteous shall be glad in the LORD, and shall trust in him; and all the

upright in heart shall glory.

PSALM 65

1. Praise waiteth for thee,

O God, in Sion: and unto thee shall the vow be performed.

2. O thou that hearest prayer, unto thee shall
 all flesh come.

3. Iniquities prevail
against me: as for our

transgressions, thou shalt purge them away.

Shall purge them away.

 Blessed is the man whom

thou choosest, and causest to approach unto

■ *thee*, that he may dwell in thy courts:

we shall be satisfied with the goodness of thy house, even of

■ thy holy temple.

5. By terrible things in righteousness will thou

answer us, O God of our salvation: who art the

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- confidence of all the ends of the earth, and of them that are afar off upon the sea:
- 6. Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains;
 being girded with power:
- 7. Which stilleth the noise of the seas,

the noise of their waves,

- **and** the tumult of the people.
 - 8. They also that dwell in the uttermost parts are afraid at thy tokens: thou
- makest the outgoings of the morning and evening to rejoice.
- 9. Thou visitest the earth, and waterest it:

thou greatly enrichest it with the river of God, which is full of water:

- thou preparest them corn, when thou hast so provided for it.
 - 10. Thou waterest the ridges thereof abundantly: thou settlest the furrows thereof: thou makest it soft with showers: thou blessest the springing thereof.
- 11. Thou crownest the year with thy goodness;

and thy paths drop fatness.

- 12. They drop *upon* the pastures of the wilderness: and the little hills rejoice on every side.
- 13. The pastures are clothed with flocks: the
- valleys also are
- covered over
- with corn; they shout for
- iov, they also sing.

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- 1. Make a joyful noise unto ■ God, all ye lands:
 - 2. Sing forth the honour of his name: make his praise glorious.
- 3. Say unto God, How
 - terrible *art thou in* thy
- works! through the greatness of
- thy power shall
- thine enemies submit
 - unto thee.
 - 4. All the earth shall

- | worship thee,
- and shall
- sing unto thee;
- they shall sing to thy name, Selah.

 5. Come and see the works
- of God: he is terrible in his doing toward the children of men.
- 6. He turned the sea into
- dry *land:* they went through the flood on foot:

there did we rejoice in him.

- 7. He ruleth by his power for ever;
- his eyes behold the nations: let not the
 - rebellious exalt
- themselves. Selah.
 - 8. O bless our God, ye people, and make the voice of his praise to be heard:
- 9. Which holdeth
- Our soul in life, and suffereth not our feet to be moved.
- 10. For thou, O God,
- hast proved us: thou
 hast tried us, as silver
 is tried
 - 11. Thou broughtest us into the net;
- thou laidst affliction upon our loins.
- 12. Thou hast caused men
- to ride over our heads; we went through fire and through
- water: but thou broughtest us out into a wealthy place.
 - 13. I will go into thy house with burnt offerings:
 - I will pay thee my vows,
 - 14. Which my lips have uttered, and my mouth hath spoken, when I was in trouble.
 - 15. I will offer unto thee
- burnt sacrifices of fatlings, with the incense of rams; I will offer bullocks with goats. Selah.
- 16. Come and hear, all ye that fear God, and I will
- declare what he hath done for my soul.
- 17. Í cried unto him with my mouth.
- and he was extolled with my tongue.
- 18. If I regard iniquity

- in my heart, the Lord will not hear me:
- 19. But verily God
 hath heard me: he hath
- attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 20. Blessed be God, which
- hath not turned away my prayer, nor
- his mercy from me.

- 1. God be merciful unto us, and bless us:
- and cause his face
- to shine upon us; Selah.
- 2. That thy way may be known

upon earth, thy saving health

- among all nations.
- 3. Let the people
- praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
- 4. O let the nations be glad and sing for joy:
- for thou shalt judge the
 - **people** righteously,
- and govern the nations upon earth. Selah.
 - 5. Let the people praise thee, O God; let all the people praise thee.
- 6. Then shall the earth yield her increase; and God,
 even our own God
- shall bless us.
- God shall bless us;
- and all the ends of the
- earth shall fear him.

PSALM 68

- 1. Let God arise, let his enemies be scattered: let them also that hate him
 - I flee before him.
 - As smoke is driven away, so drive them away:
- as wax melteth before
- the fire, so let the wicked
 perish at the presence
- of God.
- 3. But let the righteous be glad; let them
- rejoice before God: yea, let them exceedingly rejoice.

- 4 Sing unto God,
 - sing praises to his name:
 - extol him
- that rideth upon the heavens by his name JAH.
 - by his name JAH, and rejoice before him.
- and rejoice before him.
 A father of the fatherless,
 and a judge of the widows,
- is God in his holy habitation.

 6. God setteth the solitary in families: he bringeth out
- those which are bound with chains: but the rebellious
- dwell in a dry *land.*
- thou wentest forthbefore thy people,

when thou didst march through the wilderness: Selah:

- 8. The earth shook, the heavens also dropped at the presence of God:
 even Singi itself wa
 - even Sinai itself was moved at the presence of God, the God of Israel
 - 9. Thou, O God.

- didst send a plentiful rain, whereby thou didst confirm thine inheritance, when it was weary.
 - 10. Thy congregation hath dwelt therein:
- thou, O God, hast
- prepared of thy goodness for the goodnes
- thy goodness for the poor.

 11. The Lord gave the word:
 great was the company of
 those that published it.
 - 12. Kings of armies did flee apace: and she that tarried at home divided the spoil.
 - 13. Though ye have lien among the pots, *yet shall ye be as* the wings of a dove covered with silver, and her feathers with yellow gold.
 - 14. When the Almighty scattered kings in it, it was white as snow in Salmon.
 - 15. The hill of God is as the hill of Bashan; an high hill as the hill of Bashan.
 - 16. Why leap ye, ye high hills? this is the hill which God desireth to dwell in; yea, the LORD will dwell in it for ever.

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- 1 17. The chariots of God are twenty thousand, even
- thousands of angels: the
- Lord is among them, as in Sinai,

■ in the holy *place*.

- 18. Thou hast ascended on
- high, thou hast led
- captivity captive:

thou hast received gifts for men; yea, for the rebellious also,

- that the LORD
- God might dwell
- among them.
- 19. Blessed be the Lord, who daily loadeth us with
- **benefits**, even the God of our salvation. Selah.
- 20. **He** that is our God
- is the God of salvation; and unto GOD the Lord belong the issues from death
- 21. But God shall wound the head of
- his enemies, and the hairy scalp of such an one as goeth on still in his trespasses.
- 22. **The Lord said,** I will bring again from Bashan,
- I will bring my people
 again from the depths
 of the sea:
- 23. That thy foot may be dipped in the blood of
- thine enemies, and the tongue of thy dogs in the same.
- 24. They have seen thy
- goings, O God; even the goings of my God, my King, in the sanctuary.
- 25. The singers went before, the players on
- instruments followed after;
- among them were the
- damsels playing with
- 26. Bless ye
- God in the congregations, even the Lord.
- from the fountain of Israel.

27. There is little Benjamin with their ruler, the princes of Judah and their council, the princes of Zebulun, and the princes of Naphtali. 28. Thy God hath commanded thy strength:

- ı | strengthen, O God,
- that which thou
- hast wrought for us.
 - 29. Because of thy temple at Jerusalem shall kings bring presents unto thee.
 - 30. Rebuke
 - the company of spearmen,
- the multitude of the bulls, with the calves of the people,
- | *till every one* submit
- himself with pieces of
- silver: scatter thou the people that
- delight in war.
- 31. Princes shall come out
- of Egypt; Ethiopia shall soon stretch out her hands unto God.
- 32. Sing unto God,
- ye kingdoms of the earth;

 O sing praises
- unto the Lord; Selah:
- 33. To him that rideth
- upon the heavens
- of heavens, which were of old; lo, he doth send out his voice,
 - and that a mighty voice.

 34. Ascribe ye strength unto God:
- his excellency is
- over Israel, and his strength is in the clouds.
 35. O God, thou art terrible out of thy holy places: the
- God of Israel is he that
- giveth strength and
- power unto his people.
- Blessed be God.

- 1 Save me, O God;
 - for the waters are come in unto my soul.
- 2. I sink in deep mire, where there is no standing:
- I am come into
- deep waters,
 - where the floods overflow me.
- 3. I am weary of my crying: my throat is dried:
- |■| mine eyes fail while l

wait for my God.

4. They that hate me without a cause are more than the

hairs of mine head: they that would destroy me, being mine enemies wrongfully, are mighty; then I restored that which I took not away.

5. O God.

thou knowest my foolishness: and my sins are not hid from thee.

6 Let not them that wait

on thee, O Lord GOD of hosts.

be ashamed for my sake:

let not those that seek thee be confounded for my sake, O God of Israel,

7. Because for thy sake I have borne reproach: shame hath covered my face.

8. I am become

a stranger unto my

brethren, and an alien unto my mother's children.

9. For the zeal of thine house hath eaten me up:

and the reproaches

of them

that reproached thee

are fallen upon me.

10. When I wept, and chastened my soul with fasting, that was to my reproach.

11. I made sackcloth also my garment; and

I became a proverb to them.

12. They that sit in the gate speak against me:

and I was the song of the drunkards.

13. But as for me.

my prayer is unto thee, O LORD,

in an acceptable time: O God.

in the multitude of thy mercy hear me.

in the truth of thy salvation.

14. Deliver me out of the

mire, and let me not sink: let me be delivered

from them that hate me, and

out of the deep waters.

15. Let not the waterflood overflow

me, neither let the deep swallow me up, and let not the pit shut her mouth upon me.

16. Hear me. O LORD; for thy lovingkindness *is* good: turn unto me according to the multitude of thy tender mercies.

17. And hide not thy face from thy servant:

for I am in trouble:

hear me speedily.

18. Draw nigh unto my soul, and redeem it: deliver me

because of mine enemies.

19. Thou hast known my

reproach, and my

shame, and my dishonour: mine adversaries are all before thee.

20. Reproach hath broken

my heart; and I am full of heaviness: and

I looked for some to

take pity, but there was none; and for comforters.

but I found none.

21. They gave me also

aall for my

meat; and

in my thirst they gave me

vinegar to drink.

22. Let their table become a snare before them:

and that which should have been for their welfare, let it become

a trap.

23. Let their eyes be

darkened, that they see not: and make their loins

continually to

shake.

24. Pour out thine

indignation upon them, and let thy wrathful anger take hold of them.

25. Let their habitation be desolate:

and let none dwell in their tents.

26. For they persecute him whom thou hast smitten; and they talk to the grief of

those whom thou hast wounded.

27. Add iniquity unto

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their iniquity: and

let them not come

into thy righteousness.

- 28. Let them be blotted out of the book of the living.
 - and not be written with the righteous. 29. But I am poor and sorrowful:

let thy salvation, O God, set me up on high.

30. I will praise

the name of God with a song.

and will

magnify him with

thanksgiving.

- 31. This also shall please the LORD better than an ox or bullock that hath horns and hoofs.
- 32. The humble shall see this.
- and be glad: and your heart shall live that
- seek God.
- 33. For the LORD heareth the poor, and despiseth
- not his prisoners.
- 34. Let the heaven and earth
- **praise him.** the seas, and every thing that moveth therein.
- 35. For God will save Zion. and will build the cities of Judah: that they may dwell there. and have it in possession.
 - 36. The seed also of his servants shall inherit it:
- and they that love his name shall dwell therein.

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■ 1 1. MAKE haste, O GOD,

to deliver me;

make haste to help me.

O LORD

2. Let them be ashamed and confounded

that seek after

my soul: let them be turned backward, and put to confusion, that desire my hurt.

■ 3. Let them be turned

back for a reward of their

■ shame that say, Aha, aha.

4. **Let** all

those that seek thee rejoice

and be glad in thee; and let such as

love thy salvation say continually. Let God be magnified.

5. But I am poor and needy: make haste unto me, O God: thou art my help and my deliverer: O LORD, make no tarrying.

- 1. In thee, O LORD,
- do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.
- Deliver me in thy
- righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me. and save me.
- 3. Be thou my strong
- habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me;
- for thou art my rock and my
 - fortress.
- 4. Deliver me, O my God,
- out of the hand of the
- wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.
- For thou art my hope, O Lord GOD:
- thou art my trust from my youth.
 - 6. By thee have I been holden up from the womb:
- thou art he that
- took me out of my mother's
- bowels: my praise shall be continually
- of thee.
 - 7. I am as a wonder unto many; but thou art my strong refuge.
 - 8. Let my mouth be filled with thy praise and with thy honour all the day.
- 9. Cast me not off in the time of old age: forsake me not when my strength faileth.
- 10. For mine enemies
- speak against me; and they that
- lay wait for my soul take counsel together,
- 11. Saying, God hath
- forsaken him:
 - persecute and take him; for
- there is none to deliver him.
 - 12. O God, be not far from me: O my God, make haste for my help.

13 Let them be confounded and consumed that are adversaries to my soul; let them be covered with reproach and dishonour

that seek my hurt.

14. But I will

hope continually, and will yet

praise thee more and more.

15. My mouth shall shew

forth thy righteousness and thy salvation all the day; for I

know not the numbers thereof. 16. I will go in the strength

of the Lord GOD: I will make mention of thy righteousness, even of thine only.

17. O God, thou hast taught me from my youth: and hitherto have I declared thy wondrous works.

18 Now also

when I am old

and greyheaded, O God. forsake me not; until l

have shewed thy strength unto this generation, and

■ thy power to every one that is to come.

> 19. Thy righteousness also, O God, is very high, who hast done great things: O God, who is like unto thee!

20. Thou, which hast

shewed me great and

sore troubles, shalt quicken me again, and shalt

bring me up again

from the depths of the earth.

21 Thou shalt increase my greatness.

and comfort me on every side. 22. I will also praise thee with the psaltery, even thy truth, O my God: unto thee will I sing with the harp.

O thou Holy One of Israel. 23. My lips shall greatly

rejoice when I sing unto thee;

and my soul, which thou hast redeemed.

24. My tongue also

shall talk of thy

righteousness all the day long:

for they are confounded,

for they are brought unto shame. ■ that seek my hurt.

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1. Give the king thy judgments, O God,

and the

righteousness unto

the king's son.

2. He shall judge thy people

with righteousness, and thy poor with judgment.

3. The mountains shall bring peace to the people, and the little hills, by

righteousness. 4. He shall judge the poor of the people, he shall

SQVE the children of

the needy, and shall

break in pieces

the oppressor.

> They shall fear thee as long. as the sun and moon endure. throughout all generations.

6. He shall come down like rain upon the mown grass:

as showers that water the earth.

7. In his days shall the riahteous flourish:

and abundance of peace so long as the moon endureth.

He shall have dominion also from sea to sea, and from the river unto the ends of the earth.

9. They that dwell in the wilderness shall bow before him:

and his enemies

shall lick the dust.

10. **The kinas**

of Tarshish and of the isles

shall bring presents: the kings of Sheba and Seba shall offer gifts.

11. Yea, all kings shall fall down before him: all nations shall serve him

12. For he shall deliver the

needy when he crieth;

the poor also.

and him that hath

no helper.

13. He shall spare the poor

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and needy, and shall save the souls of the needy.

- 14. He shall redeem their
- soul from deceit and violence:
 and precious shall their
- and precious shall their
 blood be in his sight.
 15 And he shall live, and
 - 15. And he shall live, and to him shall be given of the gold of Sheba:
- prayer also
- shall be made for him continually; and daily shall he be praised.
 - 16. There shall be an handful of corn in the earth upon the top of the mountains; the fruit thereof shall shake like Lebanon: and they of the city shall flourish like grass of the earth.
- 17. His name shall
- endure for ever: his name shall be continued as long as the sun:
- and *men* shall be blessed in him:
- all nations shall call him blessed.
- 18. Blessed be the LORD God, the God of Israel.
- who only doeth wondrous things.
- wondrous fnings
 19. And blessed
- **be his** glorious
- name for ever: and
- let the whole earth be filled with his glory; Amen,

and Amen.
20. The prayers of David the son of Jesse are ended.

PSALM 73

1. Truly God is good to Israel, even

to such as are of a clean heart.

■ 2. But as for me,

my feet were almost gone;
my steps had

well nigh slipped.

- 3. For I was envious at the foolish, when I saw the prosperity
 of the wicked.
 - 4. For *there are* no bands in their death: but their strength *is* firm.
 - 1 5. They *are* not in trouble

as other men:

- neither are they plagued
- like *other* men.
- 6. **Therefore pride** compasseth them about as a chain; violence
- covereth them as a garment.
 7. Their eyes stand out with fatness:
- they have more than
- heart could wish.
- 8. They are corrupt, and speak wickedly concerning oppression: they
- speak loffily.

9. They set their mouthagainst the heavens,

and their tongue walketh through the earth.

- Therefore his people return hither: and waters of a full cup are wrung out to them.
- 11. And they say, How doth
- God know? and is there knowledge in the most High?
- 12. Behold, these are the ungodly, who prosper
- in the world; they increase in riches.

 13. Verily I have cleansed
- my heart in vain, and washed my hands in innocency.
- 14. For all the day long
 have I been plagued, and
 chastened every morning.
- 15. **If I** say, I will
- speak thus; behold, I should
 offend against the generation of
 thy children.
- 16. When I thought to know this, it was too painful for me;
- 17. Until I went into the
 sanctuary of God; then
 understood I their end.
- 18. **Surely** thou didst set them in slippery places:
- thou castedst them down into destruction.
 - 19. How are they brought into desolation, as in a moment!
- they are utterly consumed with terrors.
 - 20. As a dream when *one* awaketh; so, O Lord, when thou awakest, thou shalt despise their image.
- 21. Thus my heart was

- grieved, and I was pricked in my reins.
- 22. So foolish was I, and ignorant: I was as a beast before thee.
- 23. **Nevertheless**
- thou hast holden *me* by my right hand.
- 24. Thou shalt guide me with thy counsel, and afterward
- receive me to glory.
- 25. Whom have I in heaven
- and there is none upon
- | earth that I desire
- beside thee.
- 26. My flesh and my heart
- faileth: but God is the strength of my heart, and
- my portion for ever.
- 27. **For**, lo.
- they that are far from thee
- shall perish: thou hast destroyed all them that go a whoring from thee.
 - 28. But it is good for me to draw near to God:
- I have put my trust in the
- Lord GOD,
- that I may declare
- all thy works.

- 1. **O God,** why
- hast thou cast us off for
- **ever?** why doth thine anger smoke against the sheep of thy pasture?
- 2. Remember thy
- congregation, which thou hast purchased
- of old; the rod of thine inheritance.
- which thou hast redeemed:

this mount Zion, wherein thou hast dwelt.

- 3. Lift up thy feet
- unto the perpetual
- desolations; even all
- that the enemy hath donewickedly in the sanctuary.
 - 4. Thine enemies roar in the midst of thy congregations; they
- set up their ensigns
- for signs.

- 5. A man was famous according as he had lifted up axes upon the thick trees.
- 6. But now they break down the carved work thereof at once with axes and hammers.
- 7. They have
- cast fire into thy sanctuary, they have defiled
 - by casting down
- the dwelling place
- of thy name to the ground.
 - 8. **They said** in their hearts,
- Let us destroy them together:
- they have

- burned up
 - all the synagogues of God in the land.
 - We see not our signs:
- | there is no more any
 - **prophet:** neither is there among us any that knoweth how long.
 - 10. O God, how long shall the adversary
 - reproach? shall the enemy
 - blaspheme thy name for ever?
- 11. Why withdrawest thouthy hand, even thy right hand?
 - pluck it out of thy bosom. 12. **For God is** my King of old,
- working salvation in the
 midst of the earth.
 13. Thou didst divide
 - 13. Thou didst divide the sea by thy strength: thou brakest the heads of the dragons in the waters.
- 14. Thou brakest the heads
- of leviathan in pieces,
- and gavest him to bemeat to the people
- inhabiting the wilderness.

 15. Thou didst cleave the
 - fountain and the flood: thou driedst up mighty rivers.
 - 16. **The day is thine**, the night also is thine:
 - thou hast
- prepared the light and
- the sun.
- 17. **Thou** hast
 - set all
- the borders of the earth:

thou hast made summer and winter.

18. Remember this, that the enemy hath reproached, O LORD, and that the

- foolish people have blasphemed thy name.
- 19. O deliver not the soul of thy turtledove unto the multitude of

- the wicked: forget not the congregation of thy poor for ever. 20. Have respect unto the covenant: for the dark places of the earth are full of the habitations of cruelty.
- 21. O let not the oppressed ■ | return ashamed: lef the
- poor and needy praise ■ I thy name.

- 22. Arise. O God. plead thine own cause:
- remember how
- I the foolish man
- reproacheth thee daily.
- 23. Forget not the voice of thine enemies: the tumult of
- those that rise up against thee
- increaseth continually.

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1. Unto thee, O God, do we give thanks.

unto thee do we give thanks:

- for that thy name is near
- thy wondrous works declare.
- 2. When I shall
- receive the congregation I will judge uprightly.
 - 3. The earth and all the inhabitants thereof are dissolved: I bear up the pillars of it. Selah.
- 4. I said unto the fools. Deal not foolishly:

and to

- the wicked, Lift not up the horn: 5. Lift not up your horn on high:
- speak *not with* a stiff neck.
- 6. For promotion cometh
- neither from the east.

nor from the

- west, nor from
 - the south.
- 7. **But God** is the judge: he

putteth down one, and setteth up another.

- 8. For in the hand of the LORD there is a cup, and the wine is red; it is full of mixture; and he poureth out of the same: but the dregs thereof, all the wicked of the earth shall wring them out and drink them.
- But I will declare for ever: I will.
- sing praises to the
- God of Jacob.
 - All the horns of the wicked also will I cut off; but the horns of the righteous shall be exalted.

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- In Judah is God known:
- his name is great in Israel.
- 2. In Salem also
 - is his tabernacle.
- and his dwelling place
- in Zion.
 - 3. There brake he the arrows of the bow, the shield, and the sword, and the battle. Selah.
 - 4. Thou art more
 - glorious and excellent

than the mountains of prey.

- 5. The stout-hearted are spoiled, they have slept their sleep; and none of the men of might have found their hands.
- At thy rebuke,
 - O God of Jacob, both
- the chariot and horse are
- cast into a dead sleep.
 - 7. **Thou,** even thou,
- art to be feared: and who
- may stand in thy sight
- when once
- thou art angry?
- Thou didst
- ď cause judgment to be heard
- from heaven; the earth
- feared, and was still,
- When God arose to
- judgment, to save all
- the meek of the earth. Selah.
- 10. Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the
 - remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain.
- 11. Vow, and pay unto
- the LORD your God:
- let all that be round

■ about him bring presents unto him that ought to be feared. 12. He shall cut off the spirit of princes: he is terrible to the kings of the earth.

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- 1. I cried unto God with my voice, even unto God with my voice;
- and he gave ear unto me.
- 2. In the day of
 - my trouble I sought the
- Lord: my sore ran in the night. and ceased not:
- my soul refused
- to be comforted. I remembered God.
 - and was troubled: I complained.
- and my spirit was overwhelmed. Selah.
- 4. Thou holdest mine eyes waking:
- I am so troubled that
- I cannot speak.
 - 5. I have considered the days of old. the years of ancient times.
 - 6. I call to remembrance my song in the night:
- I commune with mine own heart: and my spirit made
- diligent search.
 - 7. Will the Lord
 - cast off for ever? and will he
- be favourable no more?
- 8. Is his mercy clean
- gone for ever? doth his
- promise fail for evermore?
- 9. Hath God forgotten to be gracious? hath he in anger
 - shut up his tender
- mercies? Selah.
 - 10. And I said, This is my infirmity: but I will remember the years of the right hand of the most High.
- 11. I will remember the works of the LORD: surely I will remember thy wonders of old.
 - 12. I will meditate also of all thy work,
- and talk of thy doings.
- 13. Thy way, O God.
- is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God
- as our God?
 - 14. Thou art the God that

- doest wonders: thou hast
- declared thy strength amona the people.
 - 15. Thou hast with thine arm
- redeemed thy people, the sons of Jacob and Joseph. Selah.
- 16. The waters saw thee.
 - O God, the waters saw thee: they were afraid:
 - the depths also were troubled.
- 17. The clouds poured out
 - water: the skies sent out a sound: thine arrows also went abroad.
 - 18. The voice of thy
- thunder was in
- the heaven: the
- lightnings lightened
- the world:

- the earth trembled and shook.
- 19. Thy way is in the sea, and thy path in the great waters, and thy footsteps
- are not known.
- 20. Thou leddest thy people like a flock
- by the hand of Moses
- and Aaron.

- 1. Give ear, O my people, to my law: incline your ears
 - to the words of my mouth.
- 2. I will open my mouth
 - in a parable: I will utter dark sayings of old:
- 3. Which we have
- heard and known.
 - and our fathers have told us.
 - 4 We will not hide them from their children.
- shewing to the
- generation to come the praises of the LORD,
 - and his strength,
- and his wonderful works that he hath done.
- For he established
- a testimony
 - in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel, which he commanded our fathers.
- that they should make
- them known to their children:

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■ 6. That the generation to come might know them,

even the children which should be born; who should arise and declare them to their children:

- 7. That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:
- 8. And might not be as their
 fathers, a stubborn and
 rebellious generation;

a generation that set not their heart aright, and whose spirit was not stedfast with God.

- 9. The children of Ephraim, being armed, and carrying bows,
- turned back in the day of battle.
- 10. They kept not the covenant of God.

and refused to walk in his law;

- 11. And forgat his works, and his wonders that he had shewed them.
- 12. Marvellous things did ■ he in the sight of their

fathers, in the land of

Egypt, in the field of Zoan.

- 13. He divided the sea, and caused them to
- pass through; and he made the waters to stand as an heap.
 - 14. In the daytime also
- he led them with
- a cloud, and all the night with
 - fire

- 15. He clave the rocks in the wilderness, and gave them drink as out of the great depths.
- 16. He brought streams also out of the rock, and caused waters to run down like rivers.
- 17. And they sinned yet more against him by provoking the most High in the wilderness.
 - 18. And they tempted God in their heart
- by asking meat for their lust.
- 19. Yea, they spake against God: they said. Can God furnish a

God; they said, Can God furnish a table in the wilderness?

20. Behold, he smote the rock, that the waters gushed out, and the streams overflowed; can he give bread also? can he provide flesh for his people?

21. Therefore the LORDheard this, and was wroth:

so a fire was kindled against Jacob, and anger also came up against Israel;

- 22. Because they believed not in God, and trusted not in his salvation:
- 23. **Though he** had commanded the clouds from above, and
 - opened the doors
- of heaven,
- 24. **And** had
- rained down
- manna upon them to eat, and had given them of the corn of heaven.
- 25. Man did eat angels'
 - food: he sent them meat to the full.
 26. He caused an east wind to blow in the heaven: and by his power he brought in the south wind.
- 27. He rained flesh also
 upon them as dust, and feathered fowls like as the sand of the sea:

28. And he let it fall in the midst of their camp, round

- about their habitations. 29. So they did eat,
- and were well filled:

 for he gave them their own
- desire;
 30. They were not estranged from their lust.
- But while their meat was yet in their mouths.
- 31. The wrath of God came upon them, and slew the
- fattest of them, and
- the chosen *men* of Israel.
- 32. **For** all this
- they sinned still, and
- believed not for
- his wondrous works.
 - 33. Therefore their days did he consume in vanity, and their years in trouble.
- 34. When he slew them,

46. He gave

also their increase unto

their labour unto the

the caterpiller, and

then they sought him; and they returned and inquired early after God. 35. And they remembered that God was their rock, and the high God their redeemer. 36. **Nevertheless** they did flatter him with their mouth, and they lied unto him with their tongues. 37 For their heart was not right with him, neither were they stedfast in his covenant. 38. But he, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and destroyed them not: yea, many a time turned he his anger away, and did not stir up all his wrath. 39. For he remembered that they were but flesh; a wind that passeth away. and cometh not again. 40. How off did they provoke him in the wilderness. and grieve him in the desert! 41. Yea, they turned back and tempted God, and limited the Holy One of Israel. 42. They remembered not his hand, nor the day when he delivered them from the enemy. 43. How he had wrought his signs in Egypt. and his wonders in the field of Zoan. 44. **And** had turned their rivers into blood; and their floods, that they could not drink. 45. He sent divers sorts of flies among them. which devoured them;

locust. 47. He destroyed their vines with hail, and their sycomore trees with frost. 48. He gave up their cattle also to the hail, and their flocks to hot thunderbolts. 49. **He cast upon them the** fierceness of his anger. wrath, and indignation, and trouble, by sending evil angels among them. 50. He made a way to his anger; he spared not their soul from death, but gave their life over to the pestilence; 51. And smote all the firstborn in Egypt; the chief of their strength in the tabernacles of Ham: 52. **But made his** own people to ao forth like sheep, and guided them in the wilderness like a flock. 53. And he led them on safely. SO that they feared not: but the sea overwhelmed their enemies. 54. And he brought them to the border of his sanctuary, even to this mountain, which his right hand had purchased. 55. He cast out the heathen also before them, and divided them an inheritance by line. and made the tribes of Israel to dwell in their tents. 56. Yet they tempted and provoked the most high God, and kept not his testimonies: 57. But turned back, and dealt unfaithfully like their fathers: they were turned aside like a deceitful bow. 58. For they provoked him and frogs, which destroyed them. with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven images. 59. When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

60. **SO** that he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh.

the tent which he placed among men;

61. And delivered his

strength into captivity,

and his

glory into the enemy's hand.

62. He gave his people over also unto the sword; and

was wroth with

his inheritance.

63. The fire consumed their

young men; and their maidens were not given to marriage.

64. Their priests fell by the sword: and their widows made no lamentation.

65. Then the LORD awaked as one out of sleep.

and like a mighty man that shouteth by reason of wine.

66. And he smote his

enemies in the hinder parts: he put them to a perpetual reproach.

67. Moreover he refused the tabernacle of Joseph, and

chose not the tribe

of Ephraim:

68. But chose the tribe of

Judah, the mount Zion which he loved.

69. And he built

his sanctuary like high palaces, like the earth which he hath established for ever. 70. He chose David

also his servant, and took him

from the sheepfolds:

71. From following the ewes great with young

he brought him to feed Jacob his people.

and Israel his inheritance.

72. So he fed them according to the integrity of his heart;

and guided them by the skilfulness of

■l his hands.

PSALM 79

|■| 1. O god, the heathen are

come into thine

inheritance: thy holy temple have they defiled; they have laid Jerusalem on heaps.

2. The dead bodies of thy servants have they given to be meat unto the fowls of the heaven, the flesh of thy saints unto the beasts of the earth.

3. Their blood have they shed like water round about Jerusalem: and there was none to bury them.

We are become

a reproach to our

neighbours. a scorn and derision to them that are round about us

5. How long, LORD? wilt thou be angry for ever? shall thy jealousy burn like fire?

6. Pour out thy wrath upon the heathen that have not known thee, and upon the

kingdoms that have not called upon thy name.

For they have devoured Jacob. and laid waste his dwelling place.

8. O remember not against us former iniquifies: let thy tender mercies speedily prevent us: for we are brought very low.

Help us, O God of our salvation, for the glory of thy name: and deliver us, and

purge away our sins, for thy name's sake.

10. Wherefore should the heathen say, Where is their

God? let him be known among the heathen in our sight

by the revenging of the blood of thy servants

which is shed.

11. Let the sighing of the prisoner come before thee; according to the greatness of thy power

preserve thou

those that are

appointed to die:

12. And render unto

our neighbours sevenfold into their bosom

their reproach, wherewith

they have reproached thee. O Lord.

- 13. So we thy people and sheep of thy pasture
- | will give thee thanks for
- **ever:** we will shew forth thy praise to all generations.

- 1. Give ear, O Shepherd of Israel, thou
- that leadest Joseph
- like a flock: thou that dwellest between the cherubims, shine forth. 2. Before Ephraim and Benjamin and Manasseh stir up thy strength, and come and save us.
- Turn us again. O God. and cause thy face to shine;
- and we shall be saved.
- 4. O LORD God of hosts.
- how long wilt thou be anary against the prayer of thy people?
- 5. Thou feedest them with the bread of tears; and givest them tears to drink in great measure.
 - 6. Thou makest us a
- strife unto our neighbours; and our enemies

laugh among themselves.

- 7. Turn us again, O God of hosts, and cause thy face to shine; and we shall be saved.
- 8. Thou hast brought a vine out of Egypt: thou hast cast out the heathen. and planted it.
- 9. **Thou** preparedst room before it, and
- didst cause it to take deep root, and it filled the land.
 - 10. The hills were covered with the shadow of it, and the boughs thereof were like the goodly cedars.
 - 11. She sent out her boughs unto the sea, and her branches unto the river.
- 12. Why hast thou then
- broken down
- her hedges, so that all they which pass by the way do pluck her?
 - 13. The boar out of the wood doth waste it, and the wild beast of the field doth devour it.
- 14. Return, we beseech thee.
 - O God of hosts:

- look down from heaven. and behold.
- and visit this vine:
- 15. And the vinevard which thy right hand hath planted, and the branch that thou madest strong for thyself.
 - 16. It
- is burned with fire, it is cut down:
- they perish at the rebuke of thy countenance.
- 17. Let thy hand be upon the
 - man of thy right hand, upon the son of man
 - whom thou madest
- strong for thyself.
 - 18. So will not we go back from thee: quicken us, and
 - we will call upon thy name. 19. Turn us again, O LORD
 - God of hosts.
- cause thy face to shine: and we shall be saved.

PSALM 81

- 1. Sing aloud
- unto God our strength:
 - make a joyful noise
 - unto the God of Jacob.
 - 2. Take a psalm, and
- **bring** hither
- the timbrel, the pleasant harp
- with the psaltery.
- 3. Blow up
- the trumpet in the new moon. in the time appointed, on our solemn
 - feast day.
 - 4. For this was
 - a statute for Israel, and
- a law of the
- God of Jacob.
- 5. This he ordained in Joseph
- for a testimony, when he
 - went out
- through the land of
- **Egypt**: where I heard a language that Lunderstood not
 - I removed his shoulder from the burden: his hands were delivered from the pots.
 - Thou calledst in trouble, and I delivered thee: I answered thee in the secret place of thunder: I proved thee

at the waters of Meribah. Selah.

8. Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel,

■ | will testify unto thee: ■ if thou wilt hearken

unto me:

9. There shall no strange
 god be in thee; neither shalt
 thou worship any strange god.

10. I am the LORD thy God,
 which brought thee out of the land of

■ Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.

11. But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would none of me.

12. So I gave them up unto their own hearts'

[ust: and they walked in

lust: and they walked in their own counsels.

13. Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, and
 Israel had walked

in my ways!

 14. I should soon have subdued their enemies,

and turned my hand against their adversaries.

15. The haters of the LORD should have submitted themselves unto him: but their time should have endured for ever.

16. He should have fed them also with

■ the finest of the

wheat: and with honey out of the rock

should I have satisfied thee.

PSALM 82

■ 1. God standeth in the

congregation of the mighty;
he judgeth among

■ the gods.

■ 2. How long will ye

judge unjustly, and

■ accept the persons of

the wicked? Selah.3. Defend the poor

3. Detend the poorand fatherless:

do justice to the afflicted and needy.

4. **Deliver** the poor and needy: rid

them out of the hand

■ I of the wicked.

They know not, neither will they understand; they walk on in darkness: all the foundations of the earth are out of course.

I have said, Ye *are* gods;

■ and all of you are

children of the most High.

■ 7. But ye shall die like men,

■ and fall like one of

■ the princes.

8 Arise, O God, judge

■ the earth: for thou shalt

■ inherit all nations.

PSALM 83

Keep not thou silence,

O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God.

■ 2. **For,** lo,

thine enemies

■ make a tumult:

and they that hate thee have lifted up the head.

■ 3. They have taken crafty

counsel against thy

people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.

■ 4. They have said, Come, and

let us cut them off from being a nation:

■ that the name of Israel may

be no more in remembrance.

5. For they have

■ consulted together with one consent: they are confederate

■ against thee:

6. The tabernacles of Edom, and the Ishmaelites; of Moab, and the Hagarenes:

7. Gebal, and Ammon, and Amalek; the Philistines with the inhabitants of Tyre;

8. Assur also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot.

■ 9. Do unto them as *unto*

the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the brook of Kison:

■ 10. Which perished

at En-dor: they became as dung

11. Make their nobles like Oreb, and

like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna:

- 12. Who said. Let us take to ourselves
- the houses of God in possession.
 - 13. O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind. 14 As the fire burneth a wood.

and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire:

- 15. So persecute them with thy tempest, and make
- them afraid with thy storm.
- 16. Fill their faces with shame: that they may seek thy name, O LORD.
 - 17. Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish:
- 18. That men may know
- that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, art the most
- I high over all the earth.

PSALM 84

- 1. How amiable are thy tabernacles. O LORD
 - of hosts!
- 2. My soul longeth, vea, even fainteth
- for the courts of the LORD: my heart and my flesh crieth out for the living God.
 - 3. Yea, the sparrow hath found an house, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, even thine altars, O LORD of hosts, my King, and my God.
- 4. Blessed are they that dwell in thy house: they will
- be still praising thee. Selah. 5. Blessed is the man
- whose strength is in thee; in whose heart are the ways of them.
- 6. Who passing through the valley of Baca make it a well; the rain also filleth the pools.
 - 7. They go from strength to strength, every one of them in Zion appeareth before God.
 - O LORD God of hosts. hear my prayer:

give ear, O God of Jacob. Selah. Behold, O God our shield, and

- look upon the face of thine anointed.
- 10. For a day in thy courts is
- better than a thousand.
- I had rather be a
- doorkeeper in the house of my God, than to dwell in
- the tents of wickedness. 11. For the LORD

God is a sun and shield: the LORD

- will give grace and glory: no good thing will he
- withhold from them that walk uprightly.
 - O LORD of hosts.
- blessed is the man
 - that trusteth in thee.

PSALM 85

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- 1. Lord, thou hast been favourable unto thy land:
 - thou hast brought back the captivity of Jacob.
- 2. Thou hast forgiven the iniquity of thy people.
 - thou hast covered all their sin. Selah.
- Thou hast taken away all thy wrath: thou hast turned thyself from the fierceness of thine anger.
 - 4. Turn us, O God of our
- salvation, and cause thine anger toward us
 - to cease.
- Wilt thou be angry with us for ever? wilt thou draw out thine anger to all generations?
- Wilt thou not revive us again: that thy people may
 - rejoice in thee?
- Shew us thy mercy,
 - O LORD, and grant us thy salvation.
 - 8. I will hear what God
- the LORD will speak; for he
- will speak peace
- unto his people.
 - and to his saints:
- but let them not turn
- again to folly.
 - Surely his salvation is
- nigh them that fear him;

that glory may dwell in our land. ■ 10. Mercy and truth are

■ | met together; righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

■ 11. Truth shall spring out of the earth;

■ and righteousness shall ■ look down from heaven.

■ 12. Yea, the LORD shall give ■ that which is good; and our

land shall yield her increase. ■ 13. Righteousness

shall go before him; and shall set us in the

■ way of his steps.

PSALM 86

1. Bow down thine ear,

O LORD, hear me: for I am poor and needy.

> 2. Preserve my soul; for I am holy: O thou my God,

save thy servant that ■ I trusteth in thee.

3. Be merciful unto me.

■ O Lord: for I cry unto thee daily.

> 4. Rejoice the soul of thy servant: for unto thee, O Lord, do I lift up my soul.

5. For thou, Lord,

art good, and ready to forgive;

and plenteous in mercy unto all them that call upon thee.

6. Give ear, O LORD,

unto my prayer; and attend to the voice of my supplications.

7. In the day of

my trouble I will call upon thee: for thou ■ wilt answer me.

8. Among the gods

there is none like unto

thee, O Lord; neither are there any works like unto thy works.

All nations

whom thou hast made

shall come and

■ | worship before thee, O Lord; and shall glorify thy name.

10. For thou art great, and doest wondrous things:

thou art God alone.

11. Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth:

unite my heart to

fear thy name.

12. I will praise thee, O Lord my God,

with all my heart: and I will alorify thy name for evermore.

13. For great is thy mercy toward me: and

thou hast delivered mv soul from the lowest

hell.

14. O God, the

proud are risen against me,

and the assemblies of

violent men

have sought after

my soul; and have not set thee before them.

15. But thou, O Lord,

art a God

full of compassion, and

gracious, long suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.

16. O turn unto me, and

have mercy upon me; give thy strength

unto thy servant. and save the son of

thine handmaid.

17. **Shew me** a token for good; that they which hate

me may see it.

and be ashamed:

because thou, LORD,

hast holpen me,

and comforted me.

PSALM 87

1 His foundation is

in the holy mountains.

The LORD loveth the gates of

Zion more than all the dwellings of Jacob.

3. Glorious things are

spoken of thee,

O city of God. Selah. 4. I will make mention

of Rahab and Babylon to them

■ that know me: behold Philistia, and Tyre, with Ethiopia:

■ this *man* was born there.

5. And of Zion it shall be said, This and that man was born in her:

and the highest himself

shall establish her.

6. The LORD shall count, when he

writeth up the people,

I that this man

was born there. Selah.

7. As well

■ the singers

as the players on instruments

shall be there: all my

■ springs *are* in thee.

PSALM 88

O lord God of my salvation, I have cried day and night before thee:
 Let my prayer come before thee:

incline thine ear

■ unto my cry;

■ 3. For my soul is full

of troubles: and my
life draweth nigh unto

■ the grave.

4. I am counted with them that go down into the pit:

I am as a man that hath no strength:

5. Free among the dead, like the slain that lie in the grave,

whom thou rememberest no more:

and they are cut off from thy hand.

6. Thou hast laid me in the lowest pit, in darkness, in the deeps.

■ 7. Thy wrath

lieth hard upon me, and thou

■ hast afflicted me

with all thy waves. Selah.

8. Thou hast put away mine acquaintance far from me:

thou hast made me an abomination unto them: Lan

abomination unto them: *I am* shut up, and I cannot come forth.

9. Mine eye mourneth by reason of affliction: LORD,

I have called daily upon

thee, I have stretched out my hands unto thee.

10. Wilt thou shew wonders to the dead?

| shall the dead arise and

■ praise thee? Selah.

■ 11. Shall thy

lovingkindness bedeclared in the grave?

or thy faithfulness in destruction?

12. Shall thy wonders be known in the dark? and thy

righteousness

in the land of

forgetfulness?

cried, O LORD; and in the morning shall my prayer prevent thee.

14. LORD, why castest thou off my soul?

why hidest thou thy face from me?

■ 15. I *am* afflicted and ready to die

from *my* youth up: while I suffer thy terrors I am distracted.

■ 16. **Thy** fierce

wrath goeth over me;

thy terrors have cut me off.

■ 17. They came round

■ about me daily

like water; they compassed me about together.

18. Lover and friend hastthou put far from me,

and mine acquaintance into darkness.

PSALM 89

■ 1. I will sing of the mercies ■ 1 of the LORD for ever; with

my mouth will I make

known thy faithfulness

to all generations.

2. For I have said, Mercy shall be built up for ever: thy faithfulness shalt thou establish in the very heavens.

3. I have made a covenant with my chosen. I have sworn unto

■ David my servant,

4. Thy seed will I establishfor ever, and build up thy throne to

for ever, and build up thy throne to all generations. Selah.

5. And the heavens shall praise thy wonders,

O LORD: thy faithfulness also in the congregation of the saints.

6. For who in the heaven can be compared ■ I unto the LORD?

who among the sons of the mighty can be likened unto the LORD?

- 7. God is greatly
 - to be feared

in the assembly of the saints.

- and to be had in reverence of all them that are about him.
- 8. O LORD God of hosts,
- who is a
- strona LORD
- like unto
- thee? or to thy faithfulness round about thee?
- 9. Thou rulest the raging of **the seq:** when the waves thereof
- arise, thou stillest them, 10. Thou hast
 - broken Rahab in pieces.
- **as one** that is
- slain; thou hast scattered thine enemies

with thy strong arm.

- 11. The heavens are thine. the earth also is thine:
- as for the world and the fulness thereof, thou hast founded them.
 - 12. The north and the south thou hast created them: Tabor and Hermon shall reioice in thy name.
- 13. Thou hast a mighty arm: strong is thy hand, and high is thy right hand.
- 14. Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.
- 15. Blessed is the people
- that know the joyful sound: they shall
- walk, o LORD,
- in the light of thy
- | countenance. 16. In thy name shall they
- rejoice all the day:
- and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted.
- 17. For thou art the glory of
- their strength: and in
- thy favour our horn

shall be exalted.

- 18. For the LORD is our
- defence: and the Holy One of Israel is our king.
- 19. Then thou spakest in vision to thy holy one.
- and saidst. I have laid
- help upon
- one that is mighty; I have exalted one chosen out
- of the people.
 - 20. I have found David my servant:
 - with my holy oil have I anointed him:
 - 21. With whom my hand shall be established: mine arm also shall strenathen him.
- 22. The enemy shall not exact upon him; nor the son of wickedness afflict him.
- 23 And I will beat down
- his foes before his face. and plague them
- that hate him.
 - 24. **But mv**

- faithfulness and my
 - mercy shall be with him: and
 - in my name shall his horn be exalted. I will set his hand also in the sea. and his right hand in the rivers.
- 26. He shall cry unto me,
- Thou *art* my father, my God, and the rock of
- my salvation.
- 27. Also I will make him my firstborn, higher than the
- kings of the earth.
 - 28. My mercy
 - will I keep for him for evermore,
- and my covenant shall stand fast with him.
- 29. His seed also will I make to endure for ever.
- and his throne as the days of heaven.
- 30. If his children forsake
- my law, and walk not
 - in my judgments;
 - 31. If they break my statutes, and keep not my commandments:
- 32. Then will I visit their transgression with the rod.
 - and their iniquity with stripes.

33. Nevertheless my lovingkindness will I not utterly take from him,

nor suffer my faithfulness to fail.

34. My covenant

will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips. 35. Once have I sworn by my holiness that

I will not lie unto David.

36. His seed shall endure for ever, and

his throne as the sun before me.

37. It shall be established

for ever as the moon, and

as a faithful witness in

heaven Selah

38. But thou hast cast off and abhorred.

thou hast been wroth with

thine anointed.

39. Thou hast made void

the covenant of thy servant: thou hast profaned his crown by casting it to the ground.

40. Thou hast broken down all his hedges:

thou hast brought his strong holds to ruin.

41. All that pass by the way spoil him: he is a reproach to his neighbours. 42. Thou hast set up the right hand of his adversaries:

thou hast made all his enemies to rejoice.

43. Thou hast also

turned the edge of

his sword, and hast not made him to stand in the battle.

44. Thou hast made his glory to cease, and cast

his throne down to the ground. 45. The days of his youth

hast thou shortened:

thou hast covered him with shame. Selah.

■ 46. How long, LORD?

wilt thou hide thyself for ever? shall thy wrath burn like fire?

47. Remember how short

my time is: wherefore

hast thou made all

men in vain?

48. What man is he that liveth. and shall not see death?

shall he deliver his soul

from the hand of the

arave? Selah.

49. Lord, where are thy former lovinakindnesses, which thou swarest unto David in thy truth?

> 50. Remember, Lord, the reproach of thy servants; how I do

bear in my bosom the reproach of all the mighty people;

51 Wherewith thine

enemies have reproached, O

LORD: wherewith they

have reproached the footsteps of thine

anointed.

52 Blessed be the LORD for

evermore. Amen, and Amen.

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Lord, thou hast been our. dwelling place

in all generations.

Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever

thou hadst

formed the earth and

the world, even from everlasting to everlasting.

thou art God.

Thou turnest man to destruction; and sayest,

Return, ye children of

4. For a thousand years in thy sight *are but*

as yesterday when it is past, and as

a watch in the niaht.

Thou carriest them away

as with a flood; they are as a sleep: in the morning

they are like grass which groweth up.

In the morning it flourisheth, and

groweth up:

in the evening it is

cut down, and withereth.

7. For we are consumed by thine anger,

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- and by thy wrath are we troubled.

 8. **Thou hast set**our injurities before thee.
- our secret sins in thelight of thy countenance.
- 9. For all
- our days are passed away in thy wrath: we spend our years as a tale that is told.
- 10. The days of our years
 - are threescore years and ten; and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years, yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon
- cut off, and we fly away.
- 11. Who knoweth the power of thine anger? even according to thy fear, so is thy wrath.
- 12. So teach us to
 number our days, that
 we may apply our
 hearts unto wisdom.
 - 13. Return, O LORD, how long? and let it repent thee concerning
- thy servants.

 14. O satisfy us early with thy mercy; that we
- may rejoice and be glad
- all our days.
- 15. Make us glad according to the days
 wherein thou hast
- afflicted us, and the years wherein we have seen evil.
- 16. Let thy work appear unto thy servants,
- and thy glory unto their children.
- 17. And let the beauty of the
- LORD our God
- be upon us:
- and establish thou
 - the work of our hands

upon us; yea, the work of our hands establish thou it.

PSALM 91

1. He that dwelleth in the
 secret place of the most

- High shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2. I will say of the LORD, He
- is my refuge and

- my fortress: my God;
- in him will I trust.
- 3. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare
 - of the fowler.
- **and** from the noisome
- pestilence.
 - 4. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and
 - under his wings
- shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler.
- 5. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor
- for the arrow that flieth
- by day;
 - Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday.
- 7. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee.
 - Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked.
- 9. Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High,
 - thy habitation;
- 10. There shall no evil befall
 thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling.
- 11. For he shall give hisangels charge over thee,
- to keep thee in all thy ways.

 12. They shall bear thee u
 - 12. They shall bear thee up in their hands,
- lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.
- 13. Thou shalt tread upon ■ the lion and adder:
- the young lion and the dragon shalt thou trample under feet.
- 14. Because he hath set his love upon me, therefore will I deliver him: I will set him on high, because he hath known my name.
- 15. He shall call upon me, ■ and I will answer him:
 - I will be with him in trouble;
- I will deliver him,
- and honour him.

- 16. With long life will I satisfy him,
- and shew him my
- l∎l salvation.

- 1. IT is a good thing to give Thanks unto the Lord, and
- to sing praises unto thy
- name, O Most High
- 2. To shew forth
- thy lovingkindness in the morning.
- and thy
 - faithfulness every night,
 - 3. Upon an instrument of ten strings, and upon the psaltery; upon the harp with a solemn sound.
- 4. For thou, LORD, hast made me glad through thy work:
 - I will triumph in the works of thy hands.
 - 5. O LORD, how
- great are thy works! and thy thoughts are very deep.
- 6. A brutish man knoweth not: neither doth a fool understand this.
- 7. When the wicked spring as the grass, and when all the workers of iniquity do
- flourish; it is that
- they shall be destroyed for ever:
- 8. But thou, LORD, art most **high** for evermore.
 - 9. For, lo, thine enemies. O LORD, for, lo.
- thine enemies shall perish: all the workers of iniquity
- shall be scattered.
- 10. But my horn shalt thou
- exalt like the horn of an unicorn:
- I shall be anointed with fresh oil.
 - 11. Mine eye also shall see my desire on mine enemies. and mine ears shall hear my desire of the wicked that rise up against me.
- 12. The righteous shall
 - flourish like the palm tree: he shall grow like a cedar in Lebanon.

- 13. Those that be planted in the house of the LORD shall flourish in the courts of our God.
- 14. They shall still bring forth fruit in old age;
 - they shall be fat and flourishing: 15. To shew that
- the LORD is upright:
- he is my rock, and
 - there is no
- unrighteousness in him.

PSALM 93

- 1. The LORD reigneth, he is clothed with majesty; the LORD is clothed with strength, wherewith he hath girded himself: the world also is stablished, that it cannot be moved.
- 2. Thy throne is established of old:
- thou art from
- everlastina.
 - 3. The floods have lifted up, O LORD,
- the floods have lifted
- up their voice;
 - the floods lift up their waves.
- 4. The LORD on high is mightier than the
- noise of many waters, yea, than
 - the mighty waves of the sea.
 - 5. Thy testimonies are very
- sure: holiness becometh
- thine house, O LORD.
- for ever.

PSALM 94

- O Lord God, to whom vengeance belongeth; O God, to whom vengeance belongeth,
 - shew thyself.
 - Lift up thyself,

thou judge of the earth:

- render a reward
- to the proud.
- 3 LORD, how long shall the wicked, how long shall the wicked
- triumph?
- 4. How long shall they utter and speak hard things? and all
- the workers of iniquity
- **boast** themselves?
- 5. They break

in pieces thy people, O LORD, and afflict thine heritage. ■ 6. They slay the widow and ■ the stranger, and murder the ■ | fatherless.

■ 7. Yet they say, The LORD shall not see, neither

shall the God of Jacob

reaard it.

Understand, ve brutish among the people; and ve fools, when will ye be wise?

9. He that planted the ear. shall he not hear? he that formed the eve, shall he not see?

10. He that chastiseth the heathen, shall not he correct? he that teacheth man knowledge, shall

not he know?

11. The LORD knoweth the thoughts of man, that they are vanity.

12. Blessed is the man whom thou chastenest. O LORD.

and teachest him out of thy law:

13. That thou mayest give him rest from the days of adversity, until the pit be digged for the wicked.

14. For the LORD will not cast off his people, neither will he forsake his inheritance.

15. But judgment shall return unto righteousness: and all the upright in heart

shall follow it.

16. Who will rise up for me **against** the evildoers? or who will stand up for me against

the workers of iniquity?

■ 17. Unless the LORD had been my help,

my soul had almost

dwelt in silence.

■ 18. When I said,

My foot slippeth; thy mercy, O LORD, held me up.

> 19. In the multitude of my thoughts within me thy

comforts delight my soul.

20. Shall the throne of

iniquity have fellowship with thee.

which frameth mischief by a law?

21. They gather themselves together

against the soul of

the righteous.

and condemn the

innocent blood.

22. But the LORD is

my defence:

and my God is the rock of my refuge. 23. And he shall bring upon

them their own iniquity, and

shall cut them off

in their own wickedness; yea, the LORD our God shall cut them off.

PSALM 95

1. O come, let us sing unto the LORD:

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his

presence with

thanksgiving, and make a joyful noise unto him with psalms.

For the LORD is a

great God, and a great King above all gods.

4. In his hand *are* the deep

places of the earth: the

strength of the hills is his also. The sea is his, and he made it: and his hands formed the dry land.

6. O come, let us worship. and bow down; let us kneel before

the LORD our maker.

For he is our God:

and we are the people of his pasture, and the

sheep of his hand. To-day if ye will hear

his voice.

Harden not your heart,

as in the provocation, and as in

the day of temptation in the wilderness:

When your fathers

tempted me, proved me,

and saw my work.

■ 10. Forty years long ■ was I grieved

with this generation,

and said, It is a people that do err in their heart, and

they have not known

■ | my`ways:

11. Unto whom I sware in my wrath

that they should not enter into

my rest.

PSALM 96

- | 1. O sing unto the LORD
- **a new song:** sing unto the LORD, all the earth.
 - 2. Sing unto the LORD,
- bless his name; shew forth
- his salvation from day to day.
 - 3. **Declare his glory** among the heathen, his wonders among all people.
- 4. For the LORD is great, and greatly to be praised:

he is to be feared above all gods.

- For all the gods of the nations are idols: but the LORD made the heavens.
- 6. Honour and majesty are before him:
- strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.
- 7. Give unto
- the LORD, O ye kindreds of the people, give unto the LORD
- glory and strength.
- Give unto the LORD the glory due unto his name:
- bring an offering, and come
- into his courts.
- 9. O worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness:

fear before him, all the earth.

10. Say among the heathenthat the LORD reigneth:

the world also shall be established that it shall not be moved:

- he shall judge thepeople righteously.
- 11. Let the heavens rejoice,
- and let the
- earth be glad; let the sea roar,

and the fulness thereof.

- 12. Let the field be joyful, and all that is therein: then shall all the trees of the wood rejoice
- 13. Before the LORD: for he cometh, **for** he cometh to judge the earth:
- for he cometh to judge the enterprise he shall judge the world
 - with righteousness, and the people with his
- | truth.

PSALM 97

1. The LORD reigneth;

let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be glad *thereof.*

- 2. Clouds and darkness are round about him:
- righteousness and judgment *are* the
- habitation of
 - his throne.
- 3. A fire goeth before him,and burneth up his
 - enemies round about.
 - His lightnings enlightened the world: the earth saw, and trembled.
- 5. The hills melted like wax
 at the presence of the
- LORD, at the presence of the Lord of the whole earth.
- 6. The heavens declare his righteousness, and
 - all the people see

his glory.

- 7. Confounded be all
- they that serve graven images, that boast themselves of
- idols: worship him, all ye gods.
 - 8. Zion heard.
- and was glad; and the daughters of
- Judah rejoiced because of thy judgments, O LORD.
- 9. For thou, LORD, art high above all the earth; thou
- art exalted far
- above all gods.
- 10. Ye that love the LORD.
 - hate evil: he preserveth the souls of his saints; he delivereth them out of the hand of the wicked.
 - 11. Light is sown for the righteous, and gladness for the upright in heart.
 - 12. Rejoice in the LORD,

ye righteous;
and give thanks at the remembrance of his holiness.

PSALM 98

- 1. O sing unto the LORD a new song;
- for he hath done
- marvellous things: his right hand, and his holy arm, hath gotten him the victory.
- 2. The LORD hath made known his salvation:

his righteousness hath he openly shewed in the sight of the heathen.

- 3. He hath remembered his
- mercy and his truth
- **toward** the house of
- Israel: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
- 4. Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all the earth: make a loud noise, and rejoice,
 and sing praise.
- 5. Sing unto the LORD
- with the harp; with the harp, and the voice of a psalm.
- 6. With trumpets and sound■ of cornet make a joyful
- **noise** before the LORD, the King.
- 7. Let the sea

roar, and the fulness thereof;

- the world, and they that dwell
- therein.
- 8. Let the floods

clap their hands:

- let the hills be joyful together
- 9. Before the LORD; for he cometh to judge the earth:
- with righteousness

shall he judge the world,

- and the people with
- equity.

PSALM 99

1. The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble:

he sitteth *between* the cherubims; let the earth be moved.

2. The LORD

is great in Zion; and he

i is high above

- all the people.
- 3. Let them praise thy great and terrible
- name; *for* it *is* holy.
 - The king's strength also loveth judgment; thou dost establish equity, thou executest judgment and righteousness in Jacob.
- **|** 5. **Exalt** ye
- the LORD our God,
- and worship at his
- footstool; for he is holy.

 Moses and Aaron
 - among his priests.
- and Samuel among them that call upon his name; they
- called upon the LORD,
- and he answered them.
 7. He spake unto them in the
- 7. He spake unto them in cloudy pillar: they kept

his testimonies, and

- the ordinance that he gave them.
 - 8. Thou answeredst them, O LORD our God: thou wast a God that forgavest them, though thou tookest vengeance of their inventions.
- 9. Exalt the LORD our God,
- and worship at his holy hill;
- for the LORD our God
- is holy.

PSALM 100

- 1. Make a joyful noise unto
- the LORD, all ye lands.
- 2. Serve the LORD with
- gladness: come before his presence with singing.
 - 3. Know ye that
- I the LORD he
- is God: it is
- i he that hath
- I made us, and not we ourselves;
- We are his people, and
- the sheep of his pasture.
- 4. Enter into his gates with
 thanksgiving, and into his
- courts with praise: be
- thankful unto him,
- and bless his name.
- 5. For the LORD is good;
 his mercy is everlasting;
- and his truth endureth

|■| to all generations.

PSALM 101

■ | 1. I will sing of mercy

and judgment:

unto thee, O LORD, will I sing.

2. I will behave myself

wisely in a perfect way.

O when wilt thou come unto me? I will walk within my house

with a perfect heart.

3. I will set no wicked thing

3. I will set no wicked thing before mine eyes: I hate the work of them that turn aside;
 it shall not cleave to me.

4. A froward heart shalldepart from me:

I will not know a wicked person.

■ 5. Whoso privily

■ slandereth

■ his neighbour, him

will I cut off: him that hath an high look and a proud heart will not I suffer.

Mine eyes shall be upon the faithful of the land, that they may dwell with me;

he that walketh in a perfect way, he shall serve me.

1 7. He that worketh deceit

shall not dwell within my house:

he that telleth lies shall not tarry in my sight.

8. I will early destroy all the wicked of the land; that I may cut off all wicked doers from the city of the LORD.

PSALM 102

1. Hear my prayer, O LORD, and let my cry come unto thee.

2. Hide not thy face from me in the day when I am in trouble; incline thine ear unto me: in the day

when I call answer me speedily.

■ 3. For my days are

Consumed like smoke, and my bones are burned as an hearth.

4. My heart is smitten, and withered like grass; so that I forget to eat my bread.

5. By reason of the voice of my

groaning my bones cleave to my skin.

 I am like a pelican of the wilderness: I am like an owl of the desert.

7. I watch, and am as a sparrow alone upon the house top.

8. Mine enemies reproach
 me all the day; and they that are mad against me are sworn against me.

9. For I have eaten ashes like bread, and mingled my drink with weeping.

10. Because of thine

10. Because of thine indignation and thy wrath: for thou hast lifted me up.

and cast me down.

My days are like a shadow that declineth; and

I am withered like grass.
 12. But thou, O LORD, shalt endure for ever; and thy remembrance unto all generations.

13. Thou shalf arise, and have mercy upon Zion: for the time to favour her, yea,

the set time, is come.

14. For thy servants take
pleasure in her stones,
and favour the dust thereof.

15. So the heathen
shall fear the name of the
LORD, and all the kings

of the earth thy glory.

build up Zion, he shall appear in his glory.

17. He will regard the

17. He will regard the prayer of the destitute,

and not despise their prayer.

18. This shall be written for the

generation to come:

and the people which shall be created

shall praise the LORD.

19. For he hath looked
down from the height

down from the height of his sanctuary:

from heaven

did the LORD behold the earth;
20. To hear the groaning

20. To hear the groaning of the prisoner; to

■ loose those that are

appointed to death;

of the LORD

in Zion, and his praise in Jerusalem;

22. When the people are gathered

together, and the kingdoms.

to serve the LORD.

23. He weakened

mv strength in the way:

he shortened my days.

24. I said, O my God, take

me not away in the midst of my days: thy years are throughout all generations.

25. Of old hast

thou laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens are the work of thy hands.

26. They shall perish,

but thou shalt endure: yea, all of them shall wax old like a garment; as a vesture shalt thou change them. and they shall be changed:

27. But thou art the same, and thy years shall

■ have no end.

28. The children of thy

servants

shall continue, and their seed

shall be established

i∎ before thee.

PSALM 103

1. Bless the LORD. O my soul: and all that is within

me, bless his holy name. 2. Bless the LORD, O my soul, and

forget not all his benefits:

3. Who forgiveth all

thine iniquities; who

healeth all thy diseases;

4. Who redeemeth thy life from destruction:

who crowneth thee with

lovingkindness and tender mercies:

5. Who satisfieth thy mouth

with good things; so that

thy youth is renewed like the eagle's.

6. The LORD executeth righteousness and

judgment for all that

are oppressed.

7. He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto

- 1 the children of Israel.

8. The LORD is merciful and aracious, slow to anger.

and plenteous in mercy.

He will not always chide: neither will he

keep his anger for ever.

10. He hath

not dealt with us after our sins; nor rewarded us according

to our iniquities.

11. For as the heaven is high above the earth, so areat is his mercy

toward them that fear him.

12. As far as the east is from the west, so far hath he

removed our trans-gressions from us.

13. Like as a father pitieth

his children, so the LORD pitieth them that fear him.

14 For he knoweth

our frame; he remembereth that

we *are* dust.

15. **As for man.**

his days are as grass:

as a flower of the field, so

he flourisheth.

16. For the wind passeth over it,

and it

is gone; and the place thereof shall know it no more.

17. But the mercy of

the LORD is from

everlasting to everlasting

upon them that fear him,

and his righteousness unto children's children:

18. To such as keep his covenant, and to those that remember his commandments to do them.

19. The LORD hath

prepared his throne in the heavens; and his kingdom

ruleth over all.

20. Bless the LORD,

ye his angels, that excel in strength, that do his commandments,

hearkening unto the voice of his word.

I 21. Bless ve

■ the LORD, all ye his hosts;

■ **ye ministers** of his,

■ that do his pleasure.

22. Bless the LORD, all his

■ works in all places of his dominion:

■ bless the LORD, O my soul.

PSALM 104

1. Bless the LORD, O my soul.

■ O LORD my God,

■ thou art very

great; thou art

clothed with honour

and majesty.

■ 2. Who coverest thyself

■ | with light as with a garment:

■ who stretchest out the

heavens like a curtain:

3. Who layeth the beams of his chambers in the waters:

who maketh the clouds

■ his chariot: who walketh

upon the wings of

■ the wind:

4. Who maketh his angelsspirits; his ministers a

flaming fire:

5. Who laid the foundations of the earth, that it should not be

removed for ever.

6. **Thou coveredst it with**

the deep as with

a garment: the waters stood above the

■ mountains.

7. At thy rebuke they fled; at the voice of thy thunder they hasted away.

8. They go up by the mountains; they go down by the valleys

■ unto the place which

■ I thou hast

■ founded for them.

■ 9. Thou hast set a bound

■ that they may not pass over;

that they turn not again
 to cover the earth.

■ 10. He sendeth the springs into the valleys.

which run among the hills.

11. They give drink to every beast of the field: the wild asses

quench their thirst.

12. **By them shall the fowls**

of the heaven have their habitation.

which sing among the branches.

13. He watereth the hills from his chambers: the earth is satisfied with the fruit of thy works.

14. He causeth the grass to grow for the cattle, and

herb for the service of man: that he may bring

man: that he may bring forth food out of the earth;

15. And wine that maketh glad the heart of man, and oil to make his face to shine, and bread which strengtheneth man's heart.

16. The trees of the LORD
 are full of sap; the cedars of Lebanon, which he hath planted;

17. Where the birds make their nests: as for the stork, the fir trees are her house.

18. The high hills are a refuge for the wild goats; and the rocks for the conies.

19. He appointed the moon for seasons: the sun knoweth his going down.
20. Thou makest darkness,

20. Thou makest darkness, and it is night:

wherein all

the beasts of the forest do creep forth.

21. The young lions roar after their prey, and

seek their meat from God.

22. The sun ariseth, they gather themselves together, and lay them down in their dens.

23. Man goeth forth

unto his work and to his labour until the evening.

24. O LORD, how manifold are thy works! in wisdom hast thou made them all:

the earth is full of

thy riches.

25. So is this great and wide sea, wherein are things creeping innumerable.

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- | both small and great beasts.
 - 26. There go the ships: there is that leviathan, whom thou hast made to play therein.
- 27. These wait all upon thee; that thou
- mayest give them their
- **meat** in due season.
 - 28. That thou givest them they gather: thou openest thine hand,
- they are filled with good.
- 29. Thou hidest thy face,
- they are troubled: thou
- takest away their breath, they die, and return to their dust.
- 30. **Thou sendest** forth
- thy spirit, they are created: and thou renewest the face
- of the earth.

 31. The glory of the LORD
- shall endure for ever:
 the LORD shall rejoice
- in his works.
 - 32. He looketh on the earth, and it trembleth: he toucheth the hills, and they smoke.
- 33. I will sing unto the LORD as long as I live:

I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.

- 34. My meditation of him shall be sweet:
 - I will be glad in the LORD.
- 35. **Let** the
- sinners be consumed out of the earth, and let the wicked be no more.
- Bless thou
- the LORD, O my soul.
- Praise ye
- the LORD.

PSALM 105

- | 1. O give thanks unto the
- LORD; call upon his name:
- make known his deeds among the people.
 - 2. Sing unto him,
- sing psalms unto him:
- talk ye
- of all his wondrous works.
- 3. Glory ye
- in his holy name: let the heart

of them rejoice that seek the LORD.

- 4. **Seek the LORD,** and his strength: seek his face evermore.
- 5. Remember his
 - marvellous works that he hath done; his wonders, and the judgments of his mouth;
 - 6. O ye seed of Abraham his servant, ye children of Jacob his chosen.
- 7. He is the LORD our God: his judgments are in all the earth.
- 8. He hath remembered his covenant for ever, the word which he commanded to a thousand generations.
- 9. Which covenant
- he made with Abraham, and his oath unto Isaac;
 - 10. And confirmed the same
- unto Jacob for a law, and to
- Israel for an everlasting covenant:
- 11 Saying, Unto thee will
- I give the land of
- | Canaan, the lot of
- your inheritance:
- 12. When they were but a
- few men

in number;

- yea, very few, and strangers in it.

 13. When they went from one nation
- to another, from *one* kingdom to another people;
- 14. He suffered no man to do them wrong: yea, he reproved kings for their sakes;
- 15. Saying, Touch not mine anointed.
 - and do my prophets no harm.
- 16. Moreover he called for a famine upon the land: he brake the whole staff of bread.
- 17. He sent a man before them, even Joseph,
 - who was sold for a servant:
 - 18. Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron:
- 19. Until the time that
- his word came:

the word of the LORD tried him.

- 20. The king sent and
- loosed him; even the ruler of the people, and let him go free.
- 21. He made him lord

of his house.

and ruler of all his substance: 22. To bind his princes at his pleasure; and teach his senators wisdom.

23. **Israel** also

came into Egypt; and Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham.

24. And he increased his people greatly; and made them stronger than their enemies.

He turned their heart to hate his people.

to deal subtilly with his servants.

26. He sent Moses his servant:

and Agron whom he had chosen.

27. They shewed his signs among them.

and wonders in the land of Ham. 28. He sent darkness.

> and made it dark; and they rebelled not against his word.

29. He turned their waters into blood, and slew their fish.

30. Their land brought forth frogs in abundance, in the chambers of their kings.

31. He spake, and there

came divers sorts of

flies. and lice in all their coasts. 32. He gave them hail for rain,

and flaming fire in their land.

33. He smote their vines also and their

fig trees:

and brake the trees of their coasts.

34. He spake, and the locusts came, and caterpillers, and that without number.

> 35. And did eat up all the herbs in their land, and devoured the fruit of their ground.

36. He smote also

all the firstborn in their land. the chief of all their strength.

37. He brought them forth also with silver and gold: and there was not one

feeble *person* among

■ their tribes.

38. Egypt was glad when they departed: for the fear of them fell upon them.

39. **He spread a cloud for a** covering; and fire to give light in the night.

40. The people asked, and

he brought quails, and satisfied them with the bread of heaven.

41. He opened the rock, and the

waters aushed out:

they ran in the dry places like a river.

42. For he remembered his holy promise.

and Abraham his servant.

43. **And** he

brought forth his people with joy.

and his chosen with gladness:

44. And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they

inherited the labour of the people: 45. That they might observe

his statutes, and keep his laws. Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 106

1. Praise ye the LORD.

O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: for

his mercy endureth for ever.

Who can utter the mighty acts of the LORD? who can

shew forth all his praise? Blessed are they that keep judgment, and he that

doeth righteousness

at all times.

 Remember me, O LORD, with the favour that thou bearest unto thy people: O

visit me with thy salvation;

That I may see the good of thy chosen, that I may

rejoice in the gladness of thy nation, that I may glory with thine inheritance.

We have sinned with our fathers, we have committed iniquity,

■ I we have done wickedly. 7. Our fathers understood not thy wonders in Egypt: they remembered not

the multitude of

thy mercies; but provoked him at the sea, even at the Red sea.

8 Nevertheless he saved them for his name's sake. that he might make his mighty power to be known.

9 He rebuked the Red sea also, and it was dried up; so

he led them through the depths, as through the wilderness.

10. And he saved

them from the hand of

him that hated them. and redeemed them from the hand of the enemy.

11. And the waters covered their enemies:

there was not one of them left.

12. Then believed they ■ his words; they sang his praise.

13. They soon forgat his works; they

waited not for his counsel:

14. But

lusted exceedingly in the wilderness.

and tempted God in the desert.

15. And he gave them their request: but sent leanness into their soul.

16. They envied Moses also in the camp,

and Agron the saint of the LORD.

■ 17. The earth opened and

■ | swallowed up **Dathan and** covered

the company of Abiram. **a** 1

18. And a fire was kindled

in their company; the flame burned up the wicked.

■ 19. They made a calf in Horeb.

and worshipped the molten image.

20. Thus they changed their

glory into the similitude of an ox that eateth grass. 21. They forgat God their saviour.

which had done great things in Egypt:

22. Wondrous works in the land of Ham, and terrible things by the Red sea.

23. Therefore he said that

he would destroy them. had not Moses his chosen

stood before him in the breach. to turn away his wrath,

lest he should destroy them.

24. Yea, they despised the pleasant land.

they believed not his word:

25. **But murmured**

in their tents, and hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.

26. Therefore he lifted up his hand against them.

to overthrow them in the wilderness:

27. To overthrow their seed also among the nations, and

to scatter them

in the lands.

28. They joined themselves also unto

Baal-peor, and ate the sacrifices of the dead.

29. Thus they provoked him to anger with their inventions:

and the plague brake

in upon them. 30. **Then** stood up

Phinehas, and executed judgment: and so the plague was stayed.

31. And that was counted unto him for righteousness unto all generations for evermore.

32. They angered him also at the waters of strife, so

that it went ill with Moses

for their sakes:

33. Because they provoked his spirit, so that he spake unadvisedly with his lips.

34. They did not destroy the

nations, concerning whom the LORD

commanded them:

35. But were

minaled amona the

- heathen, and learned their works.
- 36. And they
- served their idols:

which were a snare unto them.

- 37. Yea. they sacrificed
- their sons and their daughters unto devils,
 - 38. And shed innocent blood, even the blood of their sons and of their daughters, whom they sacrificed unto the idols of Canaan:
- and the land was
- polluted with blood.
- 39. Thus were they defiled with their own works.
- and went a whoring with their own inventions.
- 40. Therefore was the wrath
- of the LORD kindled against his people, insomuch
- that he abhorred his own inheritance.
- 41. And he gave them into the hand of the heathen; and they that hated them ruled over them.
- 42. Their enemies also
- oppressed them, and they were brought into subjection under their hand.
- 43. Many times did he deliver them; but they
- provoked him with their counsel, and were brought low for
- their iniquity.
- 44. Nevertheless he regarded their affliction. when he heard their cry:
- 45. And he remembered for them his covenant, and repented according to the multitude of
- 46. He made them also to be pitied

of all those that carried them captives.

- 47. Save us, O LORD our God, and gather us
- from among

his mercies

- the heathen, to give thanks
- unto thy holy name.
 - and to triumph in thy praise.
 - 48. Blessed be the LORD

God of Israel from everlasting to everlasting:

- and let all the people say.
- Amen. Praise ve the LORD.

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- 1. O give thanks unto
- the LORD, for he is good:
- for his mercy *endureth*
 - for ever.
- 2 Let the redeemed.
 - of the LORD say so.
- whom he hath redeemed from the hand of the enemy:

- 3. And gathered them out of the lands, from the east, and from the west, from the north, and from the south.
- 4. They wandered in the
- wilderness in a solitary way: they found no city to dwell in.
- Hungry and thirsty, their soul fainted in them.
- Then they cried unto the
- LORD in their trouble
- and he delivered them out of their distresses.
- And he
- led them forth
- by the right way, that they might go to a city of habitation.
- Oh that men would
 - praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works. to the children of men!
- 9. For he satisfieth the longing soul, and filleth the hungry soul with goodness.
 - 10. Such as sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, being bound in affliction and iron:
- 11. Because they rebelled against the words of God. and contemned the counsel of the most High:
- 12. Therefore he brought down their heart with
- labour; they fell down, and there was none to help.
 - 13. Then they cried unto the LORD
 - in their trouble, and he
- saved them

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- out of their distresses.
- 14. He brought them out of darkness and
- the shadow of death, and brake their bands
- in sunder.
- 15. Oh that men would
- praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!
 - For he hath broken the gates of brass, and cut the bars of iron in sunder.
- 17. Fools because of their transgression, and because
- of their iniquities,
 - 18. Their soul abhorreth
- they draw near unto the gates of death.
- 19. Then they cry unto the
- LORD in their trouble,
- and he saveth them

out of their distresses.

20. **He sent his word.**

- and healed them, and delivered them from their destructions.
 - 21. Oh that *men* would praise the LORD *for* his goodness, and *for* his wonderful works to the children of men!
- 22. And let them sacrificethe sacrifices of
- thanksgiving, and declare his works with rejoicing.
- 23. They that go down
 to the sea in ships,
 that do business in great waters:

that do business in great waters;

- 24. These see the works of the LORD,
 - and his wonders in the deep. 25. For he commandeth,
- and raiseth
 the stormy wind,
 - which lifteth up the waves thereof.

 26. They mount up to the heaven, they go down again to the depths: their soul is melted because of trouble.
- 27. They reel to and fro, and stagger
- like a drunken man, and

- | are at their wit's end.
- 28. Then they cry unto the
- LORD in their trouble,
- and he bringeth themout of their distresses.
- 29. He maketh the storm a calm.
- so that the waves thereof are still.
 - 30. Then are they glad because they be quiet; so he bringeth them unto their desired haven.
- 31. Oh that men would
- praise the LORD for his goodness, and for his wonderful works to the children of men!
- 32. Let them exalt him also in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.
- 33. He turneth rivers into a wilderness, and

the watersprings into dry ground;

- 34. A fruitful land into
- barrenness, for the
- wickedness of them that
- dwell therein.
 - 35. **He turneth the** wilderness into a standing water, and
- dry ground into watersprings.
- 36. And there he
 - maketh the hungry to dwell,

that they may prepare a city for habitation;

- 37. And sow the fields, and plant vineyards, which may yield fruits of increase
- 38. He blesseth them also, so that they are multiplied greatly; and suffereth not their cattle to decrease.
- 39. Again, they are minished and
- brought low through oppression, affliction,
- and sorrow.
- 40. **He** poureth contempt upon princes, and
- causeth them to wander
 - in the wilderness,
- where there is no way.
- 41. Yet setteth he the poor
 - on high from affliction,

and maketh him families like a flock.

- 42. The righteous shall see it, and rejoice: and all iniquity
- shall stop her mouth. 43. Whoso is wise, and will observe these things, even they
- shall understand the
- lovingkindness of
- the LŎRD.

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- O god, my heart is fixed;
- I will sing and
- give praise, even with my glory. 2. Awake, psaltery and harp: I myself
 - will awake early.
- 3. I will praise thee. O LORD, among the people: and I will sing praises unto thee among the nations.
- 4. For thy mercy is great above the heavens: and thy truth reacheth unto the clouds.
- 5. Be thou exalted. O God. above the heavens; and thy glory above all the earth;
- 6. That thy beloved may be delivered: save with thy right hand, and answer me.
- 7. God hath spoken in his holiness; I will rejoice,

I will divide Shechem, and mete out the valley of Succoth.

- 8. Gilead is mine:
- Manasseh is mine; Ephraim
- also is the strength of mine head;
 - Judah is my lawgiver;
 - 9. Moab is my washpot; over Edom will I cast out my shoe; over Philistia will I triumph.
- 10. Who will bring me into the strong city?

who will lead me into Edom?

11. Will not thou, O God, who hast cast us off?

and wilt not thou. O God. go forth with our hosts?

- 12. Give us help from trouble:
 - for vain is the help of man. 13. Through God we shall
- do valiantly: for he it is that
- shall tread down
- our enemies

PSALM 109

- 1. Hold not thy peace,
- O God of my praise:
 - 2. For the mouth
- of the wicked

and the mouth of the deceitful

- are opened
- against me: they have spoken against me

with a lying tongue.

- 3. They compassed me about also
 - with words of hatred: and fought against me
 - without a cause.
 - 4. For my love

- they are my adversaries:
- but I give myself unto prayer.
- And they have rewarded
 - me evil for good. and hatred for my love.
 - 6. Set thou a wicked man over him: and let Satan
- stand at his right hand.
 - 7. When he shall be
- judged, let him be condemned: and let his
- prayer become sin.
 - 8. Let his days be few; and let another take his office.
 - Let his children be
- fatherless, and his wife a widow. 10. Let his children be continually
- vagabonds, and beg:
- let them seek
- their bread also out of their
- desolate places.
- 11. Let the extortioner catch all that he hath:
 - and let the strangers spoil his labour.
- Let there be none to extend mercy

unto him: neither let there be any to favour his fatherless children.

- 13. Let his posterity
- be cut off; and
 - in the generation following let their name be blotted out.
- Let the iniquity of his fathers be remembered
 - with the LORD; and let not the

sin of his mother be blotted out.

15 Let them be before the ■ LORD continually.

■ I that he may cut off the

■ I memory of them from the earth.

16. Because that

he remembered not to

shew mercy, but persecuted the poor and needy man, that he might even slav the broken in heart.

17. As he loved cursing, so let it come unto him: as he delighted not in blessing. so let it be far from him.

18. As he clothed himself with cursing like as with his garment, so let it come into his bowels like water, and like oil into his bones.

19. Let it be unto him as the garment which covereth him, and for a girdle wherewith he is girded continually.

20. Let this be the reward of mine adversaries

from the LORD.

■ and of

them that speak evil against my soul.

21. But do thou

for me, O GOD the Lord,

for thy name's sake:

because thy mercy is

good, deliver thou me.

22. For I am poor

and needy, and my heart is wounded within me.

23. I am aone like the

shadow when it declineth: I am tossed up and down as the locust.

24. My knees are weak through fasting:

and my flesh faileth of fatness.

25. I became also a reproach

unto them: when they looked upon me they shaked their heads.

26. Help me, O LORD my God: O

save me according to thy mercy:

27. That they may know that this is thy hand;

that thou. LORD.

hast done it.

28. Let them curse.

but bless thou; when they arise, let them be ashamed;

but let thy servant rejoice. 29. Let mine adversaries be

clothed with shame, and

let them cover themselves with their own confusion.

as with a mantle.

30. I will greatly praise the LORD with my mouth; yea.

I will praise him

amona the multitude. 31. For he shall stand

at the right hand of the

poor, to save him from those that condemn his soul.

PSALM 110

1. The LORD said unto my

Lord. Sit thou at my right hand, until I make thine

enemies thy footstool.

2. The LORD shall send the rod of thy

strength out of Zion: rule thou in the midst of thine enemies.

3. Thy people shall

be willing in the day

of thy power,

in the beauties of holiness from the womb of the morning; thou hast the dew of thy youth.

 The LORD hath sworn. and will not repent,

Thou *art* a priest for ever

after the order of

Melchizedek.

5. The Lord at thy right hand

shall strike through kings in the day of his wrath.

6. He shall judge among

the heathen, he shall fill the places with the dead bodies:

he shall wound the heads

over many countries.

7. He shall drink of the brook in the way: therefore shall he lift up the head.

PSALM 111

1. Praise ye the LORD. I will praise the LORD with my whole heart,

in the assembly of the upright, and in the congregation.

2. The works of the LORD

are great.

sought out

of all them that have pleasure therein.

3. His work is honourable

and alorious; and

his righteousness

endureth for ever.

4. He hath made his wonderful

works to

be remembered: the

LORD is gracious and

full of compassion.

5. He hath given meat unto them that fear him:

he will ever be mindful of his covenant.

6. He hath shewed his

people the power of

his works, that he may give them the heritage of the heathen.

7. The works of his hands are verity and judgment;

all his commandments are sure.

8. They stand fast

for ever and ever. and are done in truth

and uprightness.

9. He sent redemption unto

his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever:

holy and reverend

is his name.

10. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom:

a good understanding have all they that do his commandments; his praise endureth for ever.

PSALM 112

1. Praise ye the LORD.

Blessed is the man that ■ feareth the LORD, that

> delighteth greatly in his commandments.

2. His seed shall be mighty

upon earth: the generation of the upright shall be blessed.

3. Wealth and riches shall

be in his house: and his righteousness endureth for ever. 4. Unto the upright there

ariseth liaht in the

darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion,

and righteous.

5. A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth:

he will guide his

affairs with discretion.

6. Surely he shall not be

moved for ever:

the righteous shall

be in everlasting remembrance.

7. He shall

not be afraid of evil tidings:

his heart is fixed.

trusting in the LORD.

8. His heart is established, he shall not be afraid, until he see his desire. upon his enemies.

He hath dispersed,

he hath given to the poor: his righteousness endureth

for ever: his horn shall

be exalted with honour.

10. The wicked shall see it.

and be grieved; he shall gnash with his teeth.

and melt away: the desire of the wicked shall perish.

PSALM 113

 Praise ye the LORD. Praise, O ye servants of the LORD,

praise the name of the LORD.

> 2. Blessed be the name of the LORD from this time forth and

for evermore.

From the rising of the sun unto the going down

of the same

the LORD's name is to be praised.

4. The LORD is high above all nations, and his glory

above the heavens.

5. Who is like unto the LORD our God, who dwelleth on high.

6 Who humbleth himself to behold the things that are

- in heaven, and in theearth!
- 7. He raiseth up
- the poor out of the dust,
- and lifteth the
- needy out of the dunghill;
- 8. That he may set him with princes,

even with the princes of his people.

- 9. He maketh the barren
- woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children.
- Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 114

- 1. When Israel went out
 - of Egypt, the house of Jacob from a people of strange language;
 - 2. Judah was his sanctuary, and Israel his dominion.
- 3. The sea saw it, and
- fled: Jordan was
 - driven back.
- 4. The mountains skipped like rams.

and the little hills like lambs.

- 5. What ailed thee,
- O thou sea, that thou fleddest?
- thou Jordan,

that thou wast driven back?

- 6. Ye mountains, that ye skipped like rams; and ye little hills, like lambs?
- 7. Tremble, thou earth,
- at the presence of the Lord, at the presence of the God of Jacob:
- 8 Which turned
- the rock into a standing
- water, the flint into a fountain of waters.

PSALM 115

- 1. Not unto us,
- O LORD, not unto us, but
- unto thy name give glory, for thy mercy, and for thy
- truth's sake.
- 2. Wherefore should the
- heathen say, Where is now
- their God?
- 3. But our God is in the
- heavens: he hath done
- whatsoever he hath

- I pleased.
- 4. Their idols are silver and gold.
- the work of men's hands.
- 5. They have mouths, but they speak not: eyes
 - have they, but they see not:
 - 6. They have
 - ears, but they
- hear not: noses have they,
- | **but** they

- smell not:
 - 7. They have hands, but they
- handle not: feet have they,but they walk not: neither
 - speak they through their throat.
- 8. They that make
- them are like unto
- **them**; so is every one that trusteth in them.
- 9. O Israel, trust thou in the LORD:
 - he is their help and their shield.

 10. O house of Aaron, trust in the LORD: he is their help
- and their shield.

 11. Ye that fear the LORD,
- trust in the LORD: he is their help and their
- shield.
 - 1 12 The LORD
- hath been mindful of us: he
 will bless us; he will bless the
 house of Israel: he will bless the
 - house of Aaron.

 13. He will bless
 - them that fear the LORD.
- both small and great.
- 14. The LORD shall
 - increase you more and more, you and your children.
 - 15. Ye are blessed
- of the LORD
 - which made heaven and earth.
- 16. **The** heaven, even the
- heavens, *are* the LORD's:
- but the earth hath he given to the children of men.
- 17. The dead praise not the
- LORD, neither any that go down into silence.
- 18. But we will bless the

- I = I LORD from this time forth and
- for evermore. Praise the LORD.

- 1 1. I love the LORD.
- because he hath
- heard my voice and my
- supplications.
 - 2 Because he hath inclined his ear unto me.
- therefore will I call upon
- him as long as I live.
- 3. The sorrows of death compassed me, and
 - the pains of
- hell aat hold upon me:
 - I found trouble and sorrow.
- 4. Then called I upon the name of
- the LORD: O LORD.
- I beseech thee.
- deliver my soul.
- 5. Gracious is the LORD, and righteous:
 - yea, our God is merciful.
- 6. The LORD preserveth the simple: I was brought low.
- and he helped me.
- 7. Return unto thy rest. O my soul; for the LORD hath
- dealt bountifully with thee.
- 8. For thou hast delivered
 - my soul from death. mine eyes from tears, and my feet

from falling.

- 9. I will walk before
- the LORD in the land
- of the living.
- 10. I believed, therefore have I spoken:
 - I was greatly afflicted:
- 11. I said in my haste,
- All men are liars.
- 12. What shall I render unto
- the LORD for all his benefits toward me?
- 13. I will take the cup ■ of salvation, and
- call upon the name of
- the LORD.
 - 14. I will pay my vows unto the LORD now in the presence of all his people.
 - 15. Precious in the sight

- of the LORD is the death
- of his saints.
- 16. O LORD.

truly I am thy servant;

I am thy servant,

and the son of thine handmaid:

- thou hast loosed
- my bonds.
- 17. I will offer to thee
 - the sacrifice of
- thanksgiving, and will
 - call upon the name of
- the LORD.

- 18. I will pay my vows unto
 - the LORD now
- in the presence of all
 - his people.
 - 19. In the courts of the LORD's house, in the midst of thee, O. Jerusalem. Praise ve the LORD.

PSALM 117

- O praise the LORD,
- all ye nations: praise him,
- all ye people.
- 2. For his merciful
- kindness is great toward us:
- and the
- truth of the LORD
 - endureth for ever.
- Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 118

- 1. O give thanks unto the LORD; for he is good: because his mercy endureth for ever.
- 2. Let Israel now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.
- Let the house of Aaron now say, that his mercy endureth for ever.
 - Let them now
- that fear the LORD say, that
 - his mercy *endureth*
 - for ever.
 - Lealled upon the LORD in distress: the LOBD answered me, and set me in a large place.
- The LORD is on my side; I will not fear:
 - what can man do unto me?
 - 7. The LORD taketh my part with them that help me: therefore shall I see my desire upon them that hate me.

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- 8. It is better to trust in
 the LORD than to put
 confidence in man.
 - 9. It is better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes.
- 10. All nations
- | compassed me about:
- but in the name of the LORD will I destroy them.
 - They compassed me about; yea, they compassed me about: but in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.
 - 12. They compassed me about like bees: they are quenched as the fire of thorns: for in the name of the LORD I will destroy them.
- 13. Thou hast thrust sore at me that I might fall: but the
 LORD helped me.
- 14. The LORD is my strength
- and song, and is becomemy salvation.
 - 15. The voice of
- rejoicing and salvation is in the tabernacles of the
- righteous: the right hand of the LORD doeth valiantly.
- 16. The right hand of the LORD is exalted: the right hand
- of the LORD doeth valiantly.

 17. **I shall** not die, but live, and
- declare the works
- of the LORD.

 18. The LORD hath
- chastened me sore:
 - but he hath
- **not** given me over
- unto death.
- 19. **Open** to me
- the gates of righteousness:
- I will go into them, and will praise the LORD:
 - 20. This gate of the LORD, into which the righteous shall enter.
 - 21. I will praise thee: for thou hast heard me, and art become my salvation.
- 22. The stone which the builders refused is
- become the head *stone* of the corner.
- 23. This is the LORD'S doing; ■ it is marvellous in our eyes.

- 24. This is the day which the LORD hath made: we will
- rejoice and be glad in it.
- l rejoice and be glad in i
- 25. Save now,
 - I beseech thee, O LORD:
- O LORD, I beseech thee,
- send now
- prosperity.
- 26. Blessed be he that
- cometh in the name of the LORD:
- we have blessed you out of the house of the LORD.
 - 27. God is the LORD,
- which hath shewed us light:

bind the sacrifice with cords, even unto the horns of the altar.

- 28. Thou *art* my God, and I will praise thee:
 - thou art my God, I will exalt thee.
- 29. O give thanks unto
- | the LORD; for *he is* good:
- for his mercy
- endureth for ever.

PSALM 119

- | 1. Blessed are
- the undefiled
 - in the way,
- who walk in the law
- of the LORD.
 - 2. Blessed are they
- that keep
- his testimonies, and
- that seek him with the
- whole heart.
 - 3. They also do no iniquity:
- they walk in his ways.
- 4. Thou hast commandedus to keep thy precepts
 - diligently.
 - 5. O that my ways were directed to keep thy statutes!
- 6. Then shall I not be
- **ashamed**, when I have respect unto all thy commandments.
- 7. I will praise thee with uprightness of heart,
 - when I shall have learned thy righteous judgments.
- 8. I will keep thy statutes:
 - O forsake me not utterly.
 - 9. Wherewithal shall a

young man cleanse his way? by taking heed

to thy word.

■ 10. With my whole heart

have I sought thee: 0
let me not wander from thy commandments.

11. Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

12. Blessed art thou.

O LORD: teach me

■ thy statutes.

13. With my lips have I declared all the judgments of thy mouth.

14. I have rejoiced in the way of
 thy testimonies.

as much as in all riches.

15. I will meditate

in thy precepts,

and have respect unto thy ways.

16. I will delight myself in

thy statutes: I will not forget thy word.

17. **Deal bountifully with thy**

servant, that I may live, andkeep thy word.

18. **Open** thou

mine eyes, that I may

behold wondrous things out of thy law.

■ 19. I am a stranger in the

earth: hide not thy commandments from me.

20. My soul breaketh for the longing *that it hath* unto thy judgments at all times.

■ 21. Thou hast rebuked

■ the proud that are cursed.

which do err from thy

commandments.
22. Remove from me

reproach and contempt;

for I have kept thy testimonies. 23. **Princes** also did sit and

speak against me: but thy servant did meditate in thy statutes.

24. Thy testimonies also

are my delight and my counsellors.

25. My soul cleaveth unto the dust:

| quicken thou

me according to thy word.

26. I have declared my ways, and thou heardest me:

teach me thy statutes.

27. Make me to understand the way of

thy precepts: so shall I talkof thy wondrous works.

28. My soul melleth for heaviness:

■ strengthen thou

me according unto thy word.

29. Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.

30. I have chosen the

way of truth:

thy judgments have I laid before me.

■ 31. I have stuck unto thy testimonies: O LORD.

put me not to shame.

32. I will run the way of thy commandments, when thou shalt

enlarge my heart.

33. Teach me, O LORD, the way of

■ thy statutes;

and I shall keep it unto the end.

34. Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with my whole heart.

35. Make me to go in the path of thy

in the path of thycommandments;

for therein do I delight.

36. Incline my heart un

36. Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

37. Turn away

mine eyes from

beholding vanity;

and quicken thou me in thy way.

38. **Stablish thy word**

38. Stablish thy word unto thy servant,

who is devoted to thy fear.

39. Turn away my reproach which I fear:

for thy judgments

■ are good.

40. Behold,

■ I have longed after

thy precepts: quicken me in thy righteousness.

- 41. Let thy mercies come also untó me, O LORD, even thy salvation. according to thy word. 42. So shall I have wherewith to answer him that reproacheth me: for I trust in thy word. 43. And take not the word of truth utterly out of my mouth:

for I have hoped in thy judgments.

44. So shall I keep thy law continually

for ever and ever. 45. And I will walk at liberty: for I seek thy precepts.

46. I will speak of thy ■ testimonies also before kings. and will not be ashamed.

■ 47. And I will delight myself in thy commandments.

which I have loved.

48. My hands also will I lift up unto thy commandments, which I have loved;

and I will meditate in thy statutes.

49. Remember the word unto thy servant,

upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

50. This is my comfort in my affliction:

for thy word hath quickened me.

51. The proud have had

me greatly

in derision: yet have I not declined from thy law.

52. I remembered thy **■ judgments** of old, O LORD;

and have

comforted myself.

53. Horror hath taken hold

upon me because of the wicked that

| forsake thy law.

54. Thy statutes have been my songs in the house of my pilgrimage.

■ 55. have

remembered thy name.

O LORD, in the night,

and have kept thy law.

56. This I had, because

I kept thy precepts.

57. Thou art my portion. O

= 1 LORD: I have

said that

I would keep thy words.

58. I entreated thy favour with my whole heart:

be merciful unto me

according to thy word.

59. I thought on my ways, and

turned my feet unto thy testimonies.

60. I made haste.

and delayed not

to keep thy commandments.

The bands of the

wicked have robbed me:

but I have not forgotten thy law.

62. At midnight

I will rise to

aive thanks unto thee because of thy

righteous judgments.

63. I *am* a companion of all them that fear thee.

and of them that keep thy precepts.

64. The earth, O LORD, is full of thy mercy: teach me thy statutes.

> Thou hast dealt well with thy servant, O LORD, according unto thy word.

66. Teach me good judgment and knowledge:

for I have believed thy commandments.

67. **Before I was afflicted** I went astray: but now have I kept thy word.

68. Thou art good, and doest good; teach me thy statutes.

69. The proud have forged a lie against me: *but* I will keep thy precepts

with my whole heart.

70. Their heart is as fat as grease; but I delight in thy law.

71. *It is* **good** for me

that I have been afflicted;

that I might learn

thy statutes.

72. The law of thy

mouth is better unto me than thousands of

gold and silver.

73. Thy hands have made me and

fashioned me: give me understanding, that I may learn thy commandments.

74. They that fear thee will be glad when they see me;

because I have hoped in thy word.

75. I know, O LORD,

that thy judgments are right, and that thou in faithfulness

hast afflicted me.

76. Let. I pray thee.

thy merciful kindness be for my comfort,

according to thy word unto thy servant.

77. Let thy tender mercies come unto me, that I may live:

for thy law is my delight. 78. Let the proud be

ashamed; for they dealt perversely with me without a cause: but I will meditate

in thy precepts.

79. Let those that fear thee turn unto me, and those that have known thy testimonies.

80. Let my heart be sound in thy statutes; that I be

not ashamed. 81. My soul fainteth for thy salvation: but I hope

in thy word.

82. Mine eyes fail for thy word, saying, When wilt thou comfort me?

> 83. For I am become like a bottle in the smoke; yet do I not forget thy statutes.

84. How many are the days ■ of thy servant? when wilt thou execute judgment on them that persecute me?

85. The proud have digged pits for me, which are not

| after thy law.

All thy commandments are faithful: they persecute me wrongfully; help thou me.

87. They had almost consumed me upon earth;

but I forsook not

thy precepts. 88. Quicken me

after thy lovingkindness:

so shall I keep the **festimony** of thy mouth.

89. For ever, O LORD, thy word is settled in heaven.

90. Thy faithfulness is unto all generations: thou hast established the earth, and it abideth.

91. **They continue** this day

according to thine ordinances:

for all are thy servants.

92. Unless thy law had been my delights, I should then have perished in mine affliction.

93. I will never forget thy precepts:

for with them thou hast quickened me.

94. I am thine, save me:

for I have sought thy precepts.

95. The wicked have waited for me

to destroy me: but I will

consider thy testimonies. 96. **I have seen an end of all**

perfection: but thy commandment is exceeding broad.

> 97. O how I love thy law! it

is my meditation all the

day.

98. Thou through thy commandments hast

made me wiser than mine enemies: for they are ever with me.

99. I have more

understanding than all my teachers: for thy testimonies

are my meditation.

100. Lunderstand more than the ancients.

because I keep thy precepts.

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101. I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word. . 102. I have not departed from thy judgments: for thou hast taught me. 103. How sweet are thy ■ words unto my taste! *yea, sweeter* than honey to my mouth! 104. Through thy precepts l aet understandina: therefore I hate every false way. 105. Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path. 106. I have sworn. and I will perform it, that I will keep thy righteous judgments. 107. I am afflicted very much: quicken me. O LORD. according unto thy word. 108. Accept, I beseech thee, the freewill offerings of my mouth, O LORD, and teach me thy judgments. 109. My soul is continually in my hand; yet do I not forget thy law. 110. The wicked have laid a ■ snare for me: yet I erred not from thy precepts. 111. Thy testimonies have I taken as an heritage for ever: for they *are* the rejoicing of my heart. ■ 1 112. I have inclined mine heart to perform thy statutes alway, even unto the end. ■ 113. I hate vain thoughts: but thy law do I love. ■ 114. **Thou art** my hiding place and ■ | my shield: I hope ■ I in thy word. ■ 115. Depart from me, ye evildoers: for I will keep the commandments of my God. 116. Uphold me according unto

thy word, that I may live:

and let me not be ashamed of my hope. 117. **Hold** thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually. 118. Thou hast trodden down all them that err from thy statutes: for their deceit is falsehood. 119. Thou puttest away all the wicked of the earth like dross: therefore I love thy testimonies. 120. My flesh trembleth for fear of thee; and I am afraid of thy judaments. 121. I have done judgment and justice: leave me not to mine oppressors. 122. Be surety for thy servant for good: let not the proud oppress me. 123. Mine eyes fail for thy salvation, and for the word of thy righteousness. 124. Deal with thy servant according unto thy mercy, and teach me thy statutes. 125. I am thy servant; give me understanding, that I may know thy testimonies. 126. It is time for thee, LORD, to work: for they have made void thy law. 127. Therefore I love thy commandments above gold; yea, above fine gold. 128. Therefore I esteem all thy precepts concerning all things to be right; and I hate . every false way. 129. Thy testimonies are wonderful: therefore doth my soul keep them. 130. The entrance of thy words giveth light; it giveth

understanding unto the simple. 131. Lopened my mouth, and panted:

I longed for thy commandments.

132. Look thou upon me, and

be merciful unto me, as thou usest

to do unto

those that love thy name.

133. Order my steps in thy word: and let not any

iniquity have

dominion over me.

134. Deliver me from the

oppression of man: so will

I keep thy precepts.

135. Make thy face to shine upon thy servant; and teach me thy statutes.

136. Rivers of waters run

down mine eyes, because

they keep not thy law. 137. Righteous art thou, O LORD,

and upright are thy

judgments.

138. Thy testimonies that thou hast commanded

are righteous and very faithful.

139. My zeal hath

consumed me, because mine enemies have

forgotten thy words.

140. Thy word is very pure: therefore thy servant

loveth it.

141. **I am small** and despised:

yet do not I forget thy precepts. 142. Thy righteousness is an

everlasting righteousness.

and thy law is the truth.

143. Trouble and anguish

have taken hold on me:

yet thy commandments are my delights.

144. The righteousness of thy testimonies

is everlasting:

give me understanding. and I shall live.

145. I cried with my whole

heart; hear me, O LORD:

I will keep thy statutes.

146. I cried unto thee; save me. and I shall keep

thy testimonies.

> 147. I prevented the dawning of the morning, and cried:

I hoped in thy word.

148. Mine eyes prevent the *night* watches, that I might meditate in thy word.

149. Hear my voice according unto thy lovingkindness: O LORD, quicken me according to thy judgment.

150. **They draw nigh that** follow after mischief: they are far from thy law.

151 Thou art near,

O LORD; and all

thy commandments are truth.

152. Concerning thy testimonies,

I have known of old that

thou hast founded them for ever.

153. Consider mine

> affliction, and deliver me: for I do not forget thy law.

154. Plead my cause, and

deliver me: quicken me according to thy word.

155. Salvation is far from the wicked: for they seek not thy statutes.

156. Great are thy tender mercies, O LORD: quicken me

according to thy judgments.

157. **Many** *are* **my**

persecutors and mine enemies: *yet* do I not decline from thy

testimonies.

158. I beheld the transgressors, and was grieved; because they

kept not thy word.

159. Consider how I love thy

precepts: quicken me, O LORD, according to thy

lovingkindness.

160. Thy word is true

from the beginning: and every one of

thy righteous judgments endureth for ever.

161. Princes have

persecuted me without a cause:

but my heart standethin awe of thy word.

■ 162. I rejoice at thy word, as one that findeth great spoil.

■ 163. I hate and abhor

lying: but thy law do I love.
 164. Seven times a day do I praise thee because of thy righteous judgments.

■ 165. Great peace have they which love thy law:

and nothing shall offend them. 166. LORD, I have hoped for thy salvation, and done thy commandments.

167. My soul hath kept thy testimonies; and I love them exceedingly.

■ 168. I have kept thy

precepts and thy testimonies:
for all my ways are

before thee.

169. Let my cry come near
 before thee, O LORD: give
 me understanding
 according to thy word.

170. Let my supplication come before thee: deliver

me according to thy word.
171. My lips shall utter

praise, when thou hast taught me thy statutes.

172. My tongue shall speak of thy word: for all thy commandments are righteousness.

■ 173. Let thine hand help me; for I have chosen

■ thy precepts.

■ 174. I have longed for thy salvation, O LÖRD; and thy law is my delight.

■ 175. Let my soul live,

and it shall praise thee; and let thy judgments help me.

■ 176. I have gone astray like a lost sheep;

seek thy servant; forI do not forget thy

commandments.

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1. In my distress I cried unto the LORD, and he

■ heard me.

2. **Deliver my soul, O LORD,** from lying lips, and

■ from a deceitful tongue.

3. What shall be

given unto thee? or what shall be done unto thee.

■ thou false tongue?

4. Sharp arrows of the mighty,

■ with coals of juniper.
5. Woe is me.

that I sojourn in Mesech, that I dwell in the tents of Kedar!

■ 6. My soul hath long

dwelt with him thathateth peace.

7. I am for peace: but when I speak, they are for war.

PSALM 121

■ 1. I will lift up mine eyes

unto the hills, from whence cometh my help.

2. My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven

■ and earth.

3. He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

■ 4. Behold, he that keepeth

Israel shall neither

5. The LORD is thy keeper: the LORD is thy shade upon thy right hand.

■ 6. The sun shall not smite

■ thee by day, nor the

moon by night.
The LORD shall

preserve thee from all

evil: he shall preserve thy soul.

■ 8. The LORD shall

preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this

time forth, and even for evermore.

PSALM 122

■ 1. I was glad when they

said unto me, Let us go into the house of the LORD.

■ 2. Our feet shall stand

■ | within thy gates,■ | O Jerusalem.

- 3. Jerusalem is builded as a city that is compact together:
- 4. Whither the tribes go up,
- the tribes of the LORD, unto the testimony of Israel, to
- give thanks unto the
- name of the LORD.
- 5. For there are setthrones of judgment,
 - the thrones of the house of David.
- 6. Pray for the peace of
- Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee.
- 7. Peace be within thy walls, and prosperity
- within thy palaces.
- 8. For my brethren
- sakes, I will now
- say, Peace be within thee.
- 9 Because of the house of
- the LORD our God
- I will seek thy good.

PSALM 123

- 1. Unto thee lift I
- up mine eyes, O thou that dwellest in the heavens.
 Behold.
- **as the** eyes of
- servants look unto the hand of
- their masters, and as the eyes of a maiden unto the hand of her mistress:
- so our eyes wait upon
- the LORD our God.
- until that
- he have mercy upon us.
 - Have mercy upon us, O LORD, have mercy upon us: for we are exceedingly filled with contempt.
- 4. Our soul is exceedingly
- filled with the scorning of
- those that are
- at ease, *and* with the
- contempt of the proud.

PSALM 124

- 1. If it had not been the LORD who was on our side.
- |■| now may Israel say;

- 1 2. If it had not been
- I the LORD who was
- on our side, when men rose up against us:
 - 3. Then they had swallowed us up quick,
- when their wrath was kindled against us:
 - 4. Then the waters had overwhelmed us, the stream had gone over our soul:
- 5. Then the proud waters
- had gone over our soul.

 Blessed be the LORD.
 - who hath not given us
- as a prey to their teeth.
- 7. Our soul is escaped
 as a bird out of the snare of the lowlers: the snare is broken, and we are escaped.
- 8. Our help is in the name of the LORD.
- who made heaven and earth.

PSALM 125

- 1. They that trust in the LORD shall be as mount Zion, which cannot be removed, but
- abideth for ever.
 - 2. As the mountains are
- round about
 - Jerusalem, so the LORD
- is round about
- his people

from henceforth even for ever.

- 1 3. For the rod of
- the wicked shall
 not rest upon the lot of
- the righteous; lest the
- righteous put forth their
- hands unto iniquity.

 4. Do good, O LORD,
- unto those that be good, and
- to them that are upright
- in their hearts.
- 5. As for such as turn aside unto their crooked ways,
- the LORD shall
- lead them forth
- with the workers
- of iniquity: but
- peace *shall be* upon Israel.

- 1 1. When the LORD turned again the captivity of Zion, we were like them that dream.
- 2. Then was our mouth filled
- with laughter, and our tongue with singing: then
- said they among the
- heathen. The LORD hath done great things for them.
- 3. The LORD hath done great things for us;
 - whereof we are glad.
 - 4. Turn again our captivity, O LORD, as the streams in the south.
- 5. They that sow in tears ■ shall reap in joy.
- 6. He that goeth forth and
- weepeth, bearing precious
- seed, shall doubtless ■ come again with rejoicing,
- bringing his sheaves
- with him.

PSALM 127

- 1. Except the LORD build the house, they labour in vain that build it:
- except the LORD keep
- the city, the watchman
- waketh but in vain.
- 2. It is vain for you to rise up early, to sit up late, to
- eat the bread of sorrows:
- for so he giveth his
- beloved sleep.
- 3. Lo, children are an
- heritage of the LORD: and
 - the fruit of the womb is
 - his reward.
- 4. As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so
- are children of the youth.
- 5. Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them:
 - they shall not be ashamed. but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate.

PSALM 128

1. Blessed is every one that |■| feareth the LORD:

- that walketh in his ways.
- 2. For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands:
- happy shalf thou be, and it
 - shall be well with thee.
 - 3. Thy wife shall be
 - as a fruitful vine
 - by the sides of thine house:
- thy children like olive
- plants round about thy table.
 - 4. Behold, that

- thus shall the man be
- blessed that feareth
 - the LORD.
- The LORD shall bless thee out of
- Zion: and thou shalt see the good of Jerusalem all
 - the days of
- thy life. 6. Yea, thou shalt see thy
- children's children, and
 - peace upon Israel.

PSALM 129

- 1. Many a time have they afflicted me
 - from my youth, may Israel now say:
 - Many a time have they afflicted me from my youth:
- yet they have not prevailed against me.
- 3. The plowers plowed upon my back:
 - they made long their furrows.
- 4. The LORD is righteous; he
- hath cut asunder the
- cords of the wicked.
 - Let them all
- be confounded and turned back
- that hate Zion.
- Let them be as the grass upon the housetops.
- which withereth
 - afore it groweth up:
 - Wherewith the mower filleth not his hand; nor he that bindeth sheaves his bosom.
- Neither do they which go by
- say. The blessing of the LORD *be* upon you:
 - we bless you in the name of the LORD.

- 1 1. Out of the depths have I cried unto thee. O LORD.
- 2. Lord. hear my voice:

let thine ears

- be attentive to the voice of my supplications.
- 3. If thou, LORD, shouldest
- mark iniquities. O Lord. who shall stand?
- 4 But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou mayest
 - be feared 5 I wait for the LORD.
- my soul doth wait.
- and in his word do I hope.
- 6. My soul waiteth
- for the Lord more
- than they that watch
- for the morning:

I say, more than they that watch for the morning.

- 7. Let Israel hope in the LORD: for with the LORD
- there is mercy, and with him is plenteous redemption.
- 8. And he shall redeem
- Israel from all
- his iniquities.

PSALM 131

- Lord, my heart is not
- haughty, nor mine eyes lofty:
- neither do I exercise myself in great matters.

or in things too high for me.

- 2. Surely I have behaved and quieted
- myself, as a child
- that is weaned

of his mother; my soul is even as a weaned child.

- 3. Let Israel hope
- in the LORD from henceforth and for ever

PSALM 132

- 1 1. Lord. remember David, and all his afflictions:
- 2. How he sware unto the
- LORD, and vowed unto the mighty God of Jacob:
- 3. Surely I will not come into

- the tabernacle of my house.
- **nor** go up into my bed:
 - 4. I will not

- give sleep to mine eyes.
 - or slumber to mine eyelids.
 - 5 Until I find
 - out a place for the LORD.
- an habitation for the mighty God of Jacob.
 - Lo. we heard of it at Ephratah: we found it in the fields of the wood. 7. We will go into his
- tabernacies: we will worship at his footstool.
 - 8. Arise, O LORD, into thy rest; thou, and the ark of thy strength.
- 9. Let thy priests be clothed with righteousness; and let thy saints shout for joy.
 - 10. For thy servant David's sake turn not away the face of thine anointed. 11. The LORD hath sworn in
- truth unto David:

he will not turn from it:

- Of the fruit of thy body will I set upon thy throne.
 - 12. If thy children will keep my covenant and my testimony that I shall teach them.
 - their children shall also sit upon thy throne
 - for evermore.
- 13. For the LORD hath chosen Zion: he hath desired it. for his habitation.
 - 14. This is my rest for ever; here will I dwell: for I have desired it.
- 15. I will abundantly bless her provision: I will satisfy her poor with bread.
 - 16. I will also
- clothe her priests with salvation: and her saints shall shout aloud
- for iov.
- 17. There will I make the horn of David to
- bud: I have ordained a lamp for mine anointed.
 - 18. His enemies will I clothe with shame:
- but upon himself shall his crown flourish.

- 1. Behold, how good and how pleasant
- it is for brethren
- to dwell together
- in unity!
- 2. It is like the precious ■ ointment upon the head.
- that ran down upon
 - the beard, even
- Agron's beard: that went down
- I to the skirts of his
- garments:
 - 3. As the dew of Hermon,
- and as the dew that descended
- | upon the mountains of
- Zion: for there the LORD
- commanded the blessing, even
- life for evermore.

PSALM 134

- 1. Behold,
- bless ve the LORD, all ye servants of the LORD.
- which by night
- stand in the house
- of the LORD.
- 2. Lift up your hands in the sanctuary.
- and bless the LORD.
- 3. The LORD
 - that made heaven and earth
- bless thee out of Zion.

PSALM 135

- 1. Praise ye the LORD. Praise ve the name of the LORD; praise him, O ye servants of the LORD.
- 2. Ye that stand in the
- house of the LORD, in the courts of the house of our God.
- 3. Praise the LORD:
- for the LORD is good: sing praises unto his name;
 - for it is pleasant.
- 4. For the LORD hath chosen Jacob unto himself, and
- Israel for his peculiar ■ treasure.
- 5. For I know that
- | the LORD is great, and that our Lord is above all gods.
- 6 Whatsoever the LORD

- pleased, that did he in
- heaven, and in
 - earth.

- in the seas, and all deep places.
 - 7. He causeth the
- vapours to ascend
 - from the ends of the earth; he maketh lightnings for the
- rain; he bringeth the wind out of his treasuries.
- 8. Who smote the firstborn
 - of Egypt, both of man and beast.
- 9. Who sent tokens and
- wonders into the
- midst of thee, O
- Egypt, upon Pharaoh. and upon all his servants.
- 10. Who smote great
- nations, and slew mighty kings;
 - 11. Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan:
- 12. And gave their land for
 - an heritage, an heritage
- unto Israel his people.
- 13. Thy name, O LORD, endureth for ever:
 - and thy memorial, O LORD,
 - throughout all generations. 14. For the LORD will judge
- his people, and he will repent himself concerning his servants.
- 15. The idols of the heathen are silver and gold.
- the work of men's hands.
- 16. They have mouths, but
- they speak not; eyes have they, but they see not:
 - 17. They have ears, but
- they hear not; neither
- is there any breath in their mouths.
- 18. They that make them are
- like unto them: so is every one that
- trusteth in them.
 - 19. Bless the LORD, O house of Israel: bless the LORD, O house of Aaron:
- 20. Bless the LORD.
 - O house of Levi:
- ye that fear the LORD.
 - bless the LORD.

Blessed be the LORD out of Zion. which dwelleth at Jerusalem. Praise ve the LORD.

PSALM 136

■ 1 1. O give thanks unto

the LORD; for he is good: for his mercy endureth for ever.

- 2. O give thanks unto the God of gods: for his mercy endureth for ever. 3. O give thanks to
- the Lord of lords: for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 4. To him who alone doeth
- **great wonders:** for his mercy endureth for ever.
 - 5 To him
- that by wisdom made the
- heavens: for his mercy endureth for ever.
 - 6 To him
- that stretched out
- the earth above the waters:

for his mercy endureth for ever.

7. To him

that made great lights:

for his mercy endureth for ever:

- 8. The sun to rule by day:
- for his mercy endureth for ever:
- 9. The moon and stars to rule by night:

for his mercy endureth for ever.

- 10. To him that smote Egypt
 - in their firstborn:

for his mercy endureth for ever:

■ 11. And brought out Israel from among them:

for his mercy endureth for ever:

- 12. With a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm: for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 13. To him

which divided the Red sea into parts: for his

mercy endureth for ever:

14. And made Israel to pass through the midst of it: for his mercy endureth for ever:

15. But overthrew Pharach

- and his host in the Red sea:
- for his mercy endureth for ever. 16. To him which led his
- people through the

wilderness: for his mercy endureth for ever.

17. To him

which smote great kings:

for his mercy endureth for ever:

- 18. And slew famous kings; for his mercy endureth for ever:
- 19. Sihon king of the Amorites: for his mercy endureth for ever:
- 20. And Og the king of Bashan: for his mercy endureth for ever:
- 21. And gave their land for
- an heritage: for his mercy endureth for ever:
 - 22. Even an heritage
- unto Israel his servant: for his mercy endureth for ever.
- 23. Who remembered us in our low estate: for his mercy endureth for ever:
- 24. And hath

- redeemed us from
 - our enemies:

for his mercy endureth for ever.

- 25. Who giveth food
 - to all flesh:

for his mercy endureth for ever.

- 26. O give thanks unto the
- God of heaven: for his mercy endureth for ever.

PSALM 137

- 1. By the rivers of Babylon, there we sal down, yea.
- we wept, when we
- remembered Zion.
- We hanged our harps upon the willows in the midst thereof.
- 3. For there they that
- carried us away
- captive required of us
 - a song; and they that wasted us required of us mirth,
- *saying*, Sing us *one*
- of the songs of Zion.
- 4. How shall we sing
- the LORD's song in a strange land?
- If I forget thee,
- O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget her cunning.
 - 6. If I do not remember thee.

- let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth; if I prefer not Jerusalem above my chief joy.
- 7. Remember, O LORD, the children of Edom in the day of Jerusalem; who said,
- Rase it. rase it. even
- to the foundation thereof.
- 8. O daughter of
- Babylon, who art
 - to be destroyed; happy shall he be, that rewardeth thee as thou hast served us.
- 9. Happy shall he be,
- I that taketh and dasheth
- I thy little ones against
- I the stones.

PSALM 138

- 1. I will praise thee with my whole heart: before the gods will I sing praise unto thee.
- 2. I will worship toward thy ■ holy temple, and praise thy ■ name for thy
- lovingkindness and for thy
- | truth: for thou hast
- magnified thy word above all thy name.
- 3. In the day when
- I cried thou answeredst
- me, and strengthenedst me with strength in
- my soul.
- 4. All the kings of the earth
- shall praise thee, o LORD,
- when they hear the words of thy mouth.
 - 5. Yea, they shall sing in the ways of the LORD: for great is the glory of the LORD.
- 6. Though the LORD be high. yet hath he respect unto the lowly: but the proud he
- knoweth afar off.
- 7. Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me:
- thou shalt stretch forth
- thine hand against the wrath of
 - mine enemies, and
 - thy right hand shall save me.
- 8. The LORD will perfect that

- which concerneth me: thy mercy. O LORD.
- endureth for ever: forsake not
- the works of thine own hands.

PSALM 139

- 1. O lord, thou hast searched me. and
- known me.
- 2. Thou knowest my downsitting and mine
- uprising, thou understandest
- my thought afar off.
- Thou compassest my
- path and my lying down,
- and art acquainted
- with all my ways.
- 4. For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo. O LORD.
- thou knowest it altogether.
- Thou hast beset me behind and before, and
- laid thine hand upon me.
- 6. Such knowledge is too
- wonderful for me; it is high, I cannot *attain* unto it.
 - 7. Whither shall I go from thy spirit? or whither shall I flee from
- thy presence? 8. If I ascend up
- into heaven, thou art there:
- if I make my bed
 - in hell, behold.
- thou art there.
 - 9. If I take the wings of the morning, and
- dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea;
- 10. Even there shall thy hand lead me,
 - and thy right hand shall hold me.
- 11. If I say, Surely the darkness shall cover me;
 - even the night shall be light about me. 12. Yea, the darkness hidelh not from thee:
 - **but** the night shineth as the day:
- the darkness and the light are both alike to thee.
 - For thou hast possessed my reins: thou hast covered me in my mother's womb.

- 14. I will praise thee; for I
- am fearfully and
- wonderfully made: marvellous are thy works; and that my soul knoweth right well.
- 15. My substance was not
- hid from thee, when I was
 - made in secret, and curiously wrought in the lowest parts of the earth.
- 16. Thine eyes did see my substance, yet being unperfect; and in thy book all my
- members were written.
- which in continuance were
- fashioned, when as vet there was none of them.
- 17. How precious also are thy thoughts unto me.
 - O God! how great is the sum of them! 18. If I should count them.
- they are more in number
- than the sand: when I awake. I am still with thee.
- 19. Surely thou wilt slay the
 - wicked. O God: depart from me therefore, ve bloody men.
- 20. For they speak against thee wickedly, and thine enemies
- take thy name in vain. 21. Do not I hate them.
- O LORD, that hate thee?
 - and am not I grieved with those that rise up against thee?
 - 22. I hate them with perfect hatred: I count them mine enemies.
- 23. Search me, O God, and ■ know my heart; try me, and ■ know my thoughts:
- 24. And see if there be any
- wicked way in me,
- and lead me in the
- | way everlasting.

PSALM 140

- 1. Deliver me, O LORD, from the evil man
 - preserve me from the violent man;
- Which imagine mischiefs in their heart:
- continually are they gathered together for war.
 - 3. They have sharpened their

- tongues like a serpent:
- adders' poison is
- under their lips. Selah.
- 4. Keep me, O LORD, from the hands of the wicked:

preserve me from the violent man:

- who have purposed to overthrow my goings.
 - 5. The proud have hid a snare for me, and cords: they have spread a net by the wayside; they have set gins for me. Selah.
- I said unto the LORD. Thou *art* my God: hear the voice of
- my supplications, O LORD.
- O GOD the Lord.
- the strength of my salvation,

- thou hast covered my head in the day of battle
- Grant not, o LORD.
- the desires of the wicked: further not his wicked device:
- lest they exalt themselves. Selah.
- 9. As for the head of
 - those that compass
- me about.
- let the mischief of their
- own lips cover them.
- Let burning coals fall upon them:
- let them be cast into the fire: into deep pits.
- that they rise not up again.
- 11. Let not an evil speaker
- be established in the earth: evil shall hunt the violent
- man to overthrow him.
- 12. I know that the LORD
- will maintain the cause
 - of the afflicted, and
 - the right of

- the poor.
- 13. Surely the righteous shall give thanks unto thy
 - name: the upright shall
- dwell in thy presence.

PSALM 141

- 1. Lord, I cry unto thee:
- make haste unto me; give ear unto my

voice, when I cry unto thee.

Let mv praver be set forth before thee

as incense; and the liftina up of my hands as the

evening sacrifice.

3. Set a watch, O LORD,

before my mouth:

keep the door of my lips.

4. Incline not my heart to any evil thing.

to practise wicked works

> with men that work iniquity; and let me not eat of their dainties.

5. Let the righteous smite me; it shall be a kindness; and let him

reprove me: it shall be

an excellent oil, which shall not break my head: for yet my prayer also shall be in their calamities.

■ 6. When their judges are overthrown in stony places,

they shall hear my words; for they are sweet.

7. Our bones are scattered at the grave's mouth, as when one cutteth and cleaveth wood upon the earth.

■ 8. But mine eyes *are* unto

■! thee, O GOD the Lord: in thee is my trust:

leave not my soul destitute.

9. Keep me from the snares which they have

laid for me.

and the gins of the workers of iniquity. 10. Let the wicked fall into

their own nets, whilst that

withal escape.

PSALM 142

I cried unto the LORD

with my voice; with my voice unto the LORD did I make my supplication.

2. I poured out my

complaint before him;

I shewed before him my trouble.

3. When my spirit was ■ overwhelmed within me.

then thou knewest my path.

In the way wherein I walked have they privily laid a snare for me.

4. I looked on my right hand,

and beheld, but

there was no man that would know me: refuge failed me:

no man cared for my soul.

I cried unto thee. O LORD: I said.

Thou art my refuge

and my portion in the land of the living.

6. Attend unto my cry; for I am brought very low:

deliver me from my

persecutors: for they are stronger than I.

7. Bring my soul out of prison, that I may praise

thy name: the righteous shall compass me about:

for thou shalt deal

|■| bountifully with me.

PSALM 143

 Hear my prayer, O LORD, give ear to my supplications:

in thy faithfulness answer me, and in thy righteousness.

2. And enter not into

judgment with thy servant:

for in thy sight

shall no man living be justified.

For the enemy hath

persecuted my soul; he hath smitten my life down to the ground;

he hath made me to dwell in darkness.

as those that have been long dead.

4. Therefore is my spirit

overwhelmed within me:

mv heart within me

is desolate. I remember

the days of old: I meditate on all

thy works;

I muse on the work of thy hands.

I stretch forth my hands unto thee: my soul *thirsteth* after thee,

as a thirsty land. Selah.

Hear me speedily,

O LORD: my spirit faileth:

hide not thy face from me,

lest I be like unto ■ them that go down

- II into the pit.
- 8. Cause me to hear thy
- lovingkindness in the morning;
- for in thee do I trust: cause
- me to know the way
 - wherein I should walk;

for I lift up my soul unto thee.

- 9. **Deliver me.** O LORD.
- from mine enemies: I flee unto thee to hide me.
- 10. Teach me to do thy will; for thou art my God: thy spirit is good; lead me into the
- land of uprightness.
 - 1 11 Quicken me, O LORD,
- for thy name's sake:

for thy righteousness' sake bring my soul out of trouble.

- 12. And of thy mercy cut off mine enemies.
- and destroy all
- them that afflict my soul:
- for I am thy servant.

PSALM 144

- I. Blessed be the LORD my strength which teacheth my hands to war, and my fingers to fight:
 - My goodness, and my fortress; my high tower,
- and my deliverer; my
- shield, and he in whom
 trust; who subdueth
- my people under me.
- 3. LORD, what is man, that thou takest knowledge of
- him! or the son of man, that thou makest account of him!
- 4. Man is like to vanity: his days are as a shadow that
 - i | aays *are* as a snaaow tr i | passeth away.
 - Bow thy heavens,
 - O LORD, and
- Come down: touch the mountains, and they shall smoke.
 - Cast forth lightning, and scatter them: shoot out thine arrows, and destroy them.
- 7. Send thine hand from
- above; rid me,
- and deliver me out of great waters.
- from the hand of

- | strange children;
- 8. Whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right
- hand is a right hand of
- falsehood.
- 9. I will sing a new song
- unto thee, O God: upon a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings will I sing praises unto thee.
- 10. *It is he* that giveth
- salvation unto kings:
- who delivereth David
- from the hurtful
 - 11. Rid me. and
- deliver me from the hand of strange children, whose mouth speaketh vanity, and their right hand is a right hand of falsehood:
- 12. That our sons may be
- as plants grown up in their youth: that
- our daughters may be
- as corner stones, polished *after* the
- similitude of a palace:
- 13. *That* our garners
- may be full, affording all manner of store:
- that our sheep may bring
- forth thousands and ten thousands in our streets:
- 14. *That* our oxen *may be* strong to labour:

strong to labour; that there be no breaking in, nor going out; that there be no complaining in our streets.

- 15. Happy is that people,
 - that is in such a case: *yea*, happy *is that* people.
- whose God *is* the LORD.

PSALM 145

- 1. I will extol thee, my God,
 O king; and
- I will bless thy name
- for ever and ever.
- 2. Every day will I bless
 - thee; and I will
- praise thy name
 - for ever and ever.
 - 3. Great is the LORD, and

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greatly to be praised; and his greatness is unsearchable.
4. One generation shall praise thy works to another, and shall declare thy mighty acts.
5. I will speak of the glorious type of the majosty.

of thy majesty, and of thy wondrous works.

6. And *men* shall speak of the might of thy terrible acts:

and I will declare thy greatness.

7. They shall abundantly
utter the memory of thy
great goodness, and shall
sing of thy righteousness.

8. The LORD is gracious,
 and full of compassion;
 slow to anger, and of

great mercy.

9. The LORD is good to all: and his tender mercies are over all his works.

10. All thy works shall praise thee, O LORD;

and thy saints shall bless thee.

11. They shall speak of the glory of thy kingdom, and talk of thy power;

1 12. To make known to

the sons of

men his mighty acts, and the glorious majesty of

his kingdom.

■ 13. Thy kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,

and thy dominion endureth
 throughout all generations.

14. The LORD upholdeth all

that fall, and raiseth up all those that be bowed down.

15. The eyes of all wait
 upon thee; and thou
 givest them their

meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing.

17. The LORD is righteous in all his ways,

I and holy in all his works.

18. The LORD is nigh unto all them that call upon him, to all that call upon him

■| in truth.

19. He will fulfil the desire of
 them that fear him: he also
 will hear their cry, and
 will save them.

20. The LORD preserveth all
 them that love him: but all
 the wicked will he destroy.

21. My mouth shall speakthe praise of the LORD:

and let all flesh bless his holy name for ever and ever.

PSALM 146

1. Praise ye the LORD.

■ Praise the LORD,

■ O my soul.

While I live will I praise the LORD:

I will sing praises unto my God while I have

■ any being.
■ 3. Put not v

3. Put not your trust in princes. nor

in the son of man, in whom there is no help.

4. His breath goeth forth, he returneth to his earth:

returneth to his earth; in that very day his

thoughts perish.5. Happy is he that hath the

■ God of Jacob

for his help, whose hope is in the LORD his God:

6. Which made heaven,

and earth, the sea, and all that therein is:

which keepeth truth for ever:

7. Which executethjudgment for theoppressed: which

giveth food to the hungry.

The LORD looseth

■ The LORD loose the prisoners:

8. The LORD openeth the eyes of the blind: the LORD
raiseth them that are

bowed down: the LORD

■ loveth the righteous:

9. The LORD preserveth the strangers; he relieveth the

- I fatherless and widow: but
- the way of the
- wicked he turneth
- upside down.
- 10. The LORD shall
- reign for ever, even thy God. O Zion, unto all generations.

Praise ve the LORD.

PSALM 147

- 1. Praise ve the LORD: for
- it is good to sing praises
- unto our God; for it is
- pleasant; and praise is comely.
- 2. The LORD doth
- build up Jerusalem:
- he gathereth together
- the outcasts of Israel.
- 3. He healeth the broken in
- heart, and bindeth up their wounds.
- 4. He telleth the number of
- the stars: he calleth them all
- by their names.
- 5. Great is our Lord. and of great power:
- his understanding
- is infinite. 6. The LORD lifteth up the
- meek: he casteth the wicked down to the ground.
- 7. Sing unto the LORD with thanksaiving: sing praise
 - upon the harp
- unto our God: 8. Who covereth the
- heaven with clouds, who
- prepareth rain for the earth.
- who maketh grass to grow upon the mountains.
- He giveth to the
- beast his food.

and to the young ravens which cry.

- 10. He delighteth not in the
- strength of the horse; he
- taketh not pleasure in
- the legs of a man. ■ 11. The LORD taketh
- pleasure in them that
- fear him, in those
- that hope in his mercy.
 - 12. Praise the LORD,
 - O Jerusalem; praise thy God, O Zion.

- 13. For he hath
- strenathened the bars of
- thy gates; he hath blessed
- thy children within thee.
 - 14. He maketh peace in thy borders.
- and filleth thee with
- the finest of the wheat.
- 15 He sendeth forth
- his commandment upon
- earth: his word runneth very swiftly.
- 16. **He giveth snow** like wool:
- he scattereth the hoarfrost
- 17 He casteth forth his ice like morsels:
- who can stand
- before his cold?
- 18. He sendeth out his
 - word, and melteth them; he causeth his wind to blow.
- and the waters flow.
 - 19. He sheweth his word
- unto Jacob, his statutes and his iudaments unto Israel.
- 20. He hath not dealt so with

any nation:

and as for his judgments, they have not known them.

Praise ve the LORD.

PSALM 148

- Praise ve the LORD.
- Praise ve the LORD from the heavens:

praise him in the heights.

- 2. Praise ye him, all his
- angels: praise ye him.
- all his hosts.
- Praise ye him, sun
- and moon: praise him,
 - all ye stars of light.
 - Praise him.
- ve heavens of heavens.
- and ve waters that be
- above the heavens. 5. Let them praise the
- name of the LORD: for he
 - commanded, and
- they were created.
- 6. He hath also

stablished them for ever

and ever:

he hath made a decree which shall not pass.

■ 7. Praise the LORD

from the earth,

ye dragons, and all deeps:

8. Fire, and

■ hail; snow, and

■ vapours; stormy wind

fulfilling his word:

9. Mountains, and all

hills: fruitful

trees, and all cedars:

10 Beasts, and all cattle;

creeping things, and flying

■ fowl:

1 11. **Kings** of the earth, and all **people; prices,** and all

■ judges of the earth

12 Both

young men, and maidens: old men.

and children:

■ 13 Let them praise the

name of the LORD: for his name alone is excellent; his glory is above the earth and heaven.

■ 14 **He** also

exalteth the horn of his

people, the praise of all his saints: even of the children of

Sqints; even of the children of Israel, a people near unto him.

■ Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 149

Praise ye the LORD.

■ Sing unto the LORD

■ a new song, and his praise in the congregation of saints.

■ 2. Let Israel rejoice in him

■ that made him: let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.

3. Let them praise his name in the dance:

let them sing praises unto him

with the timbrel and harp.

■ | 4. For the LORD taketh

pleasure in his people:he will beautify the meek

■ with salvation.

■ 5. Let the saints be

joyful in glory: let them sing aloud upon their beds.

■ 6. *Let* the high *praises*

of God be in their mouth,

■ and a two-edged

■ sword in their hand;

7. To execute vengeance

upon the heathen, and punishments upon the people;

8. To bind their kings with chains, and

their nobles with fetters of iron;

9 To execute upon them the iudgment written: this

honour have all his saints.
Praise ye the LORD.

PSALM 150

Praise ye the LORD.

Praise God in his sanctuary: praise him

sanctuary: praise him in the firmament

of his power.

2. Praise him for his mighty acts: praise him

according to his

excellent greatness.

3. Praise him with the sound of the trumpet:

praise him with the

psaltery and harp.

■ timbrel and

■ dance: praise him with

stringed instruments and

■ organs.

Praise him upon the

■ | loud cymbals: praise him upon

■ the high sounding

cymbals.

■ 6. Let every thing that hath

breath praise the LORD.

■ Praise ve the LORD.

THE BOOK OF PROVERBS

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Words

Theme – Advice and Wisdom Concerning the Proper Way People Should Conduct Their Lives.

OUTLINE OF THE PROVERBS

- I. The Contrast Between Wisdom and Folly 1:1 9:18
- II. Special Proverbs
 Attributed to Solomon
 10:1 24:34
- III. Proverbs Attributed to Hezekiah 25:1 — 29:27
- IV. The Oracle of Agur 30:1 — 33
- V. The Oracle of Lemuel 31:1 31

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CHAPTER 1

1. The proverbs of Solomon the son of David, king of Israel;

2. **To know** wisdom and instruction; to perceive

and instruction; to perceive the words of understanding;

3. To receive the instruction of wisdom, justice, and

judgment, and equity;4. To give subtilty to

the simple, to the young man

knowledge and discretion.

5. A wise man will hear, and
 will increase learning; and
 a man of understanding

shall attain unto wise

counsels

6. To understand aproverb, and the

interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.

the beginning of knowledge: but

fools despise

■ wisdom and instruction.

8. My son, hear the

instruction of thy father,

and forsake not the law of thy mother:

9. For they shall be an ornament of grace

unto thy head, and chains about thy neck.

10. My son,

if sinners entice thee,

■ consent thou

■ not.

11. If they say, Come with us,

let us lay wait for blood, let us lurk privily

for the innocent without cause:

12. Let us swallow them up alive as the grave; and whole,

as those that go down

■ into the pit:

■ 13. We shall find all precious substance, we shall

fill our houses with spoil:

14. Cast in thy lot among us;

■ | let us all

■ have one purse:

15. My son,

| walk not thou in the way

with them; refrain thy foot from their path:

16. For their feet

run to evil, and make haste to shed blood.

17. Surely in vain the net is spread in the sight of any bird.

18. And they lay wait for their own blood;

they lurk privilyfor their own lives.

19. So are the ways

of every one that is **greedy** of gain;

■ which taketh away

the life of theowners thereof.

■ 20. **Wisdom** crieth without; she

uttereth her voice in the streets:

21. She crieth in the chief place of concourse, in the openings of the gates: in the city she uttereth her words,

ı| saying,

22. How long, ye simple ones, will ye love simplicity?

and the scorners

■ delight in their

scorning, and fools hate knowledge?

■ 23. **Turn** you

at my reproof: behold,
I will pour out my spirit unto you,

I will make known

my words unto you.

24. Because I have

called, and ye refused;

I have stretched out my hand, and no man regarded;

and no man re 25. But ye have

set at nought all my counsel, and would

none of my reproof:

■ 26. also

■ | will laugh at your calamity;

I will mock when your fear cometh;

27. When your fear cometh as desolation.

and your

destruction cometh

as a whirlwind;

when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

28. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not

answer: they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me:

29. For that

they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: 30. They would none of my counsel:

they despised all my reproof.

31 Therefore shall they eat of the fruit of their own way, and

be filled with their own devices.

■ 32. For the turning away ■ of the simple shall slay

■ them, and the prosperity of fools

shall destroy them.

■ 33 But whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely.

and shall be quiet from fear of evil.

CHAPTER 2

1. My son, if thou wilt

receive my words,

and hide my

commandments with thee:

2. SO that thou

incline thine ear

unto wisdom. and apply thine heart to

understandina:

3. Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for understanding:

4. If thou

seekest her as silver,

■ and searchest for her as for

hid treasures:

5. Then shalt thou understand the

fear of

the LORD, and find the knowledge of God.

6. For the LORD giveth

wisdom:

out of his mouth cometh

knowledge and understanding.

> 7. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler

to them that walk uprightly.

8. **He** keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.

Then shalt.

thou understand righteousness, and judgment, and equity;

vea, every good path.

10. When wisdom entereth into thine heart, and knowledge is pleasant unto thy soul:

11 Discretion shall preserve thee.

understandina shall keep thee:

12 To deliver thee from the way of the

evil man, from the man that speaketh froward things;

13. Who leave the paths

of uprightness, to walk in the ways of darkness:

14. Who rejoice to do evil, and delight in the frowardness of the

wicked:

15. Whose ways are crooked, and they froward in their paths:

16. To deliver thee from the strange woman.

even from the stranger which flattereth with her words:

17. Which forsaketh the guide of her youth, and

forgetteth the covenant of her God.

18. For her house inclineth

unto death, and her paths unto the dead.

19. None that go unto

her return again. neither take they

hold of the paths of life.

20. That thou mayest

walk in

the way of good *men*, and keep the paths of the

riahteous.

21. For the upright shall

- dwell in the land, and the perfect shall remain in it. 22. But the wicked shall be cut off from the
- earth, and the transgressors ■ I shall be rooted out of it.

CHAPTER 3

1. My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep my commandments:

2. For length of days, and long life, and peace,

■ shall they add to thee. 3. Let not mercy and truth

forsake thee: bind them about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

4. So shalt thou find

favour and good understanding in the sight of God and man.

5. Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and

lean not unto thine own understanding.

6. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and

■ he shall direct thy paths. 7. Be not wise in thine own eves: fear the LORD.

and depart from evil. 8. It shall be health to thy navel,

and marrow to thy bones. Honour the LORD with

thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase:

10. So shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.

11. My son, despise not the chastening of the LORD;

neither be weary of his correction:

12. For whom the LORD loveth he correcteth: even as a father the son in whom he delighteth.

13. Happy is the man that findeth wisdom.

and the man that

aetteth understanding.

14. For the merchandise of it is better than the

merchandise of

silver, and the gain

thereof than fine gold.

15. She is more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

16. Length of days is in her right hand: and in her left hand riches and honour.

17. Her ways are ways of pleasantness.

and all her paths are peace.

18. She is a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her; and happy is every one that retaineth her.

19. The LORD by wisdom hath founded the earth; by understanding hath he established the heavens.

20. By his knowledge the depths are broken up, and the clouds drop down the dew.

21. My son, let not them depart from thine eyes:

keep sound wisdom and discretion:

22. So shall they be life unto thy soul, and grace to thy neck.

23. Then shalt thou walk in thy way safely.

and thy foot shall

not stumble.

24. When thou liest down, thou shalt not be

afraid: yea, thou shalt lie down, and thy sleep shall be sweet.

25. **Be not afraid** of sudden fear, neither

of the

desolation of the wicked, when it cometh.

26. For the LORD shall be thy confidence, and shall

keep thy foot from being taken. 27. Withhold not good

from them to whom it is due,

when it is in the power of thine hand to do it.

28. Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and

to-morrow I will give;

when thou hast it by thee. 29. Devise not evil against

thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee. 30. Strive not with a man

without cause, if he have done thee no harm.

31. Envy thou

not the oppressor, and choose none of his ways.

32 For the froward is abomination to the LORD: but his secret is with the righteous.

33. The curse of the LORD is

in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the

habitation of the just. 34. Surely he scorneth

the scorners; but he giveth grace unto the lowly.

35. The wise shall inherit glory: but shame shall be

■ The promotion of fools.

CHAPTER 4

■ | 1. **Hear**, ye children,

the instruction of a father. and attend to know understanding.

2. For I give you good doctrine, forsake ye not my law.

For I was my father's son. tender and only beloved in the

sight of my mother. 4. He taught me

also, and said unto me.

Let thine heart retain my words: keep

my commandments, and live.

5. Get wisdom, get understanding: forget it not: neither decline from

> the words of my mouth. 6. Forsake her not, and she shall preserve thee; love her. and she shall keep thee.

8 7. Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom: and with

all thy getting get understanding. 8. Exalt her, and she shall promote thee: she shall

bring thee to honour, when thou dost embrace her.

9. She shall give to thine

head an ornament of grace:

a crown of glory

shall she deliver to thee.

10. **Hear.** O my son, and receive my sayings; and the years of thy life shall be many.

I have taught thee

in the way of

wisdom: I have led thee in right paths.

12. When thou goest. thy steps shall

not be straitened: and when thou runnest.

thou shalt not stumble.

13. Take fast

hold of instruction; let her not go: keep her;

for she *is* thy life.

14. Enter not into

> the path of the wicked, and go not in the way of evil men.

15. Avoid if, pass not by it, turn from it, and pass away.

16. For they sleep not, except they have done mischief; and their sleep is taken away.

unless they cause some to fall.

17. For they eat the bread of

wickedness, and drink the wine of

violence.

18. But the path of the just is as the shining light,

that shineth more and more unto the perfect day.

19. The way of the wicked is as darkness: they know not at what they stumble.

20. My son, attend to my words;

incline thine ear unto my sayings.

21. Let them not depart from thine eves:

keep them in the midst of thine heart.

22. For they are life unto those that find them.

and health to all their flesh.

23. **Keep thy**

heart with all diligence:

for out of it are the

issues of life.

24. Put away from

thee a froward mouth, and
perverse lips put far from thee.
25. Let thine eyes look
right on, and let thine eyelids
look straight before thee.

26. Ponder the path of thy

feet, and let all thy ways be established.

■ 27. Turn not to the

■ right hand

■ **nor** to the

■ left: remove thy

■ foot from evil.

CHAPTER 5

1. My son, attend unto my
 wisdom, and bow thine ear to my
 understanding:

2. That thou mayest

regard discretion,
and that thy lips may

keep knowledge.

3. For the lips of a strange

woman drop as an honeycomb, and her mouth is smoother than oil:

4. **But her end is bitter** as wormwood, sharp as a

two-edged sword.

5. Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on

death; her steps take hold on hell.
6. Lest thou shouldest

ponder the path of life, her ways are

moveable, that thou canst not know them

7. **Hear me** now therefore, O ye children,

and depart not from the words of my mouth.

8. **Remove** thy way

far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

9. Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and

thy years unto the cruel:

10. Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth;

and thy labours be

in the house of a stranger;
11. And thou mourn at the last,

when thy flesh and thy

■ | body are consumed,

12. And say, How have I hated instruction.

and my heart despised reproof:

■ 13. And have not

■ obeyed the voice of

my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!

14. I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.

15. Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and

thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own
 well.

16. Let thy fountains
 be dispersed abroad,
 and rivers of waters in the streets.

17. Let them be only

thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

18. Let thy fountain be
 blessed: and rejoice
 with the wife of thy youth.

19. Let her be as the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love. 20. And why

■ will thou, my son,

be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?

21. For the ways of man

■ are before the eyes of

■ the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

22. His own iniquities shall take

the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with

the cords of his sins.

■ 23. He shall die without

instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

CHAPTER 6

■ 1. My son, if thou

be surety for thy friend, if thou hast stricken thy

if thou hast stricken thy hand with a stranger,

2. Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art

taken with the words of thy mouth.

909 3. Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself. and make sure thy friend. 4. Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids. 5. **Deliver thyself** as a roe from the hand of the hunter, and as a bird from the hand أي of the fowler. 6. Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways. and be wise: 7. Which having no quide, overseer, or ruler. 8. Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest. 9. How long wilt thou sleep, O sluggard? when wilt thou arise out of thy sleep? 10. Yet a little sleep, a little slumber. a little foldina of the hands to sleep: 11. So shall thy poverty come as one that travelleth, and thy want as an armed man. 12. A naughty person, a wicked man, walketh

with a froward mouth. ■ 13. **He winketh** with his eyes, he speaketh with his feet, he teacheth with his fingers;

14. Frowardness is in his heart. he deviseth mischief continually; he soweth discord. 15. Therefore shall his

calamity come suddenly; suddenly shall he be broken without remedy.

16. These six things doth the LORD hate: yea, seven are

an abomination unto him: ■ 17. A proud look, a

lying fongue, and hands that shed

innocent blood.

18. An heart that deviseth wicked imaginations.

feet that be swift in running to mischief. 19. A false witness that speaketh lies. and he that soweth discord amona brethren.

20. My son, keep thy father's commandment. and forsake not the law of thy mother:

21. **Bind them** continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck.

22. When thou goest.

it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee.

23. For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are

the way of life: 24. To keep thee from the evil woman,

from the flattery of the tongue of a strange woman. Lust not after her beauty in thine heart; neither let her take thee with her evelids.

26. For by means of a whorish woman a man is brought to a piece of bread: and the adultress will hunt for the

precious life. 27. Can a man take fire in his bosom. and his clothes

not be burned? 28. Can one go upon

hot coals, and his feet not be burned? 29. So he that goeth in

to his neighbour's wife; whosoever toucheth her

shall not be innocent. 30. *Men* do not despise

a thief, if he steal to satisfy his soul

when he is hungry: 31. But if he be found.

he shall restore sevenfold; he shall give PROVERBS 7 910

all the substance of his house.
32. **But** whose committeth

32. **But Whoso Committer**adultery with a woman lacketh understanding:
he *that* doeth it

destroyeth his own soul.

■ 33. A wound and

■ dishonour shall he get;

and his reproach shall not be wiped away.

■ 34. For jealousy is the

rage of a man: therefore he will not spare in the

day of vengeance.

■ 35. He will not regard any

ransom; neither will he rest content, though thou givest

■ | many gifts.

CHAPTER 7

1. **My son**, keep my words, and lay up my commandments with thee.

■ 2. Keep my

commandments,

and live; and my law

| as the apple of thine eye.

3. Bind them upon thy fingers,

write them upon the table

of thine heart.

4. Say unto wisdom, Thou

art my sister; and call
 understanding thy

■ kinswoman:

■ 5. That they may keep

■ **thee** from the strange woman,

from the stranger which

flattereth with her words.

■ 6. For at the

window of my house

■ I looked through my casement,
7. And beheld among the simp

7. **And beheld** among the simple ones, I discerned among the youths,

a young man voidof understanding,

8. Passing through the street near her

corner; and he went the way

■ to her house,

9. In the twilight,

in the evening, in the black and dark night:

■ 10. **And,** behold, there

met him a woman with the attire of

an harlot, and subtil of heart.

11. (She *is* loud and stubborn; her feet abide not in her house: 12. Now *is she* without, now in

the streets, and lieth in wait at every corner.)

13. So she caught him, and kissed him, and with an impudent face

■ said unto him,

14. I have peace offerings with me;

this day have Ipayed my vows.

15. **Therefore** came I forth to meet thee, diligently to seek thy face, and

16. I have decked my bed with coverings of tapestry, with carved works, with fine linen of Egypt. 17. I have perfumed my bed with

17. I have perfumed my bed with myrrh, aloes, and cinnamon.

18. Come, let us take our
 fill of love until the morning:
 let us solace ourselves with loves.

19. For the goodman

is not at home, he is gone a long journey:

20. He hath taken a bag of money with him, *and* will come home at the day appointed.

21. With her much fair speech

she caused him to yield,with the flattering of

her lips she forced him.

■ 22. He goeth after

■ her straightway,
■ as an ox goeth

to the slaughter, or as a

fool to the correction of the stocks;
23. Till a dart strike through his liver;
as a bird hasteth to the snare, and
knoweth not that it is for his life.

24. Hearken unfo me now therefore, O ye children, and attend to the words of my mouth.

■ 25. Let not thine heart decline to her ways,

go not astray in her paths.

26. For she hath cast down many wounded: yea,

many strong *men* have been slain by her.

■ Deen sidin by her. ■ 27. Her house is the

■ | way to hell, going down

I to the chambers of death.

CHAPTER 8

■ 1 1. Doth not wisdom cry?

- and understanding put
 - forth her voice?
 - 2. She standeth in the top of high places, by the way in the places of
 - the paths.
- 3. She crieth at the
 - gates, at the entry of the city, at the coming in at the doors.
- 4. Unto you, O men,
- I call; and my voice is to the sons of man.
- 5. O ye simple,
 - fools, be ve of an
- - things; and the opening of my lips shall be right things.
- speak truth: and wickedness is an
- 8. All the words of
- my mouth are in righteousness; there is
- 9. They are all
- understandeth, and right to them that find knowledge.
- 10. Receive mv
- and knowledge
- rather than choice gold.

things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

- and find out knowledge of witty inventions.
- is to hate evil: pride, and
- 14. Counsel is mine.
- and sound wisdom:

- understand wisdom; and, ve
- understanding heart.
 - 6. Hear; for I will speak of excellent
- 7. For my mouth shall
- abomination to my lips.
- nothing froward or perverse in them.
- plain to him that
- instruction, and not silver:
 - 11. For wisdom is better
 - than rubies: and all the
 - 12. I wisdom dwell with prudence.
 - 13. The fear of the LORD
 - arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.
- - | | am understandina:

I have strenath.

- 15. By me kings reign.
 - and princes decree justice. 16. By me
- princes rule, and nobles.
- even all the judges of the earth.
- 17. I love them that
- love me: and
- those that seek me
- early shall find me. 18. Riches and honour
 - are with me; yea, durable riches and righteousness.
- 19. My fruit is better than gold, yea, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.
- 20. I lead in the way of riahteousness, in the
- midst of the paths of judgment: 21. That I may cause
- those that love me to inherit substance: and
 - I will fill their treasures.
- 22. The LORD possessed
 - me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old.
 - 1 was set up from everlasting.
- from the beginning. or ever the earth was.
- 24. When there were no depths, I was brought forth;
- when there were no
- fountains abounding with water.
- 25. **Before the**
- mountains were settled,
- before the hills was I brought forth:
 - 26. While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world.
- 27. When he prepared the heavens, I was there:
 - when he set a compass upon the face of the depth:
- 28. When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep:
- 29. When he gave to the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed

the foundations of the earth: 30. Then I was by him.

as one brought up with him:

■ and I was daily his delight.

rejoicing always

before him:

31. Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men.

32 Now therefore

hearken unto me.

O ve children:

for blessed are they ■ I that keep my ways.

33. Hear instruction, and

be wise, and refuse it not.

34. Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors.

35. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the LORD.

■ 36. But he that

■ sinneth against me

wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.

CHAPTER 9

 Wisdom hath builded her house, she hath hewn out her seven pillars:

2. She hath killed her beasts: she hath mingled her wine:

she hath also

furnished her table.

3 She hath sent forth her

maidens: she crieth upon the highest places of the city,

4. Whoso is simple,

let him turn in hither: as for him that

wanteth understanding. she saith to him.

5. Come, eat of my bread,

and drink of the wine which I have mingled.

■ 6. Forsake the

foolish, and live:

and go in the way of understanding.

> 7. He that reproveth a scorner getteth to himself shame; and

he that rebuketh a wicked man getteth himself a blot.

Reprove not a

scorner, lest he hate

thee: rebuke a wise man. and he will love thee.

Give instruction to a

wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just

man, and he will

increase in learning.

10. The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the

holy is understandina. 11. For by me thy days shall be multiplied, and the

vears of thy life

shall be increased.

> 12. If thou be wise, thou shalt be wise for thyself: but if thou scornest. thou alone shalt bear it.

13. A foolish woman is clamorous: she is simple. and knoweth nothing.

> 14 For she sitteth at the door of her house, on a seat in the high places of the city.

To call passengers who go right on their ways:

16. Whoso is simple. let him turn in hither:

and as for him that

wanteth understanding. she saith to him.

17. Stolen waters are sweet, and bread *eaten*

in secret is pleasant. 18. But he knoweth not that

the dead are there; and that her guests *are* in the depths of hell.

CHAPTER 10

1. The proverbs of

Solomon. A wise son maketh a glad father: but

a foolish son is the

heaviness of his mother.

2. Treasures of wickedness profit nothing: but righteousness delivereth from death.

3 The LORD will not suffer.

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the soul of the righteous to tamish: but he casteth away the substance of the wicked. 4. He becometh poor that

dealeth with a slack hand: but the hand of the

diligent maketh rich.

5. He that gathereth in summer

wise son: but

he that sleepeth in harvest is a son that

causeth shame.

6. Blessings are upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of

the wicked.

7. The memory of the just is blessed: but the name of the wicked shall rot. 8. The wise in heart will

receive commandments:

but a prating fool shall fall. 9. He that walketh uprightly walketh surely: but he ■ that perverteth his ways

shall be known. 10. He that winketh with the eve causeth sorrow: but a

prating fool shall fall. 11. The mouth of a righteous man is a well of life: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

12. Hatred stirreth up strifes: but love covereth all sins.

13. In the lips of him that hath

understanding wisdom

is found: but a rod is for

the back of him that is ■ void of understanding.

14. Wise men lay up knowledge: but the mouth of

the foolish is near destruction.

15. The rich man's wealth is his strong city: the destruction of the poor

is their poverty.

■ 16. The labour of the

righteous tendeth to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

17. He is in the way of life that keepeth instruction: but he that refuseth

reproof erreth.

18. **He** that hideth hatred with lying lips, and he that uttereth a

slander, is a fool.

19. In the multitude of words there wanteth not sin: but he that refraineth his lips is wise.

20. The tongue of the

iust is as choice

silver the heart of the wicked is little worth.

21. The lips of the righteous feed many: but fools die for want of wisdom. 22. The blessing of the LORD. it maketh rich, and he addeth no sorrow with it.

23. It is as sport to a fool to do mischief: but a man of understanding hath wisdom.

24. The fear of the wicked, it shall come upon him: but the desire of the

righteous shall be granted. 25. As the whirlwind passeth, so is the wicked no more:

but the righteous is an everlasting foundation. 26. As vinegar to the

teeth, and as smoke to the eyes, so is the sluggard to them

that send him

27. The fear of the LORD prolongeth days: but the years of the wicked

shall be shortened. 28. The hope of the

riahteous shall be aladness: but the expectation of the 6 wicked shall perish.

29. The way of the LORD is strength to the upright:

but destruction shall be

- to the workers of iniquity.
- 30. The righteous shall
- never be removed: but the wicked shall
- not inhabit the earth.
- 31. The mouth of the
- iust bringeth forth
- | wisdom: but the froward
- I tongue shall be cut out.
- 32. The lips of the righteous ■ know what is acceptable:
 - but the mouth of the wicked
- speaketh frowardness.

CHAPTER 11

- 1.1. A false balance is
- abomination to the LORD:
- but a just weight is
- his delight.
 - 2. When
- pride cometh, then cometh
 - shame: but with the lowly is wisdom.
- 3. The integrity of the upright shall guide them: but the
- perverseness of
 - transaressors shall
- destroy them.
 - 4. Riches profit not in the day of wrath: but
- riahteousness
- delivereth from death.
- 5. The righteousness of the perfect shall direct his
- way: but the wicked shall fall by his own
- wickedness.
 - 6. The righteousness of the upright shall deliver them; but transgressors shall be taken in their own naughtiness.
- 7. When a wicked man dieth. his
- expectation shall perish:
- and the
- hope of unjust men
- | perisheth.
- 8. The righteous is delivered out of trouble, and
 - the wicked cometh in his stead.
- 9. An hypocrite with his mouth destroyeth his neighbour: but through

- knowledge shall the iust be delivered.
- 10. When it goeth well with the righteous, the city rejoiceth; and when the wicked perish, there is shouting.
- 11. By the blessing of the upright the city is exalted: but it is overthrown by the
- mouth of the wicked. 12. He that is void of wisdom despiseth his neighbour: but a man
- of understanding holdeth his peace.
- 13. A talebearer revealeth secrets: but he that is
- of a faithful spirit
- concealeth the matter. Where no counsel is.
- the people fall: but in the multitude of counsellors
- there is safety.
 - 15. He that is surety for a stranger shall smart for it. and he that hateth suretyship is sure.
- 16. A gracious woman retaineth honour:
- and strong men retain riches.
- 17. The merciful man doeth good to his own
- soul: but *he that is* cruel troubleth his own flesh.
- 18. The wicked worketh a deceitful work: but to him that soweth righteousness
 - shall be a sure reward. 19. As righteousness tendeth to life: so he that pursueth evil pursueth it to his own death.
- 20. **They** that are
- of a froward heart are abomination to the LORD:
- but such as are upright in their way
 - are his delight.
- 21. Though hand join in hand,
- the wicked shall not be unpunished: but the seed of
- the righteous shall be delivered.
 - 22. **As a jewel** of gold

in a swine's snout, so is a fair woman which is without discretion. 23. The desire of the righteous is only good: but the expectation of the wicked is wrath. 24. There is that scattereth. and vet increaseth: and there is that withholdeth more than is meet, but it tendeth to poverty. 25. The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself. 26 He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him: but blessing shall be **UDON** the head of him that selleth it. 27. He that diligently seeketh good procureth favour: but he that seeketh mischief, it shall come unto him. 28. He that trusteth in his riches shall fall: but the righteous shall flourish as a branch. 29. He that troubleth his own house shall inherit the wind: and the fool shall be servant to the wise of heart. **=** ! 30. The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise. 31. Behold. the righteous shall be recompensed in the earth: much more the wicked and the sinner

CHAPTER 12

1. Whose leveth instruction loveth knowledge: but he that hateth reproof is brutish. 2. A good man obtaineth favour of the LORD: but a man of wicked devices will he condemn. A man shall not

be established by

wickedness: but the root of the righteous shall not be moved. 4. A virtuous woman is a crown to her husband: but she that maketh ashamed is as rottenness in his bones. The thoughts of the riahteous *are* riaht: but the counsels of the wicked are deceit. 6. The words of the wicked are to lie in wait for blood: but the mouth of the upright shall deliver them. 7 The wicked are overthrown, and are not: but the house of the righteous shall stand. 8. A man shall be commended according to his wisdom: but he that is of a perverse heart shall 6 be despised. 9 He that is despised. and hath a servant. is better than he that honoureth himself. and lacketh bread. 10. A righteous man regardeth the life of his beast: but the tender mercies of the wicked are cruel. 11. He that tilleth his land shall be satisfied with

bread: but he that followeth vain *persons is* void of understanding.

12. The wicked desireth the net of evil men: but the root of the righteous yieldeth *fruit.* 13. The wicked is snared by the transgression of his lips: but the just shall come out of trouble.

14. A man shall be satisfied with good by the fruit of his mouth: and the recompence of a man's hands shall be rendered unto him.

15. The way of a fool is right in his own eyes: but he that hearkeneth unto counsel is wise.

- 16. A fool's wrath is presently known: but a prudent man covereth shame.
 - 17. *He that* speaketh truth sheweth forth riahteousness:

but a false witness deceit.

18. There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.

19. The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue is but for a moment.

20. Deceit is in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors

of peace is joy.

21 There shall no evil happen to the just: but the wicked shall be filled with mischief.

22. Lying lips are

abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly are his delight.

23. A prudent man concealeth knowledge:

but the heart of

fools proclaimeth

■ foolishness.

24. The hand of the diligent shall bear rule:

but the slothful shall be under tribute.

25. Heaviness in the

heart of man

maketh it stoop: but a good word maketh it glad.

26. The righteous is more excellent than his

neighbour: but the way of

the wicked seduceth them. 27. The slothful man

roasteth not that which he took in hunting; but

the substance of a

diligent man is precious.

■ 28. In the way of

| ■ | righteousness is life: and in the pathway thereof there is no death.

CHAPTER 13

1. A wise son heareth his father's instruction: but a scorner heareth not rebuke.

2. A man shall eat good by the fruit of his mouth:

but the soul of

the transgressors shall

eat violence.

3. He that keepeth his mouth keepeth his life: but he that openeth wide his lips shall have

destruction.

4. The soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing: but the soul of the diligent

shall be made fat. 5. A righteous man hateth

lying: but a wicked man is loathsome, and

cometh to shame. 6. Righteousness keepeth *him that is* upright in the way: but wickedness overthroweth the sinner.

7. There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor.

yet *hath* great riches. The ransom of a man's life *are* his riches: but the poor heareth not rebuke.

The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out.

10. Only by pride cometh contention: but with the

well advised *is* wisdom. 11. Wealth gotten by vanity shall be diminished: but he that gathereth by

labour shall increase.

12. Hope deferred maketh the heart sick: but when the desire cometh, it is

a tree of life.

13. Whoso despiseth the
word shall be destroyed:
but he that feareth the
commandment shall

be rewarded.

14. The law of the

wise is a fountain of life, to depart from the

snares of death.

15. Good understanding
giveth favour: but the way
of transgressors is hard.
16. Every prudent man

■ dealeth with knowledge:

but a fool layeth open *his* folly.

17. A wicked messenger falleth into mischief: but a faithful ambassador is health.

18. Poverty and shame
 shall be to him that refuseth
 instruction: but he that
 regardeth reproof shall

be honoured.

accomplished is sweet to the soul: but it is abomination to fools

to depart from evil.

20. He that walketh withwise men shall be wise:

■ but a companion of

fools shall be destroyed.

21 Evil pursueth sinners:
but to the righteous
good shall be repayed.

22. A good *man* leaveth an inheritance to his children's

children: and the wealth
of the sinner is laid up

for the just.

23. Much food *is in* the tillage of the poor: but there is *that is* destroyed for

is that is destroyed towant of judgment.

24. He that spareth his rod hateth his son: but he that loveth him chasteneth him

betimes

25. The righteous eateth

to the satisfying of his soul: but the belly of the

I■I wicked shall want.

CHAPTER 14

1. Every wise woman
 buildeth her house: but
 the foolish plucketh it
 down with her hands.

2. He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD: but he that is perverse in his ways

despiseth him.

■ 3. In the mouth of the foolish is a rod of

pride: but the lips of thewise shall preserve them.

4. Where no oxen *are*, the crib is clean: but much increase is by the strength of the ox.

5. A faithful witness will not lie: but a false witness will utter lies.

6. A scorner seeketh wisdom, and findeth it not: but knowledge is easy unto him that understandeth.

7. Go from the presence of a foolish man, when thou perceivest not in him the lips of knowledge.

8. The wisdom of the prudent is to understand his way: but the folly of fools is deceit.

9. Fools make a mock at sin: but among the righteous *there is* favour.

10. The heart knoweth his own

bitterness; and a stranger doth not

intermeddle with his joy.

11. The house of

the wicked shall be overthrown: but the tabernacle of the

■ upright shall flourish.
■ 12 There is a way which

12. There is a way which seemeth right unto a man,

but the end thereof are the

ways of death.

13. Even in laughter the heart is sorrowful; and

- the end of that mirth is heaviness
- 14. The backslider in heart shall be filled with his own ways: and a good man shall be satisfied from himself.

15. The simple believeth every word: but the

prudent *man* looketh well to his going.

16. A wise man feareth, and departeth from evil: but the

fool rageth, and l is confident.

17. He that is soon angry

dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.

18. The simple inherit folly: but the prudent are crowned with knowledge.

19. The evil bow before the good: and the wicked

at the gates of the righteous. 20. The poor is hated even of his own neighbour:

but the rich hath many friends.

21. He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth; but he that hath mercy on the poor,

happy is he. 22. Do they not err that devise evil? but mercy

and truth shall be

to them that devise good. 23. In all labour there is

profit: but the talk of the lips tendeth only to penury.

24. The crown of the wise is their riches: but the foolishness of fools

is folly.

25. A true witness delivereth souls: but a deceitful witness speaketh lies.

26. In the fear of the LORD

■ is strong confidence: ■ and his children shall have a place of refuge.

27. The fear of the LORD is a fountain of life, to depart

from the snares of death.

28. In the multitude of people is the king's honour: but in the want of people is the destruction of the prince.

29. He that is slow to wrath is of areat understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit

exalteth folly.

30. A sound heart is the life of the flesh: but envy the rottenness of the bones.

31. He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker: but he that honoureth him hath

mercy on the poor. 32. The wicked is driven

away in his wickedness: but the righteous hath hope in his death.

33. Wisdom resteth in the heart of him that hath understandina:

but that which is

in the midst of fools is made known.

34. Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.

35. The king's favour is toward a wise servant: but his wrath is *against* him

that causeth shame.

CHAPTER 15

1. A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

2. The tongue of the wise 7 useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness.

The eyes of the LORD

are in

every place, beholding the evil and the

good.

4. A wholesome tongue is a tree of life: but perverseness therein

is a breach in the spirit.

■ 5. A fool despiseth his

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father's instruction: but he that regardeth reproof is prudent. 6 In the house of the righteous is much treasure: but in the revenues of the wicked is trouble. 7. The lips of the wise disperse

knowledge: but the heart of the foolish doeth not so. 8 The sacrifice of the

wicked is an abomination to the LORD: but the prayer of the upright is his delight.

9. The way of the wicked is an abomination unto the LORD: but he loveth him that followeth after

righteousness. 10. Correction is grievous

unto him that forsaketh the way: and he that hateth reproof shall die.

11. Hell and destruction are before the LORD: how much more then the hearts of the children of

men? 12. A scorner loveth not one that reproveth him: neither

will he go unto the wise. 13. A merry heart maketh

a cheerful countenance: but by sorrow of the heart the spirit is broken.

14. The heart of him that hath understanding

seeketh knowledge: but the mouth of fools feedeth

on foolishness. 15. All the days of the afflicted are evil: but he that is of a merry heart hath a continual feast. 16. Better is little with the

fear of the LORD than

great treasure and frouble therewith

17. Better is a dinner of herbs where love is, than a stalled ox and

hatred therewith.

18. A wrathful man stirreth up strife: but he that is slow to anger appeaseth strife. 19. The way of the slothful man is as an hedge of thorns: but the way of the riahteous *is* made plain. 20. A wise son maketh a

alad father: but a foolish man despiseth his mother. 21. Folly is joy to him that is

destitute of wisdom: but a man of understanding walketh uprightly.

22. Without counsel purposes are disappointed: but in the multitude of counsellors they are established.

23. A man hath joy by the answer of his mouth: and a word *spoken* in due season, how good *is it!*

24. The way of life is above to the wise, that he may depart from hell beneath.

25. The LORD will destroy the house of the proud: but he will establish the border of the widow.

26. The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD: but the words of the pure are pleasant words.

27. He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house: but he that hateth gifts shall live.

28. The heart of the righteous studieth to answer: but the mouth of the wicked poureth out evil things.

The LORD is far from the wicked: but he heareth the prayer of the righteous.

30. The light of the eyes rejoiceth the heart: and a good report maketh the bones fat.

31. The ear that heareth

the reproof of life abideth among the wise. ■ 32. He that refuseth ■ I instruction despiseth his ■ own soul: but he that ■ heareth reproof aetteth understanding. ■ 33. The fear of the LORD is the instruction of wisdom: and before '■| honour *is* humility.

CHAPTER 16

■ 1 1. The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the ■ I tongue. is from the LORD. ■ 1 2. All the ways of a man are clean in his own eves: but the LORD weigheth the spirits. 3. Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. 4. The LORD hath made all things for himself: yea, even the wicked for the day of evil. 5. Every one that is proud

in heart is an abomination to the LORD: though hand join in hand, he shall not be unpunished. 6. By mercy and truth

iniquity is purged: and by the fear of the LORD men depart from evil.

l 7. When a man's ways please the LORD, he ■ maketh even his enemies ■ to be at peace with him.

8. Better is a little with righteousness than great revenues without right. ■ 9. A man's heart deviseth ■ his way: but the LORD

■ directeth his steps.

■ 10. A divine sentence is ■ in the lips of the king: his ■ mouth transgresseth not in judgment.

11. A just weight and balance are the LORD's:

all the weights of the baa *are* his work. 12. It is an abomination to kings to commit wickedness: for the throne is established by righteousness. 13. Righteous lips are the delight of kings; and they love him that speaketh right.

14. The wrath of a kina is as messengers of death; but a wise man will pacify it. In the light of the king's countenance is life; and his favour is as a cloud of the latter rain.

16. How much better is it to get wisdom than gold! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver!

17. The highway of the upright is to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul. 18. Pride goeth before

destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

19. **Better** it is to be of

an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. 20. He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good: and whoso trusteth in the LORD, happy *is* he. 21. The wise in heart shall

be called prudent: and the sweetness of the lips increaseth learning.

Understanding is a wellspring of life unto him that hath it:

but the instruction of fools is folly.

23. The heart of the wise teacheth his mouth, and addeth learning to his lips. 24. Pleasant words are

 \blacksquare as an honeycomb,

sweet to the soul, and health to the bones. 25. There is a way that seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death. 26 He that laboureth laboureth for himself: for his mouth craveth it of him. 27. An ungodly man diggeth up evil: and in his lips there is as a burning fire. 28 A froward man soweth strife; and a whisperer separateth chief friends. 29. A violent man enticeth his neighbour, and leadeth him into the way that is not good. 30. He shutteth his eves to devise froward things: moving his lips he bringeth evil to pass. 31. The hoary head is a crown of alory, if it be found in the way of righteousness. 32. He that is slow to anger 81 ■ is better than the mighty: and he that ruleth his spirit than he that taketh a city. 33. The lot is cast into ■ the lap; but the whole disposing thereof ■ is of the LORD.

CHAPTER 17

1. Better is a dry morsel, and quietness therewith, than an house full of sacrifices with strife.
2. A wise servant shall have rule over a son that causeth shame, and shall have part of the inheritance among the brethren.
3. The fining pot is for silver, and the furnace for gold: but the LORD trieth the hearts.
4. A wicked doer giveth heed to false lips; and

hath no heart to it?

born for adversity.

A friend loveth at all

times, and a brother is

a liar aiveth ear to a nauahty tonaue. Whose mecketh the poor reproacheth his Maker: and he that is glad at calamities shall not be unpunished. 6 Children's children are the crown of old men; and the glory of children *are* their fathers. Excellent speech becometh not a fool: much less do lyina lips a prince. 8. A gift is as a precious stone in the eves of him that hath it: whithersoever it turneth, it prospereth. He that covereth a transgression seeketh love: but he that repeateth a matter separateth very friends. 10. A reproof entereth more into a wise man than an hundred stripes into a fool. 11. An evil man seeketh only rebellion: therefore a cruel messenaer shall be sent against him. 12. Let a bear robbed of her whelps meet a man, rather than a fool in his folly. 13. Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house. 14. The beginning of strife is as when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with. 15. **He that justifieth the** wicked, and he that condemneth the just, even they both *are* abomination to the LORD. Wherefore is there a price in the hand of a fool to get wisdom, seeing he

- I 18. A man void of understanding striketh ■ hands, and becometh surety in the presence of his friend.
- ■ 19. He loveth transgression that loveth strife: and he that exalteth his gate seeketh destruction.
- 20. He that hath a froward heart findeth no good: and ■ he that hath a perverse tonque falleth into mischief.
- 21. He that begetteth a fool doeth it to his sorrow: and the father of a fool ■ hath no joy.
- 22. A merry heart doeth good like a medicine:
- but a broken spirit ■ I drieth the bones.
 - 23. A wicked man taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment.
- 24. Wisdom is before him that hath understanding: but the eyes of a fool are in the ends of the earth.
- 25. A foolish son is a grief to his father, and bitterness to her that bare him.

26. Also

to punish the just is not good, nor to strike ■ princes for equity.

■ 27. He that hath knowledge spareth his words: and a ■ I man of understanding is of an excellent spirit.

■ 28. Even a fool, when he ■ holdeth his peace, is

counted wise: and he that shutteth his lips is esteemed

a man of understanding.

CHAPTER 18

■ | 1. Through desire a man, having separated himself. ■ seeketh and intermeddleth ■ with all wisdom.

2. A fool hath no delight in ■ understanding, but that his heart may discover itself.

3 When the wicked. cometh, then cometh also contempt, and

with ianominy reproach. 4. The words of a man's mouth are as deep

waters, and the wellspring of wisdom as a

flowing brook.

5. It is not good to accept the person of the wicked, to overthrow the righteous in judgment. 6. A fool's lips enter into contention, and his mouth calleth for strokes.

7. A fool's mouth is his destruction, and his lips are the snare of his soul.

8. The words of a talebearer *are* as wounds, and they go down into

the innermost parts of the

belly.

9. **Hé** also

that is slothful in his WORK is brother to him that is a areat waster.

10. The name of the LORD is a strong tower: the righteous runneth into it, and is safe.

11. The rich man's wealth is his strong city.

and as an high wall in

his own conceit.

12. Before destruction the heart of man is haughty, and before honour is humility.

He that answereth a matter before he heareth it, it is folly and shame unto him.

14. The spirit of a man will sustain his infirmity; but a wounded spirit who can bear?

15. The heart of the prudent getteth knowledge; and ■ the ear of the wise

seeketh knowledge.
16. A man's gift maketh
room for him, and bringeth
him before great men.
17. He that is first in his
own cause seemeth just;
but his neighbour cometh and

searcheth him.

18. The lot causeth
contentions to cease,
and parteth between

the mighty.

19. A brother offended is harder to be won than a strong city: and their contentions are like the
bars of a castle

20. A man's belly shall be satisfied with the fruit of his mouth; and with the increase of his lips

increase of his lipsshall he be filled.

21. Death and life are in the power of the tongue:
and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof.
22. Whoso findeth a wife

findeth a good thing, and obtaineth favour

of the LORD.

23. The poor usethentreaties; but the richanswereth roughly.

24. A man that hath

friends must shew himself

friendly: and there is a friend that sticketh

closer than a brother.

CHAPTER 19

1. Better is the poor that walketh in his integrity, than he that is perverse in his lips, and is a fool.

I 2. Also, that

the soul be
without knowledge, it
is not good; and he

that hasteth with his

feet sinneth.

3. The foolishness of man

perverteth his way: and his heart fretteth against

the LORD.

 Wealth maketh many friends; but the poor is separated from his neighbour.

 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall not escape.

6. Many will entreat the favour of the prince: and every man is a friend to him that giveth aifts.

7. All the brethren of the poor do hate him: how much more do his friends go far from him? he pursueth them with words, yet they are wanting to him.

8. He that getteth wisdom loveth his own soul: he that keepeth understanding shall find good.

 A false witness shall not be unpunished, and he that speaketh lies shall perish.

10. Delight is not seemly for a fool; much less for a servant to have rule over princes.

11. The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and it is his glory to pass over a transgression.

12. The king's wrath is as the roaring of a lion; but his favour is as dew upon the grass.

13. A foolish son is the calamity of his father: and the contentions of a wife are a continual dropping.
14. House and riches are

14. House and riches are the inheritance of fathers: and a prudent wife is from the LORD.

15. Slothfulness casteth
 into a deep sleep; and
 an idle soul shall suffer
 hunger.

16. He that keepeth the commandment keepeth
his own soul; but he that despiseth his ways

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shall die.

- 17. He that hath pity
 upon the poor lendeth
 unto the LORD; and that
 which he hath given will
 he pay him again.
- 18. Chasten thy son while there is hope,
 and let not thy soul
 spare for his crying.
 - 19. A man of great wrath shall suffer punishment: for if thou deliver him, yet
- for if thou deliver him, ye thou must do it again.
 20. Hear counsel, and
- 20. Hear counsel, and
 receive instruction, that
 thou mayest be wise
 in thy latter end.
- 21. *There are* many devices in a man's heart;
- nevertheless the counsel
- of the LORD, that shall stand.
- 22. The desire of a man is his kindness: and a poor man is better than a liar.
 - 23. The fear of the LORD tendeth to life: and he that hath it shall abide satisfied; he shall not
- be visited with evil.
- 24. A slothful *man* hideth his hand in *his* bosom,
- and will not so much as
 bring it to his mouth again
- bring it to his mouth again.

 25. Smite a scorner, and the
 - simple will beware: and reprove one that hath understanding, and he will
- understand knowledge.
- 26. He that wasteth his father, and chaseth
 away his mother, is a
- son that causeth shame, and bringeth reproach.
- 27. **Cease**, my son,
- to hear the instruction that causeth to err from the words of knowledge.
- 28. An ungodly witness scorneth judgment: and the mouth of the wicked devoureth iniquity.

■ 29. Judgments are ■ prepared for scorners,

and stripes for the back of fools.

CHAPTER 20

1. Wine *is* a mocker, strong drink *is* raging: and

whosoever is deceivedthereby is not wise.

- 2. The fear of a king is
 as the roaring of a
 lion: whose provoket
- lion: whoso provoketh
 him to anger sinneth
 against his own soul.
- 3. It is an honour for a man to cease from
 strife: but every fool
- will be meddling.
 4. The sluggard will not
 plow by reason of the cold;
 therefore shall he beg in

harvest, and have nothing.

- 5. Counsel in the heart of man is like deep water; but a man of understanding
 will draw it out.
- 6. Most men will proclaim
 every one his own
- goodness: but a faithful man who can find?
- 7. The just man walketh in
 his integrity: his children
 are blessed after him.
- 8. A king that sitteth in
 the throne of judgment
 scattereth away all
- evil with his eyes.
- 9. Who can say, I have made my heart clean,I am pure from my sin?
 - 10. **Divers weights, and** divers
- measures, both of them
- abomination to the LORD.
- 11. Even a child is known by his doings, whether his
 - work *be* pure, and whether *it be* right.
- 12. The hearing ear, and the
 seeing eye, the LORD hath
 made even both of them.
 - 13. Love not sleep, lest thou

come to poverty; open thine eyes, and thou shalt be satisfied with bread. 14. It is nought, it is nought, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth. 15. There is gold, and a multitude of rubies: but the lips of knowledge are a precious jewel. 16. Take his garment that is surety *for* a stranaer: and take a pledge of him for a strange woman. 17. Bread of deceit is sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel. 18. Every purpose is established by counsel: and with good advice make war. 19. He that goeth about as a talebearer revealeth secrets: therefore meddle not with him that flattereth with his lips. 20. Whoso curseth his father or his mother, his lamp shall be put out in obscure darkness. 21. An inheritance may be gotten hastily at the beginning: but the end thereof shall not be blessed. 22. Say not thou, I will recompense evil; but wait on the LORD. and he shall save thee. 23. Divers weights are an abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance is not good. 24. Man's goings are of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way? 25. It is a snare to the man who devoureth that which is holy, and after vows to make inquiry. 26 A wise king scattereth

the wicked, and bringeth the wheel over them. 27. The spirit of man is the candle of the LORD. searching all the inward parts of the belly. 28. Mercy and truth preserve the king: and his throne is upholden by mercy. 29. The alory of young men is their strength: and the beauty of old men is the grey head. 30. The blueness of a wound cleanseth away evil: so do stripes the inward parts of the belly.

CHAPTER 21

■ 1. The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD,

as the rivers of water: he turneth it

whithersoever he will.2. Every way of a man is

right in his own eyes:

but the LORD pondereth

the hearts.

3. To do justice and judgment is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

4. An high look, and a proud heart, and the plowing of the wicked.

■ is sin.

5. The thoughts of the diligent tend only to plenteousness; but of every one that is hasty only to want.

6. The getting of treasuresby a lying tongue is a

vanity tossed to and fro of them that seek death.

7. The robbery of the wicked shall destroy them; because they refuse to do judgment.

8. The way of man is froward and strange:

■1 but as for the pure. his work is right. ■ 9. It is better to dwell in a ■ corner of the housetop. than with a brawlina woman in a wide house. 10. The soul of the wicked desireth evil: his neighbour findeth no favour in his eyes. 11. When the scorner is punished, the simple is made wise: and when the wise is instructed, he receiveth knowledge. 12. The righteous man wisely considereth the house of the wicked: but God overthroweth the wicked for their wickedness. 13. Whoso stoppeth his ears at the cry of the poor, he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard. 14. A gift in secret pacifieth anger: and a reward in the bosom strong wrath. 15. It is joy to the just to do judament: but destruction shall be to the workers of iniquity. 16. **The man that wandereth** out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead. 17. He that loveth pleasure shall be a poor man: he that loveth wine and oil shall not be rich. 18. The wicked shall be a ransom for the righteous. ■ and the transgressor ■ for the upright. ■ 19. It is better to dwell in ■ | the wilderness, than with a contentious and an angry woman. 20. There is treasure to be desired and oil in the dwelling of the wise; but a

I foolish man spendeth it up.

21 He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour. 22. A wise man scaleth the ■ 1 city of the mighty, and casteth down the strength of the confidence thereof. 23. Whoso keepeth his mouth and his tongue keepeth his soul from troubles. 24. Proud and haughty scorner is his name, who dealeth in proud wrath. 25. The desire of the slothful killeth him: for his hands refuse to labour. 26. He coveteth areedily all the day long: but the righteous giveth and spareth not. 27. The sacrifice of the wicked is abomination: how much more, when he bringeth it with a wicked mind? 28. A false witness shall perish: but the man that heareth speaketh constantly.

29. A wicked man hardeneth his face: but as for the upright, he directeth his way. 30. There is no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD. 31. The horse is prepared against the day of battle: but safety is of

the LORD.

CHAPTER 22

1. A GOOD name is rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold. 2. The rich and poor meet together: the LÖRD is the maker of them all. 3. A prudent man foreseeth

the evil, and hideth himself: | ■ | but the simple pass on,

and are punished. 4. By humility and the fear of the LORD are riches. and honour, and life. 5. Thorns and snares are in the way of the froward: he that doth keep his soul shall be far from them. 6. Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it. 7. The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower is servant to the lender. 8. He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity: and the rod of his anger shall fail. 9. He that hath a bountiful eve shall be blessed: for he giveth of his bread to the poor. 10. Cast out the scorner, and contention shall go out; yea, strife and reproach shall cease. 11. He that loveth pureness of heart. for the grace of his lips the king shall be his friend. 12. The eves of the LORD preserve knowledge, and he overthroweth the words of the transgressor. 13. The slothful man saith. There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets. 14. The mouth of strange women is a deep pit; he that is abhorred of the LORD shall fall therein. 15. Foolishness is bound in the heart of a child: but the rod of correction shall drive it far from him. 16. He that oppresseth the poor to increase his riches, and he that giveth to the rich, shall surely come to want.

17. Bow down thine ear,

and hear the words of the

wise, and apply thine heart unto my knowledge. 18. For it is a pleasant thing if thou keep them within thee; they shall withal be fitted in thy lips. 19. That thy trust may be in the LORD. I have made known to thee this day. even to thee. 20. Have not I written to thee excellent things in counsels and knowledge, 21. That I might make thee know the certainty of the words of truth; that thou mightest answer the words of truth to them that send unto thee? 22. Rob not the **poor**, because he is poor: neither oppress the afflicted in the gate: 23. For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them. 24. Make no friendship with an anary man: and with a furious man thou shalt not ao: 25. Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul. 26. **Be not** thou one of them that strike hands. or of them that are sureties for debts. 27. If thou hast nothing to pay, why should he take away thy bed from under thee? 28. Remove not the ancient landmark, which thy fathers have set. 29. Seest thou a man diligent in his business? he

CHAPTER 23

1. When thou sittest to
eat with a ruler,
consider diligently
what is before thee:

shall stand before kings; he

shall not stand before mean men.

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PROVERBS 23 And put a knife to thy throat, if thou be a man given to appetite. ■ 3. Be not desirous of his dainties: for they *are* deceitful meat. 4. Labour not to be rich: cease from thine own wisdom. 5. Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for riches certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven. 6. Eat thou not the bread of him that hath an evil eve, neither desire thou his dainty meats: 7. For as he thinketh in his heart, so *is* he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee. ■ 8. The morsel which thou hast eaten shalt thou vomit up, and lose thy sweet words. ■ 9. Speak not in the ears of a fool: for he will despise the wisdom of thy words. 10. Remove not the old landmark; and enter not into the fields of the fatherless: 11. For their redeemer is mighty; he shall plead I their cause with thee. 12. Apply thine heart unto instruction, and thine **ears to** the words of knowledge. 13. Withhold not correction I from the child: for if thou beatest him with the rod. ■ he shall not die. 14. Thou shalf beat him with the rod, and shalt

deliver his soul from hell.

16. Yea, my reins shall rejoice, when thy lips

■ 15. My son, if thine heart

■ be wise, my heart shall

rejoice, even mine.

speak right things. 17. Let not thine heart envy sinners: but be thou in the fear of the LORD all the day long. 18. For surely there is an end: and thine expectation shall not be cut off. 19. **Hear** thou, my son, and be wise, and auide thine heart in the way. 20. Be not among . winebibbers: amona riotous eaters of flesh: 21. For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to poverty: and drowsiness shall clothe a man with rags. 22. Hearken unto thy father that begat thee. and despise not thy mother when she is old. 23. Buy the truth, and sell it not; also wisdom, and instruction, and understandina. 24. The father of the righteous shall greatly rejoice: and he that beaetteth a wise *child* shall have lov of him. 25. Thy father and thy mother shall be glad, and she that bare thee shall rejoice. 26. My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eves observe my ways. 27. For a whore is a deep ditch; and a strange woman is a narrow pit. 28. **She** also lieth in wait as *for* a prev. and increaseth the transgressors among men. 29. Who hath woe? who hath SOFFOW? who hath contentions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without cause? who hath redness of eyes? 30. They that tarry long at the wine; they that go

to seek mixed wine. 31 Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth his colour in the cup. when it moveth itself aright. 32. At the last it biteth like a serpent. and stingeth like an adder. 33. Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things. 34. Yea, thou shalt be as he that lieth down in the midst of the sea, or as he that lieth upon the top of a mast. 35. They have stricken me, shalt thou say. ■ | and | was not sick; they ■ have beaten me, and l felt it not: when shall I awake? I will seek it yet

■ again.

CHAPTER 24 ■ 1. Be not thou envious against evil men, neither desire to be with them. 2. For their heart studieth destruction, and their lips talk of mischief. 3. Through wisdom is an house builded: and by understanding it is established: 4. And by knowledge shall the chambers be filled with all precious and pleasant riches. 5. A wise man is strong; yea, a man of knowledge increaseth strength. 6. For by wise counsel thou shalt make thy war: and in multitude of counsellors there is safety. 7. Wisdom is too high for a fool: he openeth not his mouth in the gate.

8. He that deviseth to do

evil shall be called a

mischievous person. 9. The thought of foolishness *is* sin: and the scorner is an abomination to men. If thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strenath is small. 11. If thou forbear to deliver them that are drawn unto death, and those that are ready to be slain: 12. If thou sayest, Behold, we knew it not; doth not he that pondereth the heart consider it? and he that keepeth thy soul, doth not be know it? and shall not be render to *every* man according to his works? 13. My son, eat thou honey, because it is good; and the honeycomb, which is sweet to thy taste: 14. So shall the knowledge of wisdom be unto the soul: when thou hast found it, then there shall be a reward, and thy expectation shall not be cut off. 15. Lay not wait, O wicked man, against the dwelling of the righteous; spoil not his resting place: 16. For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief. Rejoice not when thine enemy falleth, and let not thine heart be glad when he stumbleth: 18. Lest the LORD see it. and it displease him, and he turn away his wrath from him. 19. Fret not thyself because of evil men. neither be thou envious at the wicked: 20. For there shall be no

reward to the evil man: the

candle of the wicked shall be put out. 21. My son.

fear thou

■ the LORD and

the king: and meddle

not with them that are

given to change:

22. For their calamity shall rise suddenly; and who

knoweth the ruin of them both?

23. These things also belong to the wise.

It is not good to have

respect of

persons in judgment.

24. He that saith unto the ■ wicked, Thou art

righteous; him

shall the people curse.

nations shall abhor him:

25. But to them that rebuke

him shall be delight, and a good

blessing shall come upon them.

■ 26. Every man shall ■ kiss his lips that

giveth a right answer.

27. Prepare thy work without, and make it fit for thyself in the

field: and afterwards build thine house.

28. Be not a witness against thy neighbour

without cause: and deceive not with thy lips.

29. Say not, I will do so

to him as he hath done to me: I will render to the man

according to his work.

30. I went by the field of the slothful, and by the vineyard of the man void of understanding;

31. **And**, lo,

it was all grown over with thorns, and nettles

had covered the face thereof.

and the stone

wall thereof was

broken down.

32. Then I saw, and considered it well:

I looked upon it, and received instruction.

■ 33. Yet a little sleep, a

little slumber.

a little folding of the

hands to sleep:

34. So shall thy poverty come as one that

travelleth: and thy want

as an armed man.

CHAPTER 25

1. These are also proverbs of Solomon, which the men of

Hezekiah king of Judah

copied out.

2. It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the

honour of kings is to search out a matter.

The heaven for height, and the earth for depth,

and the heart of kings

is unsearchable.

 Take away the dross from the silver, and there

shall come forth

a vessel for the finer.

5. Take away the wicked from before the king.

and his throne shall be established in

righteousness.

6. Put not forth

thyself in the presence of the king, and stand not in

the place of great *men*: 7. For better it is that it

be said unto thee.

Come up hither: than

that thou shouldest

be put lower in the presence of the prince

whom thine eyes have seen.

Go not forth

hastily to strive, lest thou

know not what to do in the end thereof, when thy

neighbour hath put thee to shame. 9 Debate thy cause with

thy neighbour himself,

and discover not a secret

to another:

10. Lest he that heareth

it put thee to shame, and thine infamy turn not away.

11. A word fitly spoken

is like apples of

gold in pictures of silver.

12. **As** an earning of

gold, and an ornament of fine gold, so is a wise reprover

upon an obedient ear.

the time of harvest, so is a faithful messenger to them that send him: for he refresheth

the soul of his masters.

■ 14. Whoso boasteth himself of a false gift is

■ like clouds and wind without rain.

15. By long forbearing is a prince persuaded, and a soft tongue breaketh the bone.

16. Hast thou found

honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee.

lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

17. Withdraw thy foot

from thy neighbour's house; lest he be weary

of thee, and so hate thee.

18. A man that beareth false

witness against his neighbour is a maul, and a sword.

and a sharp arrow.

19. Confidence in an unfaithful man in time of trouble is like a broken tooth, and a foot out of joint.

20. As he that taketh away a garment in cold weather.

and as vinegar upon nitre,

so is he that singeth songs

to an heavy heart.

21. If thine enemy be hungry, give him

bread to eat;

and if he be thirsty, give him water to drink:

22. For thou shalt heapcoals of fire upon his

head, and the LORD shall reward thee.

23. The north wind driveth

■ away rain: so *doth* an

angry countenance abackbiting tongue.

24. It is better to dwell in the corner of the housetop, than with a brawling woman and in a wide house.

25. As cold waters to a
thirsty soul, so is good
news from a far country.

26. A righteous man falling down before the wicked is as a troubled fountain.

and a corrupt spring. 27. *It is* not good to eat

much honey: so

for men to search their
 own glory is not glory.
 28 He that hath no rule

over his own spirit is like
city that is broken down, and

without walls.

CHAPTER 26

1. As snow in summer,
and as rain in harvest,
so honour is not seemly
for a fool.

2. As the bird by
wandering, as the swallow
by flying, so the curse
causeless shall not come.

3. A whip for the horse, a bridle for the ass, and a rod for the fool's back.

4. Answer not a fool according to his

folly, lest thou also be like unto

him.

5. Answer a fool according to his folly, lest he be wise in his own conceit.6. He that sendeth a

message by the hand
of a fool cutteth off the
feet, and drinketh damage.

7. The legs of the lame are not equal: so is a parable in the mouth of fools.

8. As he that bindeth a stone in a sling, so is he that giveth honour to a fool.

9. **As a thorn goeth** up

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drunkard, so is a parable in the mouths of fools.

10. **The** great

■ | God that formed all

■ *thinas* both

■ rewardeth the

fool, and rewardeth

transgressors.

11. As a dog returneth to his vomit, so a fool returneth

to his folly.

> 12. Seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? there

is more hope of a

fool than of him.

13. The slothful man saith, There is a lion in the way: a lion is in the streets.

14. As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed.

15. The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.

16. The sluggard is wiser in his own conceit than seven men that can

render a reason.

17. He that passeth by, and

meddleth with strife belonging not to him, is

like one that taketh a dog by the ears.

18. **As a mad** *man* who casteth firebrands.

arrows, and death,

19. So is the man that deceiveth his neighbour,

and saith. Am not I in sport?

20. Where no wood is, there the fire goeth out: so where

there is no talebearer.

■ the strife ceaseth.

21. As coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire:

so is a contentious

l man to kindle strife. 22. The words of a

talebearer are as

wounds, and they go down into the innermost parts of the belly.

23. Burning lips and a wicked heart are like

a potsherd covered

with silver dross.

24. He that hateth dissembleth with his

lips, and layeth up

deceif within him:

25. When he speaketh fair, believe him not: for there are

seven abominations in his heart

26. Whose hatred is

covered by deceit. **•** (

his wickedness shall be shewed

before the whole congregation.

27. Whoso diggeth a pit

shall fall therein: and he that rolleth a stone, it

will return upon him.

28. A lying tongue hateth those that are

afflicted by it: and a

flattering mouth

worketh ruin.

CHAPTER 27

Boast not thyself.

of to-morrow; for thou

knowest not what a day may bring forth.

Let another man

praise thee, and not thine own mouth; a stranger.

and not thine own lips.

3. A stone is heavy, and the sand weighty;

but a fool's wrath is

heavier than them both.

Wrath is cruel. and anger is

outrageous; but who is able to stand before envy?

Open rebuke is better

than secret love.

Faithful are the wounds

of a friend: but the kisses of an enemy *are* deceifful.

7. The full soul loatheth

an honeycomb; but to the hungry soul every

bitter thing is sweet.

8. As a bird that wandereth

from her nest, so is a man that wandereth

from his place.

Ointment and perfume rejoice the heart; so doth the sweetness of a man's friend by hearty counsel. 10. Thine own friend, and thy father's friend, forsake not; neither go into thy brother's house in the day of thy calamity: for better is a neighbour that is

near than a brother far off. 11. My son.

be wise, and make my heart glad, that I may answer him

that reproacheth me.

12. A prudent man foreseeth the evil. and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.

> 13. Take his garment that is surety for a stranger, and take a pledge of him for a strange woman.

14. He that blesseth

his friend with a loud

voice, rising

early in the morning, it shall be counted a curse to him.

15. A continual dropping in a very rainy day and a contentious woman are alike.

> 16. Whosoever hideth her hideth the wind, and the ointment of his right hand, which bewrayeth itself.

17. Iron sharpeneth iron: so a man sharpeneth the countenance of his friend. 18. Whoso keepeth the fig tree shall eat the fruit thereof:

so he that waiteth on his master shall be honoured.

19. As in water face answereth to face, so the heart of man to man.

20. Hell and destruction are never full; so the eyes of man are never satisfied.

21. As the fining pot for silver, and the furnace

for gold; so is a man

to his praise.

22. Though thou shouldest

bray a fool in a mortar amona

wheat with a pestle.

vet will not his foolishness depart from him.

23. Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks,

and look well to thy

herds.

For riches are not for ever: and doth the crown

endure to every generation? 25. The hav appeareth.

and the tender grass sheweth itself, and

herbs of the mountains

are gathered.

26. **The lambs are for** thy clothing, and the

goats are the price of the field.

27. And thou shalt have

goats' milk enough for thy food.

maintenance for thy maidens.

for the food of thy household, and for the

CHAPTER 28

 The wicked flee when no man pursueth: but the righteous are bold as a lion. 2. For the transgression

of a land many are the princes thereof:

but by a man of understanding and

knowledge the state thereof

shall be prolonged.

3. A poor man that oppresseth the poor is like a sweeping rain which leaveth no food.

4. They that forsake the law praise the wicked: but such as keep the law

contend with them. Evil men understand

not judgment: but they that seek the LORD understand all things.

6. Better is the

POOr that walketh

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uprightness, than *he* that is perverse in his ways. though he be rich. 7. Whoso keepeth the law is a wise son: but he that is a companion of riotous men shameth his father. 8. He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor. He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination. 10. Whoso causeth the righteous to go astray in an evil way. he shall fall I himself into his own pit: but the upright shall have good things in possession. 11. The rich man is wise in his own conceit: but the poor that hath l understandina searcheth him out. 12. When righteous men do rejoice, there is great glory: but when the wicked rise, a man is hidden. ■ 1 13. He that covereth his sins shall not prosper: but whoso confesseth and forsaketh them ■ shall have mercy. 14. Happy is the man that feareth alway: but he that hardeneth his heart shall fall into mischief. 15. As a roaring lion, and a ranging bear: so is a wicked ruler over the poor people. ■ | 16. The prince that wanteth understanding is also a great oppressor: but he that hateth covetousness **=** 1 shall prolong his days. 17. A man that doeth violence to the blood of any person

shall flee to the pit: let no man stay him. 18. Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but *he that is* perverse in his ways shall fall at once. 19. **He that tilleth his land** shall have plenty of bread: but he that followeth after vain *persons* shall have poverty enough. 20. A faithful man shall abound with blessings; but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent. 21. To have respect of persons is not good: for for a piece of bread that man will transaress. 22. He that hasteth to be rich hath an evil eye. and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him. 23. He that rebuketh a man afterwards shall find more favour than he that flattereth with the tongue. 24. Whoso robbeth his father or his mother, and saith, It is no transgression; the same is the companion of a destrover. 25. He that is of a proud heart stirreth up strife: but he that putteth his trust in the LORD shall be made fat. 26. **He that trusteth in his** own heart is a fool: but whoso walketh wisely, he shall be delivered. 27. He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but **he that hideth** his eyes shall have many a curse. 28. When the wicked rise, men hide themselves: but when they perish, the righteous increase.

CHAPTER 29

■ 1 1. He, that being often reproved hardeneth his neck, shall suddenly ■ be destroyed, and that without remedy. 2. When the righteous are

in authority, the people rejoice: but when the wicked beareth rule. the people mourn.

3. Whoso loveth wisdom rejoiceth his father: but he that keepeth company with harlots spendeth

his substance. 4. The king by judgment establisheth the land:

but he that receiveth gifts overthroweth it.

5. A man that flattereth his neighbour spreadeth a net for his feet.

6. In the transgression of an evil man there is a snare: but the righteous doth sing and

rejoice.

7. The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: but the wicked regardeth not to know it. 8. Scornful men bring a

city into a snare: but wise men turn away wrath.

9. If a wise man

contendeth with a foolish man, whether he rage or laugh,

there is no rest.

10. The bloodthirsty hate the upright: but the just seek his soul.

11. A fool uttereth all his mind: but a wise man

keepeth it in till afterwards.

12. If a ruler hearken to lies, all his servants are wicked.

13. The poor and the deceitful man meet together: the LORD

lighteneth both

■ their eyes.

14. The king that faithfully judgeth the poor, his throne shall be established for ever. 15. The rod and reproof give wisdom: but a child left to *himself* bringeth his mother to shame. When the wicked are multiplied, transgression increaseth: but the riahteous shall see their fall.

17. Correct thy son, and he shall give thee rest; yea, he shall give delight unto thy soul.

18. Where there is no vision, the people perish: but he that keepeth the law, happy is he.

19. A servant will not be corrected by words: for though he understand he will not answer. 20. Seest thou a man that

is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him.

21. He that delicately bringeth up his servant from a child shall have him become his son at the length.

22. An angry man stirreth up strife, and a furious man aboundeth in transgression.

23. A man's pride shall bring him low: but honour shall uphold the humble in spirit.

24. Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth it not.

25. The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whose putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe.

26. Many seek the ruler's favour; but every man's judament cometh from the LORD.

27. An unjust man is

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■ I

■ Lan abomination to the just: and he that is ■ upright in the way is abomination to

■ the wicked.

CHAPTER 30

■ | 1. The words of Agur the son of Jakeh, even the prophecy: the man spake unto Ithiel, even

unto Ithiel and Ucal,

■ 2. Surely I am more

■ **brutish** than any man, ■ I and have not the

understanding of a man.

3. I neither learned I wisdom, nor have the

knowledge of the holy.

4. Who hath ascended up into heaven, or

descended? who hath

gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound

the waters in a garment?

who hath

established all the ends of the earth? what is his

name, and what is

his son's name, if thou canst tell?

5. Every word of

God is pure: he is a shield unto them that

put their trust in him.

6. Add thou not unto his ■ words, lest he reprove

thee, and thou be found a liar.

7. Two things have I required of thee; deny

me them not before I die:

■ 8. **Remove** far

from me vanity and lies: give me neither poverty nor

riches; feed me with food

convenient for me:

■ 9. Lest I be full, and deny

■ I thee, and say, Who is the LORD? ■ or lest I be poor, and steal,

and take the name of my

■ God in vain.

10. Accuse not a **servant** unto his master.

■ lest he curse thee, and

thou be found guilty.

11. There is a generation that curseth their father.

and doth not bless their mother.

12. There is a generation that

are pure in their own eyes, and vet is not washed

from their filthiness.

13. There is a generation, O how lofty are their eyes!

and their evelids are lifted up.

14. There is a generation,

whose teeth *are as*

swords, and their iaw teeth as knives, to devour the

POOI from off the earth, and the needy from amona men.

15. The horseleach hath two daughters, crying,

Give, give. There are

three things that

are never satisfied. yea, four things say

not, It is enough: 16. The grave; and

the barren womb: the earth that is not filled with water: and the fire that

saith not, It is enough.

17. The eye that

mocketh at his father. and despiseth to obey

his mother, the ravens of the valley shall pick it out, and the young eagles shall eat it.

18. There be three

things which are too wonderful for me.

yea, four which I know not:

19. The way of an eagle in the air; the way of a

serpent upon a

rock: the way of a

ship in the midst of the sea: and the way of

a man with a maid.

20. Such is the way of an adulterous woman; she eateth, and wipeth her mouth,

and saith, I have done

no wickedness.

21. For three things the earth is disquieted, and for

four which it cannot bear: 22. For a servant when he reigneth; and a fool when he is filled with meat; 23. For an odious woman when she is married: and an handmaid that is heir to her mistress. 24. There be four things which are little upon the earth, but they are exceeding wise: 25. The ants are a people not strong, yet they prepare their meat in the summer: 26. The conies are but a feeble folk, yet make they their houses in the rocks: 27. The locusts have no king, yet go they forth all of them by bands; 28. The spider taketh hold with her hands, and is in kings' palaces. 29. There be three things which go well, yea, four are comely in going: 30. A lion which is strongest among beasts, and turneth not away for any; 31. A greyhound; an he goat also; and a king, against whom there is no rising up. 32. If thou hast done foolishly in lifting up thyself, Of if thou hast thought evil, lay thine hand upon thy mouth. 33. Surely the churning of milk bringeth forth butter, and the wringing of the

CHAPTER 31

■ 1. The words of king ■ Lemuel, the prophecy |■| that his mother taught him.

so the forcing of wrath

|■| bringeth forth strife.

nose bringeth forth blood:

2. What, my son? and what, the son of my womb? and what, the son of my vows? Give not thy strength unto women, nor thy ways to that which destroyeth kings. 4. It is not for kings. O Lemuel, it is not for kings to drink wine; nor for princes strong drink: 5. Lest they drink, and forget the law, and pervert the judgment of any of the afflicted. 6. Give strong drink unto him that is ready to perish, and wine unto those that be of heavy hearts. 7. Let him drink, and forget his poverty, and remember his misery no more. Open thy mouth for the dumb in the cause of all such as are appointed to destruction. Open thy mouth, judge righteously, and plead the cause of the poor and needy. 10. Who can find a virtuous woman? for her price is far above rubies. The heart of her husband doth safely trust in her, so that he shall have no need of spoil. 12. She will do him good and not evil all the days of her life. 13. She seeketh wool, and flax, and worketh willingly with her hands. 14. She is like the merchants' ships: she bringeth her food from afar. 15. She riseth also

while it is vet

night, and giveth meat

to her household, and

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	a portion to her maidens. 16. She considereth a field, and buyeth it: with the fruit of her hands she planteth
	a vineyard.
	17. She girdeth
	her loins with strength,
	and strengtheneth her arms.
	18. She perceiveth that
	her merchandise is
	good: her candle
	goeth not out by night.
	19. She layeth her hands to
	the spindle, and her hands hold the distaff.
	ine disidii.
	20. She stretcheth out her hand to the poor; yea,
-	she reacheth forth her hands to
	the needy.
	21. She is not afraid of
	the snow for her household:
	for all
	her household <i>are</i>
	clothed with scarlet.

22. She maketh herself

coverings of tapestry:

23. Her husband is known

in the gates, when he sitteth

among the elders of the land.

her clothing is silk

and purple.

linen, and selleth it; and delivereth girdles unto the merchant. 25. Strength and honour are her clothing; and she shall rejoice in time to come. 26. She openeth her mouth with wisdom: and in her tongue is the law of kindness. 27 She looketh well to the ways of her household. and eateth not the bread of idleness. 28. Her children arise up, and call her blessed: her husband also, and he praiseth her. 29. Many daughters have done virtuously, but thou excellest them all. 30. Favour is deceitful. and beauty is vain: but a woman that feareth the LORD, she shall be praised. 31. Give her of the fruit of her hands; and let her own works praise her in ■ the gates.

24. She maketh fine

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1. The words of the Preacher.
 - the son of David, king in Jerusalem.
- 2. Vanity of vanities, saith the Preacher, vanity of vanities:
- all is vanity.
- 3. What profit hath
- a man of all
- his labour which he taketh under the sun?
- 4. One generation passeth away.
- and another generation
- cometh: but the earth abideth for ever.
- 5. The sun also ariseth.
- and the sun
- qoeth down, and hasteth to his place where he arose.
- 6. The wind goeth toward the south, and
- turneth about unto the north; it
- whirleth about continually.
- and the wind
- returneth

again according to his circuits.

- 7. All the rivers run into the sea; yet the sea is not full; unto the place from whence the rivers come, thither they return again.
- 8. All things are full of labour; man cannot utter it: the eye

is not satisfied with seeing, nor the ear filled with hearing.

- 9. The thing that
- hath been, it is that which
- **shall be:** and that which is done is that which shall be done:
- and there is no new thing under the sun.
- 10. Is there any thing
- whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us.
 - 11. There is no remembrance of former things; neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after.
- 12. the Preacher
- was king over Israel in Jerusalem.
 - 13. And I gave my heart

- to seek and search out by
- wisdom concerning all things that are done under heaven: this sore travail hath God given to the sons of man to be exercised therewith.
- 14. I have seen all the works that are
- **.** done under the sun:
- and. behold.
- all is vanity and vexation of spirit.
- 15. That which is crooked cannot be made straight:

and that which is wanting cannot be numbered.

- 16 I communed with mine own heart.
- saying, Lo, I am come to great estate, and have gotten more wisdom than all they that have been before me in Jerusalem: vea. my heart had great experience of wisdom and knowledge.
- 17. And I gave my heart to
- know wisdom, and to know
 - madness and folly:
 - I perceived that
 - this also is vexation
- of spirit.
- 18. For in much wisdom is
- much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. I said in mine heart. Go to now,
- I will prove thee with mirth, therefore
- enjoy pleasure: and, behold,
- this also is vanity.
 - I said of
- laughter, It
- is mad:
 - and of mirth. What doeth it?
 - I sought in mine heart
- to give myself unto wine, yet acquainting mine heart with wisdom;
- and to lay hold on
- folly, till I might see what was that good for the sons of men, which they should do under the heaven all the days of their life.
 - 4. I made me great works;
 - I builded me
- houses; I planted me

vineyards:

- 5. I made me
- gardens and
- orchards, and I planted
 - frees in them of all kind of fruits:
 - 6. **I made** me
- pools of water.
- **to water** therewith the wood that bringeth forth
- trees:
- 7. **I got** me
- servants and maidens.
- and had servants born

in my house; also I

■ had great possessions

of great and small cattle

- above all that were
 in Jerusalem before me:
 - 8. I aathered me also
- silver and
- gold, and the peculiar treasure of kings
- and of the provinces:
- I gat me men singers
- and women singers,
 - as musical instruments, and that of all sorts.
- 9. So I was great, and
- increased more than all that were before me
- in Jerusalem: also my
 wisdom remained with me
 - 10. And whatsoever mine eyes desired I kept not from them.
- I withheld not my heart
- from any joy; for my heart

rejoiced in all my labour: and this was my portion of all my labour.

- 11. Then I looked on all the works that my hands had
 wrought, and on the labour that I
- had laboured to do:
- and, behold, all was vanity and vexation of spirit,
- and there was no profitunder the sun.
 - 12. And I turned myself
- to behold
 - wisdom, and
 - madness, and folly: for what can the man do that cometh after the king? even that which

- hath been already done.
- 13. Then I saw that wisdom excelleth folly,
 - as far as light excelleth darkness.
 - 14. The wise man's eyes
- the fool walketh in
- darkness: and I myself
 - perceived also that one event happeneth to them all.
 - 15. Then said I in my heart,
- As it happeneth to the fool,
 so it happeneth even to me;
 and why was I then more
- wise? Then I said in my heart, that this also is vanity.
 - 16. For there is no remembrance of the wise more than of the fool for ever; seeing that which now is in the days to come shall all be forgotten. And how dieth the wise man?
- how dieth the wise man?
 as the fool.
 17 Therefore I hated life:
 - 17. **Therefore I hated life;** because the work that is wrought under the sun *is* grievous unto me:
- for all is vanity and vexation of spirit.
- 18. Yea, I hated all my
 - labour

- which I had taken under the sun:
- because I should leave it unto the man that shall be
- unto the man that shall be after me.
 19. And who knoweth
 whether he shall be a wise
 - whether he shall be a wise man or a fool? yet shall he have rule over all my labour wherein I have laboured, and wherein I have shewed myself wise under the sun. This is also vanity.
 - 20. Therefore I went about to cause my heart to despair of all the labour which I took under the sun.
- 21. For there is a man whose labour is in wisdom, and in knowledge, and in equity;
- yet to a man that hath not
- laboured therein shall he leave it
 - shall he leave it for his portion.
- This also
 - is vanity and a great
- evil.

- 22. For what hath man of all his labour, and of the vexation of his heart, wherein he hath laboured under the sun?
- 23. For all his days are
- sorrows, and his travail arief: yea, his heart taketh
- not rest

in the night. This is also vanity. 24. There is nothing better for

- a man, than that he
- should eat and drink, and that he should
- make his soul enjoy good in his labour. This also

I saw, that it

■ | was from the hand of God.

25. For who can eat. or who else can hasten hereunto, more than I?

■ 26. For God giveth

to a man that is good in his sight

■ wisdom, and

- knowledge, and joy: ■ but to the sinner
- he giveth travail,

to gather and to heap up. that he may give to him that is good before God.

■ This also is vanity and vexation of spirit.

CHAPTER 3

- | 1. To every thing there is a season, and a fime to
 - every purpose under the heaven:

- 2. A time to be born, and a time to
- **die:** a time
- to plant, and a time to
- pluck up that which is planted;
 - 3. A time
- to kill, and a time to
- heal; a time
- to break down, and a time to ■ | build up:
 - 4. A time
- to weep, and a time to
- | laugh; a time
- to mourn, and a time to
 - dance:
 - 5. A time

- to cast away stones, and
- gather stones together; a time to embrace, and a time
- to refrain from embracina:
 - 6 A time
- to aet, and a time to
- lose: a time
- to keep, and a time to
- cast away;
 - 7. A time
- to rend, and a time
- to sew: a time
- to keep silence, and a time to speak:
 - 8. A time
- to love, and a time to
- hate: a time of war, and a time of peace.
 - 9. What profit hath he that worketh in
- that wherein he laboureth? 10. I have seen the travail.
- which God hath given to the sons of men to be exercised in it.
- 11. He hath made every
- thing beautiful in his time: also he hath set the world
 - in their heart, so that no man can find out the work that God maketh
- from the beginning to the end. 12. I know that there is no
- good in them, but for a man to rejoice,
- and to do good in his life.
 - 13. And also that
- every man should eat and drink, and enjoy the good
- of all his labour, it is the gift of God.
 - 14 I know that.
- whatsoever God doeth, it shall be for ever: nothing
- can be put to it, nor any thing
- taken from it: and God
- doeth it, that men should fear before him.
- 15. That which hath been is
 - **now:** and that which is to be hath already been; and God requireth that which is past.
- 16. And moreover I saw under the sun
- the place of judgment, that

wickedness was there: and the place of

righteousness, that iniquity was there.

17. I said in mine heart.

God shall judge the righteous and the wicked:

for there is a time there for every purpose and for every work.

18. I said in mine heart

concerning the estate of the sons of men, that God

might manifest them, and

that they might see that they themselves

are beasts.

19. For that which befalleth the sons of men befalleth

beasts; even one thing befalleth them; as the one dieth, so dieth the other; yea, they have all one breath;

so that a man hath no preeminence above a

beast: for all is vanity.

20. All go unto one place; all are of the dust, and

all turn to dust again.

■ 21. Who knoweth the spirit of man that goeth upward, and the spirit of the beast

that goeth downward to the earth?

22. Wherefore I perceive that

there is nothing better, than ■ that a man should rejoice

■ in his own works:

for that is his portion:

for who shall bring him to see what shall be

■ after him?

CHAPTER 4

■ 1. So I returned, and

considered all the

oppressions that are done under the sun: and behold the lears of such as were oppressed,

and they had no comforter: and on the side of their

■ oppressors there was

power; but they had no comforter. 2. Wherefore I praised the

■ dead which are already dead

more than the living which are vet alive.

Yea. better is he

than both they. which hath not vet been.

who hath not seen the

evil work that is done under the sun.

4. Again, I considered all travail, and

every right work, that for this a man is envied of his neighbour.

This is also vanity and vexation of spirit.

The fool foldeth.

his hands

together, and eateth his own flesh.

6 Better is an handful with quietness, than both the hands full with travail

and vexation of spirit.

7. Then I returned, and I saw vanity under the sun.

8. There is one alone, and there is not a second:

yea, he hath neither child nor brother: yet is there

no end of all his labour; neither is his eye satisfied

with riches: neither saith he. For whom do I labour.

and bereave my soul of good?

This is also vanity, vea, it is a sore travail.

9. Two are better than one: because they have a good reward for their labour.

10. For if they fall, the one will lift up his fellow:

but woe to him that is alone when he falleth:

for *he hath* not another to

help him up.

> 11. Again, if two lie together, then

they have heat:

but how can one be warm alone?

12. And if one prevail against him, two shall withstand him; and a threefold cord is not quickly broken.

13. Better is a poor and a

wise child than an old and foolish king.

who will no more be admonished.

14. For out of prison he cometh to reign:

whereas also he that is born in his kingdom becometh poor.

- 15. I considered all the living which walk under the sun, with the second child that shall stand up in his stead.
- 16. There is no end of all the people, even of all that have been before them:
- they also that come after ■ shall not rejoice in him.
- Surely this also
- **is vanity** and vexation of spirit.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Keep thy foot
- when thou goest to the
- house of God, and
- be more ready to hear. than to give the sacrifice of
- fools: for they consider not that they do evil.
- 2. Be not rash with thy
 - mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter any thing before God:
- for God is in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.
- 3. For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and
- a fool's voice is known by multitude of words.
- 4. When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for he hath no pleasure in fools:
- pay that which thou hast vowed.
 - 5. Better is it that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay.
- 6. Suffer not thy mouth to cause thy flesh to sin;

neither say thou before the angel, that it was an error: wherefore should God be angry at thy voice, and destroy the work of thine hands?

- For in the multitude of dreams and
- many words there are also divers
- vanities: but fear thou God.
 - 8. If thou seest the

- oppression of the poor, and violent perverting of judgment and justice in a province.
- marvel not at the matter:
- for *he that is* higher than the highest regardeth: and there be higher than they.
- Moreover the profit of the earth is for all:

the king himself is served by the field.

- 10. He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance. with increase: this is also vanity.
 - 11. When goods increase, they are increased that eat them; and what good is there to the owners thereof. saving the beholding of them with their eves?
- 12. The sleep of a labouring man is sweet, whether he eat little or much: but the abundance of the rich will not suffer him to sleep.
- 13. There is a sore evil which I have seen under the sun. *namely*, riches kept for the owners thereof to their hurt.
 - 14. But those riches perish by evil travail: and he begetteth a son, and there is nothing in his hand.
- 15 As he came forth of his mother's womb, naked shall he return to go as he came, and shall take nothing
- of his labour, which he may carry **away** in his hand.
 - 16. And this also is a sore evil, that in all points as he came, so shall he go: and what profit hath he that hath laboured for the wind?
- 17. All his days also
- he eateth in darkness.
- and he hath much SOFFOW and wrath
- - with his sickness.
 - 18. Behold that which I have seen:
- if is good and comely
- for one to eat and to drink,
- and to enjoy the good of all his labour that he taketh under
- the sun all the days of his life,
- which God giveth him:

- I for it is his portion.
- 19. Every man also to whom
 God hath given riches and wealth, and hath given him power to

eat thereof, and to take his portion, and to rejoice in his labour; this

| is the gift of God.

20. For he shall not much remember the days of his life; because God answereth him in the joy of his heart.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. There is an evil which I
 - have seen under the sun, and it is common among men:
- 2. A man to whom God hath given riches, wealth.
- and honour, so that he wanteth nothing

for his soul of all that he desireth,

- yet God giveth him not power to eat thereof,
- but a stranger eateth it:

 this is vanity, and it
- is an evil disease.
 - ı i 3. If a man

beget an hundred children, and

- live many years, so that the days of his years be many.
- and his soul be not filled with good,
 - and also that he have no burial; I say, that an untimely
- birth is better than he.
- 4. For he cometh in with vanity, and departeth in darkness, and
- his name shall be covered with darkness.
 - 5. Moreover he hath not seen the sun, nor known *any thing*: this hath more rest than the other.
 - 6. Yea, though he live a thousand years twice *told*, yet hath he seen no good: do not all go to one place?
- 7. All the labour of man is for his mouth, and yet the appetite is not filled.
- 8. For what hath the wise more than the fool? what hath the poor, that knoweth to walk before the living?
 - 9. Better *is* the sight of the eyes than the wandering of the desire: this *is*

- also vanity and vexation of spirit.
- 10. That which hath been is named already, and it is known that it is man: neither may he contend with him that is mightier than he.
- 11. Seeing there be many things that increase vanity, what *is* man the better?
- 12. For who knoweth what is good for man in this life,
- all the days of his vain life which he spendeth as a
 - **shadow?** for who can tell a man what shall be after him under the sun?

CHAPTER 7

1. A good name is better than precious ointment; and the day of death than the day of

and the day of death than the day of one's birth.

2. It is better to go to the house of mourning, than to go to the house of feasting:

for that is the end of all men; and the living will lay it to his heart.

- 3. Sorrow is better than laughter: for by the
 sadness of the
- countenance the heart is made better.
- 4. The heart of the wise is in the house of mourning; but
- the heart of fools is in the house of mirth.
- 5. It is better to hear the rebuke of the wise, than for a man
- to hear the song of fools.
 - 6. For as the crackling of thorns under a pot, so *is* the laughter of the fool: this also *is* vanity.
- 7. Surely oppression maketh a wise man mad;
 and a gift destroyeth the heart.
- 8. Better is the end of a thing
 than the beginning thereof:
 and the patient in spirit is
 better than the proud in spirit.
- 9. Be not hasty in thy spirit to beangry: for anger resteth in
- the bosom of tools.
 - 10. Say not thou, What is *the cause* that the former days were better than

- these? for thou dost not enquire wisely concerning this.
- 11. **Wisdom** is good with an inheritance: and by it there is profit to them that see the sun.
- 12. For wisdom is a defence, and money is a

defence: but the excellency of knowledge is, that

- wisdom giveth life to them that have it.
- 13. Consider the work of
 God: for who can make
 that straight, which he hath
 made crooked?
 - 14. In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him.
- 15. All *things* have I seen in the days of my vanity:
- there is a just man that perisheth in his righteousness,
- and there is a wicked man that prolongeth his life

in his wickedness.

- 16. Be not righteous over much; neither make thyself over wise: why shouldest thou destroy thyself?
- 17. Be not over muchwicked, neither be thou
- foolish: why shouldest thou die before thy time?
 - 18. It is good that thou shouldest take hold of this; yea, also from this withdraw not thine hand: for
- he that feareth God shall come forth of them all.
- 19. Wisdom strengtheneth the wise
- more than ten mighty men which are in the city.
- 20. For *there is* not a just man upon earth,
- that doeth good, and
- sinneth not.
 - 21. Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken; lest thou hear thy servant curse thee:
 - 22. For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou thyself likewise hast cursed others.

- 23. All this have I proved by wisdom:
- I said, I will be wise;
 but it was far from me.
 - 24. That which is far off, and exceeding deep, who can find it out?
- 25. I applied mine heart to know, and to search, and
 - to seek out
- wisdom, and the reason of things, and to know the wickedness of folly, even of foolishness and madness:
- 26. And I find more bitterthan death the woman,
- whose heart is snares and nets, and her hands as bands:
- and nets, and her hands as bands:
- whoso pleaseth Godshall escape from her;
- but the sinner shall be taken by her.
 - 27. Behold, this have I found, saith the preacher, *counting* one by one, to find out the account:
 - 28. Which yet my soul seeketh, but I find not:
- one man among a
- thousand have I found; but a woman among all those
- have I not found.
- 29. Lo. this only have I found, that
- God hath made man
- upright; but they have sought out
- many inventions.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Who *is* as the wise *man*? and who knoweth the interpretation of a thing?
- a man's wisdom maketh his face to shine,

and the boldness of his face shall be changed.

- 2. I counsel thee to keep the king's commandment, and that in regard of the oath of God.
 - 3. Be not hasty to go out of his sight: stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth
- stand not in an evil thing; for he doeth whatsoever pleaseth him.
- 4. Where the word of a king
 - is, there is power: and who may say unto him, What doest thou?
- 5. Whoso keepeth the
- commandment shall feel

no evil thing:

and a wise man's heart discerneth. both time and judgment.

6. Because to every purpose there is time and

judament, therefore the misery of man is great upon him.

- 7. For he knoweth not that which shall be: for who can tell him when it shall be?
- 8 There is no man that hath **DOWE** over the spirit

to retain the spirit; neither hath he power in the day of death:

and there is no discharge in that war:

- neither shall wickedness deliver those that are given to it.
 - 9. All this have I seen, and applied my heart unto every work that is done under the sun: there is a time wherein. one man ruleth over another to his own hurt
- 10. And so I saw the wicked buried, who had come and gone from the place of the holy.

and they were forgotten in the city where they had so done: this is also vanity.

11. Because sentence against an

evil work

is not executed speedily. therefore the heart

of the sons of men

is fully

set in them to do

evil.

12. Though a sinner do evil an hundred times

and his days be prolonged, yet surely I know that

it shall be well with them that fear God.

which fear before him:

13. But it shall not be well with the wicked.

> neither shall he prolong his days. which are as a shadow:

because he feareth not

before God.

- 14. There is a vanity which is done upon the earth; that there be just men. the work of the wicked; again, there
- unto whom it happeneth according to be wicked *men*, to whom it happeneth according to the work of the righteous: I said that this also is
- 15 Then I commended. mirth, because a man hath no better
- thing under the sun, than to eat. and to drink, and to be merry: for that shall abide
- with him of his labour the days of his life.

which God giveth him under the sun.

- 16. When I applied mine heart to know wisdom, and to see the business that is done upon the earth; (for also there is that neither day nor night seeth sleep with his eyes:)
- 17. Then I beheld all the work of God, that a man cannot find out the work that is done under the sun:
- because though a man labour to seek it out, yet he shall not find it; yea farther. though a wise *man* think to
 - know it, yet shall he not be able to find it.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. For all this I considered in my heart even to declare all this, that
- the righteous, and the wise, and their works. *are* in the hand of God: no man knoweth
- either love or hatred by all that is before them
- 2. All thinas come alike to all: there is one event
- to the righteous, and to the wicked; to the good and to the clean, and to the unclean; to him that sacrificeth, and to him that sacrificeth not: as is the good, so is the sinner; and he that sweareth, as he that feareth an oath.
 - 3. This is an evil among all things that are done under the sun, that

there is one event unto all: yea, also the heart of

the sons of

men is full of evil.

and madness is in their heart while they live, and after that they go to the dead.

- 4. For to him that is joined to all the living there is hope: for a living dog is better than a dead lion.
- 5. For the living know that they shall die: but the dead know not any thing, neither
- have they any more a reward; for the memory of them
- is forgotten.
- 6. Also their love, and
- their hatred, and their envy, is now perished:

neither have they any more a portion for ever in any thing that is done under the sun.

7. Go thy way, eat thy bread with joy, and drink

thy wine with a merry heart;

■ for God now

accepteth thy works.

- 8. Let thy garments be always white; and let thy head lack no ointment.
- 9. Live joyfully with the wife whom thou lovest all the days of the life of thy vanity, which he hath given thee under the sun, all the days of thy vanity:
- for that is thy portion

in this life, and in thy labour which thou takest under the sun.

10. Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do if with thy might; for there is no work, nor device, nor knowledge,

nor wisdom,

- in the grave, whither thou goest.
- 11. I returned, and
- SQW under the sun.
- that the race is not to the
- swift, nor the battle to the
- strong, neither yet bread to the wise, nor yet riches to men of
- understanding, nor yet favour to men of skill; but time and chance
 - happeneth to them all.

- 12. For man also
 - knoweth not his time: as the fishes that are taken in an evil net and
- as the birds that are
- caught in the snare:
- SO GIE the sons of
- men snared

in an evil time, when it falleth

- suddenly upon them.
 - 13. This wisdom have I seen also under the sun, and it seemed great unto me:
- 14. There was a little city, and few men within it;
 - and there came a great
- kina against it. and
- besieged if, and built great bulwarks against it:
- Now there was found in it.
- a poor wise man, and he by his wisdom delivered
- the city; yet no man remembered
- that same poor man.

16. Then said I. Wisdom is better than strenath: nevertheless

the poor man's wisdom is despised.

and his words are not heard.

- 17. The words of wise men are heard in quiet more than the cry of him that ruleth among fools.
- 18. Wisdom is better
- than weapons of war:
- but one sinner destroyeth
- much good.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Dead flies cause the
- ointment of the apothecary
- to send forth a stinking
- savour: so doth a little folly him that is in reputation for wisdom and honour.
 - 2. A wise man's heart is at his right hand: but a fool's heart at his left.
 - 3. Yea also, when he that is a fool walketh by the way, his wisdom faileth him, and he saith to every one that he is a fool.
- 4. If the spirit of the
- ruler rise up

against thee, leave not thy place; for yielding pacifieth great offences.

5 There is an evil which I have seen under the sun, as an error

which proceedeth from the ruler:

6. Folly is set in great dignity, and the rich sit in low place.

I have seen servants upon horses, and

princes walking

as servants upon the earth.

8. He that diggeth a pit shall fall into it; and whoso breaketh an hedge, a serpent shall bite him.

Whose removeth stones shall be hurt therewith:

and he that cleaveth wood shall be endangered thereby. 10. If the iron be blunt. and he do not whet the edge.

then must he put to more strength: but wisdom is profitable to direct.

11. Surely the serpent will bite without enchantment: and a babbler is no better.

12. The words of a wise man's mouth *are* gracious: but the lips of a fool will swallow up himself.

> 13. The beginning of the words of his mouth is foolishness; and the end of his talk is mischievous madness.

14. A fool also

is full of words: a man cannot tell what shall be; and what shall be after him, who can tell him?

15. The labour of the foolish wearieth every one

of them, because he knoweth not how to go to the city.

16. Woe to thee, O land, when thy king is a child, and thy princes eat in ■ the morning!

17. Blessed art thou, O land, when thy king is the son of nobles, and thy princes eat in due season. for strength,

and not for drunkenness!

18. By much slothfulness the building decayeth: and through idleness of the hands the house droppeth through.

19. A feast is made for laughter, and

wine maketh merry:

but money answereth

all thinas.

20. Curse not the king, no not in thy thought; and curse not the rich in thy bedchamber:

for a bird of the air shall carry the voice, and

that which hath wings shall tell the matter.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Cast thy bread upon the waters: for thou shalt find it after many days.
 - 2. Give a portion to seven, and also to eight; for thou knowest not what evil shall be upon the earth.
- If the clouds be full of rain, they empty themselves upon the earth; and if the tree fall toward the south. or toward the north, in
- the place where the tree falleth, there it shall be.
 - 4. He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap.
- As thou knowest not what is the way of the spirit, nor how the bones do
- arow in the womb of her that is with child:
- even so thou knowest
- not the works of God who maketh all.
 - In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both shall be alike good.
- 7. Truly the light is sweet, and a pleasant thing it is for the eyes to behold the sun:

8. But if a man live many

YEARS, and rejoice in them all; yet let him remember the days

- of darkness: for they shall be many. All that cometh is vanity.
- 9. Rejoice, O young man, in thy youth; and let thy heart cheer thee in the days of thy youth. and walk in the ways of thine heart, and in the sight of thine eves:
- but know thou
- that for
- all these
- | things God will bring thee into judgment.
- 10. Therefore remove
- **SOFFOW** from thy heart.
- and put away evil from thy flesh:
- for childhood and
- youth *are* vanity.

CHAPTER 12

- Remember now thy Creator in the days of thy
- youth, while the evil days
- come not, nor the years draw nigh, ■ when thou shalt say. I have
- no pleasure in them:
- 2. While the sun, or the light, or the moon, or the stars.
- be not darkened, nor the clouds return after the rain:
- 3. In the day when the
- keepers of the house shall
- tremble, and
- I the strong men
- shall bow themselves.
- and the grinders cease

because they are few, and those that look out of the windows be darkened.

- 4. And the doors shall be
- **shut** in the streets, when the sound of the grinding is low, and he shall rise up at the voice of the bird,
- and all the daughters of music shall be
- brought low;
 - 5. Also when they shall be afraid of that which is high,
- and fears shall be
- in the way, and the almond tree shall flourish, and the grasshopper shall be a burden.

- and desire shall fail:
 - because man goeth to his long home.
- and the mourners go about the streets:
- Or ever the silver cord be loosed.
- or the golden bowl be broken.
- or the pitcher be broken
 - at the fountain, or the wheel broken at the cistern.
 - 7 Then shall the dust return. to the earth as it was: and
- the spirit shall return unto ■ 1 God who gave it.
- Vanity of vanities.
 - saith the preacher;
 - all is vanity.
- 9. And moreover, because
- the preacher was wise, he still
 - taught the people
- knowledge: yea, he gave good heed, and sought out.
- and set in order
- many proverbs. 10. The preacher
- sought to find out
- acceptable words:
 - and that which was written was upright.
- even words of truth.
- 11. The words of the
- wise are as goads, and
- as nails fastened by
- the masters of assemblies. which are given from one shepherd.
- 12. And further, by these, my son, be admonished: of
- makina many books there is no end; and much study is a weariness of the flesh.
- 13 Let us hear the
- conclusion of the whole matter:
- Fear God, and keep his
- commandments: for this is
- the whole duty of man. 14. For God shall
- bring every work
- into judgment,
- with every secret thing,
- whether if be
- good, or whether
- *it be* evil.

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1. The song of songs.
- which is Solomon's.
- 2. Let him kiss me with the kisses of his mouth:
- for thy love is better
- than wine.
 - 3. Because of the savour of thy good ointments
- thy name is as ointment poured forth,
- therefore do the virgins love thee.
 - 4. Draw me, we will run after thee:
- the king hath
- | brought me into his
- | chambers: we will be glad
- and rejoice in thee, we will remember thy love more than wine: the upright love thee.
 - 5. I am black, but comely, O ye daughters of Jerusalem,
- as the tents of Kedar, as the curtains of Solomon.
- 6. Look not upon me, because I am black, because
- the sun hath looked upon me:
 my mother's children
- were angry with me; they
- made me the keeper of the vineyards; but mine own
 vineyard have I not kept.
- 7. Tell me, O thou whom my soul loveth.

where thou feedest, where thou makest thy flock to rest at noon: for

- why should I be as one that turneth asideby the flocks of thy companions?
- 8. If thou know not, O thou fairest among women,

go thy way forth by the footsteps of the flock, and feed thy kids beside the shepherds' tents.

- 9. I have compared thee, O my love,
- to a company of horses in Pharaoh's chariots.
- 10. Thy cheeks are cornely with rows of jewels,
- thy neck with chains of gold.
 - 11. We will make thee

- | borders of gold with study of silver.
- 12. While the king sitteth at his table.
- my spikenard sendeth
- 13. A bundle of myrrh is my
- wellbeloved unto me,
- he shall lie all night
- betwixt my breasts.
- 14. My beloved is unto me as a cluster of camphire
- in the vineyards of En-gedi.

 15. **Behold, thou** art fair.
- my love; behold, thou art fair;

 thou hast doves' eves.
 - 16. **Behold, thou** art fair, my beloved, yea.
 - pleasant: also our bed is green.
 - 17. The beams of our house *are* cedar, *and* our rafters of fir.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. I am the rose of Sharon, ■ and the lily of the valleys.
 - 2. As the lily among thorns, so is my love among the daughters.
- 3. As the apple tree amongthe trees of the wood,
- so is my beloved among
 the sons. I sat down under his shadow with great delight,
- and his fruit was
 - sweet to my taste.
 4. He brought me to
- the banqueting house, and his banner over
- me *was* love.
- 5. Stay me with flagons, comfort me with apples:
- for I am sick of love.
- 6. His left hand is under my
- head, and his right hand doth embrace me.
- 7. I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye
- stir not up.
- nor awake *my* love,
 - till he please.
 - 8. The voice of my beloved! behold,
 - he cometh leaping upon
 - the mountains, skipping

upon the hills.

9. My beloved is like a roe or a young hart: behold, he

standeth behind our wall, he looketh forth at the windows.

■ shewing himself

through the lattice.

■ 10. My beloved spake, and

said unto me,

Rise up, my love, my fair one,

and come away.

11. For, lo, the winter is

12. The flowers appear

on the earth:
the time of the singing of

birds is come, and the voice of the turtle is heard in our land;
 13. The fig tree putteth forth

13. The fig tree putteth forth her green

figs, and the vines with the

tender grape give a good smell. Arise, my love, my fair one,

and come away.

14. **O my dove**,

that art in the clefts of the rock,
in the secret places of the stairs.

■ let me see thy countenance.

let me hear thy voice;

for sweet is thy voice, and thy countenance is comely.

15. Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines: for our vines *have* tender grapes.

16. **My beloved**is mine, and I am his: he

feedeth among the lilies.

■ 17. Until the day break, and the shadows flee

away, turn, my beloved, and be thou like a roe or a young hart upon the mountains of Bether.

CHAPTER 3

■ 1. By night on my bed

I sought him whom my soul loveth: I sought him,

■ but I found him not.

2. I will rise now, and go about the city in the streets, and in the broad ways

■ I will seek him whom my

soul loveth: I sought him, but I

found him not.

3. The watchmen

that go about the city

found me: to whom I said,
Saw ve him whom my

Saw ye him whom my soul loveth?

4. It was but a little that

■ I passed from them, but I

found him whom my soul loveth:
I held him, and would not

I held him, and wouldlet him go, until I had

■ brought him

into my mother's house, and

into the chamber

of her that conceived me.

5. I charge you, O ye daughters of Jerusalem, by the roes, and by the hinds of the field, that ye stir not up, nor awake *my* love, till he please.

6. Who is this that cometh out of the wilderness

like pillars of smoke, perfumed with myrrh

and frankincense, with all powders of the merchant?

7. Behold his bed, which is Solomon's:

threescore valiant men *are* about it, of the valiant of Israel.

8. They all hold swords, *being* expert in war: every man *hath* his sword upon his thigh because of fear in the night.

9. King Solomon made himself a chariot

of the wood of Lebanon.

10. He made the pillars

thereof

of silver, the bottom thereof

of gold, the covering of it

of purple, the midst thereof being paved with love,

for the daughters of Jerusalem.

11. **Go forth, O ye**

daughters of Zion, andbehold king Solomon with

the crown wherewith his mother crowned him in the day of his espousals, and in the day of the aladness of his heart.

CHAPTER 4

1 Behold, thou *art* fair, my

love; behold, thou art fair;

thou hast doves' eves within thy locks:

thy hair is as a flock of goats,

that appear from mount Gilead.

- 2. Thy teeth are like a flock
- of sheep that are even shorn, which came up from the washing; whereof every one bear twins, and none is barren among them.
- 3. Thy lips are like a thread of scarlet, and thy speech is comely: thy temples are like a piece of a
- pomegranate within thy locks. 4. Thy neck is like the tower

of David builded for an armoury, whereon there hang a thousand bucklers, all shields of mighty men.

- 5. Thy two breasts are like two young roes that are twins, which feed among the lilies.
 - 6. Until the day break, and the shadows flee away, I will get me to the mountain of myrrh, and to the hill of frankincense.
 - 7. Thou art all fair,

my love; there is no spot in thee.

- 8. Come with me from Lebanon. my spouse, with me from Lebanon: look from the top of Amana, from the top of Shenir and Hermon, from the lions' dens, from the mountains of the leopards.
- 9. Thou hast ravished my **heart**, my sister, my spouse; thou hast ravished my heart
- with one of thine eyes, with one chain of thy neck.
 - 10. How fair is thy love, my sister, my spouse!
- how much better is thy love than wine! and the smell of thine ointments than all spices!
- 11. Thy lips, O my spouse,
- drop as the honeycomb:
- honey and milk are under
- thy tongue; and the smell of thy garments is like the smell of Lebanon. 12. A garden enclosed is my
 - sister, my spouse; a spring shut up, a fountain sealed.

- 13. Thy plants are an
- orchard of pomegranates. with pleasant fruits; camphire. with spikenard.
 - 14. Spikenard and saffron; calamus and cinnamon, with all trees of frankincense; myrrh and aloes, with all the chief spices:
- 15. A fountain of gardens, a well of living waters, and streams from Lebanon.
- 16. Awake, O north
- wind; and come, thou south;
- blow upon my garden, that
- the spices thereof
- may flow out.
- Let my beloved come into
- his garden, and eat his
- pleasant fruits.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. I am come into my
 - garden, my sister, my spouse: I have gathered my myrrh with my spice:
- I have eaten my honeycomb with my honey; I have drunk my
 - wine with my milk: eat, O friends; drink, vea, drink abundantly,
- 2. I sleep, but my heart
- waketh: it is the voice of
- my beloved that knocketh, saying, Open to me, my sister,
- my love, my dove,

O beloved.

- my undefiled: for my head is filled with dew, and my locks with the drops of the night.
- I have put off my coat; how shall I put it on?
 - I have washed my feet;

how shall I defile them?

- 4. My beloved put in his hand by the hole of the door, and my bowels were moved for him.
- 5. I rose up to open to my beloved;
- and my hands dropped with myrrh, and my fingers with sweet smelling myrrh, upon the handles of the lock.
- l opened to my beloved;
- but my beloved

955 had withdrawn himself, and was aone: my soul failed when he spake: I sought him, but I could not find him: I called him. but he gave me no answer. 7 The watchmen that went about the city found me. they smote me, they wounded me: the keepers of the walls took away my veil from me. 8. I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, if ye find my beloved, that ye tell him, that I am sick of love. 9. What is thy beloved more than another beloved. O thou fairest amona women? what is thy beloved more than another beloved. that thou dost so charge us? 10. My beloved is white and ruddy, the chiefest among ten thousand. gold, his locks are bushy, and black as a raven. 12. His eyes are as the eyes

11. His head is as the most fine of doves by the rivers of waters, washed with milk, and

fitly set.

13. His cheeks are as a bed of spices, as sweet flowers: his lips like lilies.

dropping sweet smelling myrrh. 14. His hands are as gold

rings set with the beryl:

his belly is as bright ivory overlaid

with sapphires.

15. His legs are

as pillars of marble, set upon sockets of fine

gold: his countenance is as Lebanon, excellent

as the cedars.

16. His mouth is most sweet: yea,

he is altogether lovely.

This is my beloved, and this is my friend, O daughters of Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 6

1. Whither is thy beloved gone, O thou fairest among women? whither is thy beloved turned aside?

that we may seek him with thee.

My beloved is gone down into his garden, to the beds of spices. to feed in the gardens,

and to gather lilies.

3. I am my beloved's, and my beloved is mine: he feedeth among the lilies.

Thou art beautiful. O my love.

as Tirzah, comely as Jerusalem, terrible as an army with banners.

5. Turn away

thine eyes from me, for they

have overcome me: thy hair is as a flock of goats that

appear from Gilead. 6. Thy teeth are as a flock of sheep

which go up from the washing. whereof every one beareth twins, and there is not one barren among them.

7. As a piece of a pomegranate are thy temples within thy locks.

> 8. There are threescore queens, and fourscore concubines, and virgins without number.

My dove,

my undefiled is but one; she

is the only one of her mother. she is the

choice one of her that

bare her. The daughters saw her, and blessed her:

yea, the queens and the concubines, and they

praised her.

10. Who is she that looketh forth as the morning.

fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners?

11. I went down into the garden of

nuts to see the fruits of the valley. and to see whether the vine flourished, and the pomegranates budded.

12. Or ever I was aware, my soul made me like the chariots of Amminadih

13. **Return,** return, O

■ | Shulamite: return, return,

■ that we may look upon

thee. What will ye see in the Shulamite? As it were the company of two armies.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. How beautiful are thy feet with shoes, O prince's
- daughter! the joints of thy thighs are like jewels.

the work of the hands of a cunning workman.

2. Thy navel is like a round goblet, which wanteth not liquor:

thy belly is

like an heap of wheat set about with lilies.

3. Thy two

breasts are like two young roes that are twins.

4. Thy neck is as a tower of ivory; thine eyes like the fishpools in Heshbon, by the gate of Bath-rabbim:

thy nose is as the tower

of Lebanon

which looketh toward Damascus.

5. Thine head upon thee

is like Carmel, and the hair of thine head like purple;

the king is held in the galleries.

6. How fair and

how pleasant art thou. O love, for delights!

7. This thy stature is like to a palm tree, and thy breasts to clusters

of grapes.

> 8. I said, I will go up to the palm tree, I will take hold of the boughs thereof: now also thy breasts shall

be as clusters of the vine, and the smell of thy nose like apples;

9. And the roof of thy mouth

like the best wine for my beloved.

that ageth down sweetly. causing the lips of those that are asleep to speak.

10. I am my beloved's, and his desire is toward me.

Come, mv beloved.

let us go forth into the field; let us lodge in the villages.

12. Let us aet up early to the vinevards:

let us see if the vine flourish.

whether the tender grape appear, and

the pomegranates bud forth:

there will I give thee my loves.

13. The mandrakes give a smell, and at our gates are

all manner of

pleasant fruits.

new and old which

I have laid up for thee.

O my beloved.

CHAPTER 8

1. O that thou wert as my brother, that sucked the breasts of my mother! when I should find thee

without, I would kiss thee:

vea. I should not be despised. 2. I would lead thee. and

bring thee into my mother's

house, who would instruct me:

I would cause thee to drink of spiced wine

of the juice of my pomegranate.

- His left hand should be under my head, and his right hand should embrace me.
- 4. I charge you, O daughters of Jerusalem, that ye stir not up, nor awake my love, until he please.

5. Who is this that cometh up from the wilderness,

leaning upon her beloved? I raised thee up under the apple tree: there thy mother brought thee forth: there she brought thee forth that bare thee.

6. Set me as a seal upon thine heart,

as a seal upon thine arm: for love is strong as death: ■ iealousy is cruel as the arave: the coals thereof are coals of fire. which hath a most vehement flame. 7. Many waters cannot quench love, neither can the floods drown it: if a man would give all the substance of his house for love, it would utterly be contemned. 8. We have a little sister. and she hath no breasts: what shall we do for our sister in the day when she shall be spoken for? 9. If she be a wall, we will build upon her a palace of silver:

a door, we will enclose her

and if she be

with boards of cedar.

10. I am a wall, and my breasts like towers: then was I in his eyes as one that found favour 11. Solomon had a vinevard at Baal-hamon; he let out the vineyard unto keepers: every one for the fruit thereof was to bring a thousand pieces of silver. 12. My vineyard, which is mine, is before me: thou, O Solomon, must have a thousand, and those that keep the fruit thereof two hundred. 13. Thou that dwellest in the gardens, the companions hearken to thy voice: cause me to hear it. 14. Make haste, my beloved, and be thou like

a young hart upon the

mountains of spices.

to a roe or to

ISAIAH:

Prince of Prophets

During the second half of the eight century B.C. The Northern Kingdom, Israel. fell to the Assyrians and before the end of the century. probably in 701 B.C.. Sennacherib came with a mighty army to surround and siege Jerusalem. The times could not have been more critical. The Southern Kingdom was on the verge of collapse. As is often the case in times of extreme crisis, God raised up a special man. Bible scholars have called Isaiah "The Prince of the Prophets." **Isaiah's vision** of the Lord in the temple recorded in chapter six of the book. presents a magnificent description of God in His holiness and glory. With this vision of God. Isaiah saw himself and all mankind. **He understood the** enormous abyss between God's sovereian holiness and man's utter

sinfulness

Only a purifying act by God Himself could cleanse him and prepare him for service. After he had received a divine vision, a cleansing of his sins, and a direct call from God. Isaiah went forth to prophesy, to expose the moral decay of Judah and its capital, Jerusalem, Later, he became an adviser to Kina Ahaz. He passionately uraed the king to come to God in faith, and to resist with courage the Assvrian invasion. Ahaz reiected both pleas and Judah fell. But Isaiah never stepped back. never compromised. He called God's people to repentance and upon seeina Judah's inevitable destruction, he foretold of the coming Messiah, a Suffering Servant, who would redeem mankind

and establish the Kinadom

of God on earth

He was overwhelmed.

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CHAPTER 1

- 1 1. The vision of Isaigh the son of Amoz, which he saw
- concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and
- Hezekiah, kings of Judah. ■ 2. Hear, O heavens,
- and give ear, O
- earth: for the LORD
- I hath spoken. I have
- nourished and brought
- up children, and they have rebelled against me.
- 3. The ox knoweth
- his owner, and the ass his master's crib:
- but Israel doth not know. my people doth not consider.
- 4. Ah sinful nation, a people laden with iniquity. a seed of evildoers, children
 - that are corrupters:
- they have forsaken the LORD, they have provoked the Holy One of Israel unto anger.
- they are gone away ■ backward.
- 5. Why should ye
- be stricken any more?
- ye will
- revolt more
- and more: the whole
- head is sick, and the whole
- heart faint.
 - 6. From the sole of the foot even unto the head there is no soundness in it; but wounds, and bruises, and putrefying sores: they have not been closed, neither bound up, neither mollified with ointment.
- 7. Your country is desolate, your cities are burned with fire: your land, strangers devour it in your presence, and it is desolate. as overthrown by strangers.
- 8. And the daughter of Zion is left as a cottage in a vineyard, as a lodge in a garden of cucumbers.
- as a besieged city.
- 9. Except the LORD of hosts
- had left unto us
- very small

- remnant, we should have been as Sodom, and we should have been like unto Gomorrah.
- 10. Hear the word of
- the LORD, ye rulers of Sodom: give ear unto the law of our God. ve people of Gomorrah.
- 11. To what purpose
- is the multitude of
- vour sacrifices unto me? saith the LORD: Lam full of the burnt offerings of rams, and the fat of fed beasts; and
- I delight not in the blood
- of bullocks, or of
 - lambs, or of he goats. 12. When ye come to
- appear before me. who hath required
- this at your hand.
- to tread my courts? 13. Bring no more vain
- oblations: incense is an abomination unto me: the new moons and sabbaths, the calling of assemblies. I cannot away with; it is iniquity, even the solemn meeting.
- 14. Your new moons
- and your
- appointed feasts my soul
 - hateth: they are a trouble unto me; I am weary to bear them.
 - And when ye spread forth your hands, I will hide mine eyes from you: yea,
- when ye make manv
- prayers, I will not hear: your hands are
- full of blood.
- 16. Wash you. make you
 - clean; put away the evil of your doings from
 - before mine eves:
- cease to do evil; 17. Learn to do well;
 - seek judgment, relieve the oppressed, judge the fatherless, plead for the widow.
- 18. Come now, and
 - let us reason together, saith the LORD: though

961 your sins be as scarlet. they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool. 19. If ve be willing and obedient, ve shall eat the good of the land: 20. But if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it. 21. How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment: righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers 22. Thy silver is become dross. thy wine mixed with water: 23. Thy princes are rebellious. and companions of thieves: every one loveth gifts, and followeth after rewards: they judge not the fatherless, neither doth the cause of the widow come unto them. 24. Therefore saith the

LORD, the LORD of hosts. the mighty One of Israel, Ah, I will ease me of mine adversaries, and

avenge me of mine enemies:

25. And I will turn my hand upon thee, and purely

purge away thy dross,

and take away all thy tin:

26. And I will restore

thy judges as at the first,

and thy

counsellors as at the beginning: afterward thou shalt be

called. The city of

righteousness, the faithful city.

27. Zion shall be redeemed with judgment, and her converts with righteousness.

28. And the destruction of the transgressors and of the sinners shall be together,

and they that forsake the

LORD shall be consumed.

29. For they shall be ashamed of the oaks which ve have desired, and ve shall be confounded for the gardens that ve have chosen. 30. For ye shall be

as an oak whose leaf fadeth, and as a garden that hath no water.

31. And the strong shall be as tow, and the maker of it as a spark, and they shall both burn together, and none shall quench them.

CHAPTER 2

1. The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2. And it shall come to pass in the last davs.

that the mountain of

the LORD's house shall

be established in the top of the mountains,

and shall be

exalted above the hills: and all nations shall

flow unto it.

And many people

shall go and

Say, Come ye, and

let us go up to the mountain of the LORD.

to the house of the

God of Jacob: and he will teach

us of his ways.

and we will walk in

his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

4. And he shall judge among the

nations, and shall rebuke many people:

and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,

and their spears into

pruninghooks: nation

shall not lift up sword against nation. neither shall they learn war any more.

5. O house of Jacob, come ye, and

let us walk in the light of the LORD.

■ 6. Therefore thou hast

forsaken thy people

■ the house of Jacob.

because they be replenished from the east, and are soothsavers like the Philistines, and they please themselves in the children of strangers.

7. Their land also is full of silver and gold, neither is there any end of their treasures; their land is also full of horses, neither is there any end of their chariots:

8. Their land also is full of idols: they worship the work of their own hands, that which their own fingers have made:

And the mean man boweth. down, and the great man humbleth himself: therefore forgive them not.

10. Enter into the rock. and hide thee in the dust. for fear of the LORD, and

for the glory of his majesty.

11. The lofty looks of man shall be humbled. and the haughtiness of men shall

be bowed down, and the LORD alone shall

be exalted in that day. 12. For the day of

the LORD of hosts

shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one

that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low:

> 13. And upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted up. and upon all the oaks of Bashan,

14. And upon all the high mountains. and upon all the hills that are lifted up.

15. And upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall.

16. And upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all

pleasant pictures.

17. And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down. and the haughtiness of

men shall be made low:

and the LORD alone shall be exalted in that day.

18. And the idols

he shall utterly

abolish.

And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

20. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship.

to the moles and to the bats:

21. To go into the clefts

of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks.

for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty.

when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

22. Cease ve from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?

CHAPTER 3

1. For, behold.

the Lord, the LORD of hosts,

doth take away from

Jerusalem and from

Judah the stay and the staff, the whole stay of

bread, and the whole stay of

water.

The mighty man,

and the man of war. the judge, and the

prophet, and the prudent, and the ancient,

The captain of fifty, and the honourable man.

and the counsellor, and the cunning artificer, and the eloquent orator.

4. And I will give children to be their princes. and babes shall rule over them. 5. And the people shall be oppressed. every one by another, and every one by his neighbour: the child shall behave himself proudly against the ancient. and the base against the honourable. When a man shall take hold of his brother of the house of his father. saying, Thou hast clothing, be thou our ruler, and let this ruin be under thy hand: 7. In that day shall he swear, saying, I will not be an healer; for in my house is neither bread nor clothing: make me not a ruler of the people. 8. For Jerusalem is ruined. and Judah is fallen: because their tongue and their doings are against the LORD, to provoke the eyes of his glory. 9. The shew of their countenance doth witness against them; and they declare their sin as Sodom. they hide it not, woe unto their soul! for they have rewarded evil unto themselves. 10. **Say** ye to the righteous, that it shall be well with him: for they shall eat the fruit of their doings. 11. Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him. 12. As for my people, children are their

oppressors, and women

rule over them. O my people.

they which lead thee cause thee to

err, and destroy the way of thy paths.

13. The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people. 14. The LORD will enter into judgment with the ancients of his people, and the princes thereof; for ve have eaten up the vineyard; the spoil of the poor is in your houses. 15. What mean ye that ye beat my people to pieces. and grind the faces of the poor? saith the Lord GOD of hosts. Moreover the LORD saith. Because the daughters of Zion are haughty, and walk with stretched forth necks and wanton eyes, walking and mincing as they go, and making a tinkling with their feet: 17. Therefore the LORD will smite with a scab the crown of the head of the daughters of Zion, and the LORD will discover their secret parts. 18. In that day the Lord will take away the bravery of their tinkling ornaments about their feet. and their cauls, and their round tires like the moon. 19. The chains, and the bracelets, and the mufflers. 20. The bonnets, and the ornaments of the legs, and the headbands, and the tablets, and the earrings. 21. The rings, and nose jewels, 22. The changeable suits of apparel, and the mantles, and the wimples, and the crisping pins, 23. The glasses, and the fine linen, and the hoods. and the vails. 24. **And** it shall come to pass, that instead of sweet smell there shall be stink: and instead of a girdle a rent: and instead of well set hair baldness; and instead of a stomacher a girding of sackcloth: and burning instead of beauty.

25. Thy men shall fall by

- the sword, and thy mighty in the
- war.
- 26. And her gates
- shall lament and
- | mourn: and she
- | being desolate shall sit
- upon the ground.

CHAPTER 4

- ■1 1. And in that day seven women shall take hold of one man, saying, We will eat our own bread, and wear
- our own apparel; only ■ let us be called by thy
- name, to take away ■ our reproach.
- 2. In that day shall the ■ branch of the LORD be
- **beautiful** and glorious, and the fruit of the earth shall be excellent and comely for them that are escaped of Israel.
 - 3. And it shall come to pass, that
- he that is left in Zion.
- **and** he that remaineth in
- Jerusalem, shall be called
- **holy.** even every one that is written among the living in Jerusalem:
- 4. When the Lord shall have washed away the
- filth of the daughters of Zion, and shall have purged the blood of
- Jerusalem from the midst thereof
- by the spirit of judgment,
- **and** by the spirit of
- burning.
- 5. And the LORD will create upon every dwelling place of mount Zion, and upon
- her assemblies, a cloud
- and smoke by day, and the
- **shining** of a flaming
 - fire by night: for upon all the glory shall be
- a defence.
- 6. And there shall be
 - a tabernacle for a shadow in the day time
 - from the heat, and for
 - a place of refuge.

- and for a covert
- from storm and from rain

CHAPTER 5

- Now will I sing to my wellbeloved
- a song of my beloved touching his vineyard.
 - My wellbeloved hath a vineyard
- in a very fruitful hill:
- 2. And he fenced it, and gathered out the stones thereof.
- and planted it with
- the choicest vine, and
- built a tower in the midst of it.
- and also made
- a winepress therein: and he looked that it should bring forth grapes.
- and it brought forth
 - wild grapes.
- 3. And now, O inhabitants
 - of Jerusalem, and men of
- Judah, judge, I pray you, betwixt me and
 - my vineyard.

- 4. What could have been
- done more to my vineyard, that I have not done in it? wherefore, when I looked that it
 - should bring forth grapes, brought it forth wild grapes?
- And now go to: I will tell you what I will
- do to my vineyard: I
- will take away the hedge thereof, and it shall be eaten up;
- and break down the
- wall thereof.
- and it shall
- be trodden down:
 - 6. And I will lay it waste: it shall not be pruned, nor digged; but there shall come up
- briers and thorns: I will also command the clouds that
 - they rain no rain upon it.
- For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
- is the house of Israel.
- and the men of
 - Judah his pleasant
- plant: and he looked for

judament, but behold oppression; for righteousness, but behold a cry. 8. Woe unto them that join house to house, that lav field to field, till there be no place, that they may be placed alone in the midst of the earthl 9. In mine ears said the LORD of hosts. Of a truth many houses shall be desolate, even great and fair, without inhabitant. 10. Yea, ten acres of vineyard shall yield one bath, and the seed of an homer shall yield an ephah. 11. Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, that they may follow strong drink; that continue until night. till wine inflame them! 12. And the harp. and the viol, the tabret. and pipe, and wine, are in their feasts: but they regard not the work of the LORD, neither consider the operation of his hands. 13. Therefore my people are gone into captivity, because they have no knowledge: and their honourable men are famished, and their multitude dried up with thirst. 14. Therefore hell hath enlarged herself, and opened her mouth without measure: and their glory, and their multitude, and their pomp, and he that rejoiceth. shall descend into it. 15. And the mean man shall be brought down. and the mighty man shall be humbled. and the eyes of the ■ lofty shall be humbled:

16. But the LORD of hosts

shall be exalted in

judgment, and

God that is holy shall be

sanctified in riahteousness. 17. Then shall the lambs feed after their manner, and the waste places of the fat ones shall stranaers eat. 18. Woe unto them that draw iniquity with cords of vanity, and sin as it were with a cart rope: 19. That say, Let him make speed, and hasten his work, that we may see it: and let the counsel of the Holy One of Israel draw nigh and come, that we may know it! 20. Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter! 21 Woe unto them that are wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight! 22. Woe unto them that are mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink: 23. Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him! 24. Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble. and the flame consumeth the chaff. so their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall ao up as dust: because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. 25. Therefore is the anger of the LORD kindled against his people, and he hath stretched forth his hand against

them, and hath

smitten them:

and the hills did fremble.

and their carcases

were torn in the midst of the

streets. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

26. And he will lift up an ensign to the nations from far

and will hiss unto

them from the end of the earth:

and, behold.

they shall come with speed

swiftly:

27. None shall be weary nor stumble among them: none shall slumber

nor sleep: neither shall

the girdle of their loins be loosed, nor the

■ latchet of their shoes be

broken:

28. Whose arrows are

sharp, and all their bows bent, their horses' hoofs shall be counted like flint.

and their wheels like a

■ | whirlwind: ■ 29. Their roaring shall be

■ like a lion, they shall roar like young lions: yea, they shall roar, and

■ lay hold of the prey, ■ and shall carry it away safe.

and none shall deliver it.

30. And in that day they shall roar against them like the roaring of the sea: and if one look unto the land, behold darkness and sorrow. and the light is darkened in the heavens thereof.

CHAPTER 6

1. In the year that

king Uzziah died I saw also

■ I the LORD sitting upon a

■ throne, high and lifted ■ up, and his train filled

the temple.

2. Above it stood the

seraphims: each one

had six wings; with twain

he covered his face.

and with twain he covered

his feet, and with twain

he did fly.

3. And one cried unto

another, and said.

Holy, holy, holy,

is the LORD of hosts:

the whole

earth is full of his glory.

4. And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke.

5. Then said I. Woe is me!

for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips. and I dwell in the midst of a

people of unclean lips:

for mine eyes have

seen the Kina.

the LORD of hosts

6. Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having

a live coal in his hand.

which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar:

7. And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo,

this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken

GWGY. and thy sin purged.

8. Also I heard the voice of the Lord, saying, Whom shall I send, and

who will go for us? Then said I. Here *am* I:

send me.

9. And he said, Go, and tell this people, Hear

ye indeed, but

understand not:

and see ve indeed, but perceive not.

10. Make the heart of this

people fat, and make

their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; lest they

see with their eves.

and hear with their ears.

and understand

with their heart,

and convert, and be healed.

1 11. Then said I, Lord,

- how long? And he answered. Until the cities
- **be** wasted
- without inhabitant, and the houses without man,
- and the land be utterly desolate.
 - 12. And the LORD have removed men far away, and there be a great forsaking in the midst of the land.
- 13. But yet in it shall be a tenth, and it shall return, and shall be eaten: as a teil tree, and as an oak, whose substance is in them, when they cast their leaves: so the holy seed shall be the substance thereof.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. And it came to pass
 - in the days of Ahaz the son of Jotham, the son of Uzziah.
- I king of Judah, that
- Rezin the king of Syria,
- and Pekah the son of Remaliah,
- king of Israel, went up
- toward Jerusalem to war against it, but could
 - not prevail against it.
 2. And it was told the house of David, saying, Syria is confederate with Ephraim. And his heart was moved, and the heart of his people.
 - as the trees of the wood are moved with the wind.
- 3. Then said the LORD unto Isaiah, Go forth now to meet Ahaz, thou, and

Shear-jashub thy son, at the end of the conduit of the upper pool in the highway of the fuller's field:

- 4. And say unto him,
 - Take heed, and be quiet;
- fear not, neither be fainthearted for the two tails of these smoking firebrands, for the fierce anger of Rezin with Syria, and of the son of Remaliah.
- 5. Because Syria, Ephraim,
 and the son of Remaliah,
 have taken evil counsel
 against thee, saving.
 - 6. Let us go up against Judah, and

vex it, and let us make a breach therein for us, and set a king in the midst of it, even the son of Tabeal:

- 7. Thus saith the Lord GOD,
 It shall not stand, neither shall it
 come to pass.
 - 8. For the head of Syria is Damascus, and the head of Damascus is Rezin; and
- within threescore and
 five years shall Ephraim be
 broken, that it be not a people.

9. And the head of Ephraim is Samaria, and the head of Samaria is Remaliah's son.

If ye will not believe, surely ye shall not be established.

- 10. Moreover the LORDspake again unto Ahaz,saying.
- 11. Ask thee a sign of the LORD thy God; ask it either in the depth, or in the height above.
- 12. But Ahaz said, I will not ask, neither will I tempt the LORD.
- 13. And he said, Hear ye now,
 O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men,
 but will ye weary my God also?
- 14. Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive,
 and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.
 - 15. Butter and honey shall he eat, that he may know to refuse the evil. **and** choose the good.
 - 16. For

- before the child shall know to refuse the
- evil, and choose the good, the land
- that thou abhorrest shall be forsaken of
- both her kings.
- 17. The LORD shall bring upon thee, and upon thy people, and upon thy father's house, days that have not come, from the day that Ephraim departed from Judah; even
 - the king of Assyria.

- 18. **And** it shall come to pass in that day, that
- the LORD shall hiss for the fly

that is in the uttermost part of the rivers of Egypt,

- **| and** for
- the bee that is in the
- Assyria.
- 19. Ánd they shall
- come, and shall rest all of them
- in the desolate valleys.
- and in the holes of the
- rocks, and upon all thorns, and upon all
- bushes.
- 20. In the same day
 shall the Lord shave with
 a razor that is hired, namely, by
- them beyond the river.
- by the king of Assyria,
- the head, and
- the hair of the feet: and

it shall also consume

■ the beard.

- 21. And it shall come to pass
- in that day, that
- a man shall nourish ayoung cow, and two sheep;
- 22. And it shall come to pass, for the abundance of milk that they shall give he shall eat butter: for butter and honey shall
- butter and honey sha
 every one eat that is
 left in the land.
 - 23. **And** it shall come to pass in that day, that every place shall be,
- where there were a thousand vines at a thousand silverlings, it
- shall even
- be for
- briers and thorns.
- 24. With arrows and with bows shall men come thither;

because all the land shall become briers and thorns.

25. And on all hills that shall be digged with the mattock, there shall not come thither the fear of briers

and thorns: but

- it shall be for the sending forth of **oxen.** and for the
- treading of lesser
- cattle.

CHAPTER 8

- | 1. Moreover the
- LORD said unto me,
- Take thee
- roll, and write

in it with a man's pen concerning

- Maher-shalalhash-baz.

 2. And I took unto me faithful.
- witnesses to record, Uriah the priest, and Zechariah the son of Jeberechiah.
- 3. And I went unto the prophetess; and she
 conceived, and bare a
- son. Then said the LORD to me,
- Call his name Maher-shalalhash-baz.
- 4. For before the child
- shall have knowledge to
- cry, My
- father, and my
 mother, the riches of
- Damascus and the spoil of Samaria shall be taken
- **away** before the king of Assyria.
 - 5. The LORD spake also unto me again, saving,
- 6. Forasmuch as thispeople refuseth the waters
- of Shiloah that go softly,
- and rejoice in Rezin andRemaliah's son;
- 7. Now therefore, behold,
- the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the
- river, strong and many, even
 the king of Assyria, and
 all his glory: and he shall come

all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks:

- 8. And he shall pass
 through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck;
- and the stretching out of his

wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.

9. Associate yourselves. O ve people, and ye shall be broken in pieces, and give ear, all ve of far countries: gird vourselves, and ve shall be broken in pieces; gird yourselves, and ye shall be broken in pieces.

10. Take counsel together, and it shall come to nought:

speak the word, and it shall not stand:

for God is with us.

11. For the LORD spake thus

to me with a strong hand. and instructed me

that I should not walk in the way of this people, saying,

12. Say ye not, A confederacy, to all them to whom this people shall say. A confederacy; neither fear ye

their fear, nor be afraid. 13. Sanctify the

■ LORD of hosts himself:

and *let* him *be* your

■ fear, and let him be your dread.

14. And he shall be for a sanctuary; but for

a stone of stumbling and for a rock of offence to

both the houses of

Israel, for a gin

and for a snare to the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

15. And many among them shall stumble, and fall,

and be broken, and be snared. and be taken.

16. **Bind** up

the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.

17. **And** I will

wait upon the LORD, that hideth his face from the house of Jacob, and I will look for him.

■ 18. Behold, I and the children whom the LORD hath given me are for signs and for

wonders in Israel from the LORD of hosts, which

dwelleth in mount Zion.

19. And when they

shall say unto you. Seek unto

them that have

familiar spirits,

and unto

wizards that peep.

and that

mutter: should not a

people seek unto their

God? for the living to

the dead?

20. To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according

to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

21. And they shall pass through

it, hardly bestead and hungry: and it shall come to pass, that

when they shall be hungry.

they shall fret themselves, and curse their king and their

God, and look upward.

22. And they shall look

unto the earth; and behold trouble and

darkness, dimness of anguish;

and they shall be driven to

darkness.

CHAPTER 9

Nevertheless the

dimness shall not be such as was in her vexation, when at the first

he lightly afflicted the land

of Zebulun and the land of

Naphtali, and afterward

did more grievously

afflict her by the way of the sea.

beyond Jordan,

in Galilee of the nations.

2. The people that walked in darkness

have seen a great light:

they that dwell in the land of the shadow of death, upon them. hath the light shined.

3. Thou hast multiplied the **nation**, and not increased the joy: they joy before thee according to the joy in harvest, and as men rejoice when they divide the spoil.

- 4. For thou hast
- broken the voke of
- his burden, and the staff of his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor. as in the day of Midian.
- 5. For every battle of the warrior
 - is with confused
- noise, and garments rolled in blood; but this shall be with burning and fuel of fire.
- 6. For unto us a child is born unto us a son is given
- and the government
- shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be

called

Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God,

The everlasting Father.

- The Prince of Peace.
- 7. Of the increase of
- his government and peace there shall be no end, upon

the throne of David, and

upon his kingdom, to order it, and ■ I to establish it with

judgment and with

■ iustice from henceforth even

for ever. The zeal of the

LORD of hosts

will perform this.

- 8. The Lord sent a word into Jacob, and it hath lighted upon
- Israel.
- 9. And all the people shall

know, even Ephraim and the inhabitant of Samaria,

that say in the

pride and stoutness of heart,

10. The bricks are fallen down.

but we will build

with hewn stones:

the sycomores are cut down, but we will change them into cedars.

- 11. Therefore the LORD shall set up the adversaries of Rezin against him, and
- ioin his enemies together;

12. The Syrians before, and the Philistines behind:

and they shall devour

- Israel with open mouth.
- For all this his anaer
- is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.
- 13. For the people turneth
- not unto him that smiteth them. neither do they seek
 - the LORD of hosts.
- 14 Therefore the LORD will cut off from Israel head
- and tail.

branch and rush, in one day,

- 15. The ancient and honourable, he
 - is the head: and the
- prophet that teacheth lies.
 - he *is* the tail.
- 16. For the leaders of this people
- cause them to err; and they that are led of them are destroyed.

17 Therefore the LORD shall have no joy in their young men, neither shall have mercy on their fatherless and widows; for

- every one is an hypocrite and an evildoer, and every mouth speaketh folly. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his
- hand is stretched out still. 18. For wickedness burneth as the fire: it shall

devour the briers and thorns, and shall kindle in the thickets of the forest, and they shall mount up like the lifting up of smoke.

- 19. Through the wrath of the LORD of hosts is the land darkened,
- and the people shall be as the fuel of the fire: no man shall spare his brother.
- 20. And he shall
- snatch on the right hand, and
- be hungry; and he shall eat on the left hand.
- and they shall
- not be satisfied:
- they shall eat every man
- the flesh of his own arm:
- 21. Manasseh, Ephraim:
 - and Ephraim, Manasseh: and they together
- shall be against Judah.

■ For all this his anger is not ■ turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.

CHAPTER 10

- Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and
- that write grievousness which they have prescribed;
- 2. To turn aside the needy from judgment, and
- to take away the right
- from the poor of my people,
- that widows may be their prey, and that they may rob the fatherless!
- 3. And what will ye do in the day of visitation, and in the desolation which shall come from far?
- to whom will ve flee
- for help? and where will ye leave your glory?
- 4. Without me they shall bow down under the prisoners, and they shall
- fall under the slain. For all this his anger is not turned away, but his hand is stretched out still.
- 5. O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation.
- 6. I will send him against an hypocritical nation. and against the people of my
- wrath will I give him a charge. to take the
- spoil, and to take the
- prey, and to tread
 - them down like the mire of the streets.
 - 7. Howbeit he meaneth not so. neither doth his heart think so: but
- it is in his heart to destroy and cut off
- nations not a few.
 - 8. For he saith, Are not my princes altogether kings? 9. Is not Calno as Carchemish? is not Hamath as Arpad? is not Samaria as Damascus?
 - 10. As my hand hath found the

- kingdoms of the idols, and whose graven images did excel them of Jerusalem and of Samaria;
- Shall I not, as I have done unto Samaria and her idols, so do to Jerusalem and her idols?
- 12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, that
 - when the Lord hath
- performed his whole
 - work upon mount
- Zion and on
- Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of
- the stout heart of the king of Assyria.
 - and the glory of his high looks.
- 13. For he saith, By the strenath of
 - my hand I have done it, and by my wisdom; for I am prudent: and I have removed the bounds of the people, and have robbed their treasures, and I have put down the inhabitants like a valiant man:
 - 14. And my hand hath found as a nest the riches of the people; and as one gathereth eggs that are left, have I gathered all the earth; and there was none that moved the wing, or opened the mouth, or peeped.
- 15. Shall the axe boast itself against him that heweth therewith? or shall the saw magnify itself against him that shaketh it? as if the rod should shake itself against them that lift it up, or as if the staff should lift up itself, as if it were no wood. 16. Therefore shall
- the Lord, the Lord of hosts. send among his fat ones
- leanness; and under his glory he shall kindle a burning like the burning of a fire.
- 17. And the light of Israel shall be for a fire. and his Holy One for a flame:
- and it shall burn and
 - devour his thorns and his
 - briers in one day;

| 18. And shall consume

the glory of his forest, and of his fruitful field,

both soul and body:

and they shall be as when a standard-bearer fainteth.

- 19. And the rest of the trees of his forest shall be few, that a child may write them.
- 20. And it shall come to pass
- in that day, that
- the remnant of Israel, and

such as are escaped of the house of Jacob, shall no more again stay upon him that smote them; but shall stay upon the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, in truth.

- 21. The remnant
- shall return, even the remnant of Jacob.
- unto the mighty God.
- 22. For though thy people
- Israel be as the sand of the sea, yet a remnant of them
- shall return:

the consumption decreed shall overflow with righteousness.

- 23. For the Lord GOD of hosts shall make a consumption, even determined, in the midst of all the land.
- 24. Therefore thus saith the

■ Lord GOD of hosts, O my people that dwellest in Zion,

people that dwellest in Zion,

be not afraid of the

- Assyrian: he shall smite
- thee with a rod, and shall
- | lift up

his staff against thee,

after the manner of Egypt.

- 25. For yet
- a very little
- while, and the indignation
- **shall cease,** and mine anger in their destruction.
- 26. And the LORD of hosts
- shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter
- of Midian at the rock of Oreb:
- and as his rod was upon
- the sea, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt.
- 27. **And** it shall come to pass

- I in that day, that
- his burden shall be taken
- QWQY from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed

■ because of the anointing.

- 28. He is come to Aiath, he is passed to Migron; at Michmash he hath laid up his carriages:
- 29. They are gone over the passage: they have taken up their lodging at Geba; Ramah

is afraid; Gibeah of Saul is fled.

- 30. Lift up thy voice, O daughter of Gallim: cause it to be heard unto Laish, O poor Anathoth.
- 31. Madmenah is removed; the inhabitants of Gebim gather themselves to flee.
- 32. As yet shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem.
- 33. **Behold, the Lord,** the LORD of hosts,
- shall lop the bough with
- terror: and the high ones of stature shall be hewn down, and
- the haughty shall
- be humbled.
- And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron,
- and Lebanon shall fall
- by a mighty one.

CHAPTER 11

- I 1. And there shall come forth a rod
- Out Of the stem of
- Jesse, and
- a Branch shall grow out of his roots:
- 2. And the spirit of the LORD
- shall rest upon him, the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and of the fear of the LORD;
 - 3. And shall make him of quick understanding in the fear of the LORD:
- and he shall not judge
- after the sight of his eyes,
- | neither reprove after

- the hearing of his ears:
- 4. But with righteousness
- shall he judge the poor.
 - and reprove with equity for the meek of the earth; and he shall smite
- the earth: with the rod of his mouth, and with the breath of his lips shall he slay the wicked.
- 5. And righteousness shall be the girdle of his loins, and faithfulness the girdle of his reins.
 - 6. The wolf also
- shall dwell with the lamb.
- and the leopard shall lie down with the kid; and the calf and the
 - young lion and the fatling together:
- and a little child shall lead them.
- 7. And the cow and the bear shall feed; their young
- ones shall lie down together: and the lion shall eat
- straw like the ox.
- 8. And the sucking child shall play on the hole of the
 - asp. and the weaned child shall put his hand on the cockatrice' den.
- 9. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy
- mountain: for the earth shall be full of the
- knowledge of the LORD.

as the waters cover the sea

- 10. And in that day there shall be
- a root of Jesse, which
- shall stand for an
- ensign of the people: to it snall the Gentiles
- seek: and his rest
- shall be glorious.
- 11. And it shall come to pass
- in that day, that
 - the Lord shall set his hand again the second time to
- recover the remnant
 - of his people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea.
- 12. And he shall set up an ensign for the nations.

- and shall assemble
 - the outcasts of
- Israel, and gather together the dispersed of
- Judah from the four corners of the earth.
 - 13. The envy also of Ephraim shall depart, and the adversaries of Judah shall be cut off:
- Ephraim shall not envy Judah,
- and Judah shall not vex Ephraim. 14. But they
- shall fly upon the
 - shoulders of the
 - Philistines toward the west:
- they shall spoil them of the east together:
 - they shall lay their hand upon
 - Edom and
- Moab: and the children of
 - Ammon shall obey them.
- 15. And the LORD shall utterly destroy the tongue of the
- Egyptian sea; and with his mighty wind shall he shake his hand over the river, and shall smite it in
- the seven streams.
 - and make men go over dryshod.
- 16. And there shall be an highway for the remnant of
- his people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like
- as it was to Israel in
- the day that
- he came up
- out of the land of
- l 🔳 📗 Egypt.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. And in that day thou
- shalt say, O LORD, I
- will praise thee: though thou wast angry with me.
- thine anger is turned away, and thou comfortedst me.
 - Behold, God is my
- salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for
- the LORD JEHOVAH is
 - my strength and my song; he also is become my salvation.
 - 3. Therefore with iov shall ye draw water out of the

wells of salvation.

- 4. And in that day
- shall ye say, Praise the LORD,
- call upon his name, declare his doings among the people, make mention that his name is exalted.
- 5. Sing unto the LORD; for he hath done excellent things:
 this is known in all the earth.
- 6. Cry out and shout, thou inhabitant of Zion:
- for great is the Holy One
- of Israel in the midst of thee.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. The burden of Babylon, which Isaiah the son of Amoz
- did see.
 2. Lift ye up a banner upon the high mountain, exalt the voice unto them, shake the hand, that they may
- go into the gates of the nobles.

 3. I have commanded my sanctified ones, I have also called my mighty ones for

mine anger, even them that rejoice in my highness.

- 4. The noise of a multitude in the mountains, like as of a great people; a tumultuous noise of the kingdoms of nations gathered together: the LORD of hosts mustereth the host of the battle.
- the battle.

 5. They come from a far
- **Solution** 5. Iney come from a far country, from the end of heaven,
- even the LORD, and the weapons of his indignation to destroy
- indignation, to destroy the whole land.
- 6. Howl ye; for the day of the LORD is at hand;

it shall come as a destruction from the Almighty.

- 7. Therefore shall all hands be faint, and every man's heart shall melt:
- 8. And they shall be afraid: pangs and sorrows shall take hold of them; they shall be in pain as a woman that travaileth: they shall be amazed one at another; their faces shall be as flames.
- 1 9. Behold, the day of

the LORD cometh, cruel both with wrath and fierce anger, to lay the land desolate: and he shall destroy the

sinners thereof out of it.

10. For the stars of heaven and the constellations thereof

shall not give their light:
the sun shall be darkened
in his going forth,

and the moon shall

not cause her light to shine.

■ snine. ■ 11. And

11. **And I will punish** the world for *their* evil, and

■ the wicked for their iniquity;

and I will cause the arrogancy of the proud

to cease, and will lay low the haughtiness of the terrible.

12. I will make a man more precious than fine
 gold; even a man than the

gold; even a man than the golden wedge of Ophir.

13. Therefore I will shake the heavens, and the earth shall remove out of her place, in the wrath of the LORD of hosts, and in the day of his fierce anger.

14. And it shall be as the chased roe, and as a sheep that no man taketh up: they shall every man turn to his own people, and flee every one into his own land.

15. Every one that is found
 shall be thrust through; and every one that is joined unto them shall
 fall by the sword.

16. Their children also shall
 be dashed to pieces before their eyes; their houses shall be sooiled.

and their wives ravished.
 17. Behold, I will stir up the
 Medes against them, which shall not regard silver; and as for gold, they shall not delight in it.
 18. Their bows also shall dash the young men to pieces; and they shall

young men to pieces; and they shall have no pity on the fruit of the womb; their eyes shall not spare children.

- 19. **And Babylon,** the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency.
- shall be as when God overthrew
- Sodom and Gomorrah.
- 20. It shall never be

- inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.
- 21. But wild beasts of the desert shall lie there;

and their houses shall be full of doleful creatures; and owls shall dwell there, and satyrs shall dance there.

22. And the wild beasts of the islands shall cry in their desolate houses, and dragons in *their* pleasant palaces: and

- her time is near to come,
- and her days
- shall not be prolonged.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. For the LORD will
 have mercy on Jacob,
- and will yet choose
- Israel, and set them in their

own land: and the strangers shall be joined with them, and they shall cleave to the house of Jacob.

- 2. And the people shall take them, and bring them to their place: and the house of
- Israel shall possess them in the land of the LORD for servants and handmaids: and they
- shall take them
- captives, whose captives
- they were; and they shall
- rule over their oppressors.
- 3. And it shall come to pass in the day that
- in the day that the LORD shall give thee
 - I rest from thy sorrow, and from thy lear, and from the hard bondage wherein thou wast made to serve,
 - 4. That thou shalt
- take up this proverb
- **against** the king of
- Babylon, and say, How
 - hath the oppressor
- | ceased! the golden city ceased!

- The LORD hath broken the staff of the wicked, and the sceptre of the rulers.
 He who
- smote the people

in wrath with a continual stroke, he that ruled the nations

- in anger, is persecuted, and none hindereth.
- 7. The whole earth is at rest,
 and is quiet: they break forth into
 singing.
 - 8. Yea, the fir trees rejoice at thee, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, Since thou art laid down, no feller is come up against us.
- 9. **Hell** from beneath
- is moved for thee
 - to meet thee at thy coming: it stirreth up the dead for thee.
 - even all

■ the chief ones of the earth;

it hath raised up from their thrones all the kings of the nations.

- 10. All they shall
 - speak and say unto thee,
 - Art thou also
 - become weak as we?
 - art thou become
 - like unto
- ■lus?

- 11. Thy pomp is brought
- **down** to the grave, and the noise of thy viols: the worm is spread under thee, and the worms cover thee.
- 12. How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!
 - 13. For thou hast
- said in thine heart.
 - I will ascend into heaven, I will
- exalt my throne
- above the stars of
- God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north:
 - 14. I will ascend above the heights of the clouds:
- I will be like the most High.
 - 15. Yet thou shalt be
 - brought down to hell,

to the sides of

- 16. They that see thee shall
- narrowly look upon thee,
 and consider thee, saying,
- Is this the man that made the earth to tremble.

that did shake kingdoms;

17. That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?

■ 18. All the kings

of the nations, even all of them,

- lie in glory, every one in
- his own house.
- 19. But thou art cast out
- of thy grave like an

abominable branch, and as the raiment of those that are slain, thrust through with a sword, that go down to the stones of the pit; as a carcase trodden under feet.

- 20. Thou shalt not be joinedwith them in burial,
- **because** thou hast destroyed thy land, and slain thy people:
- the seed of evildoers shall never be renowned.
 - 21. Prepare slaughter for his children for the iniquity of their fathers; that they do not rise, nor possess the land, nor fill the face of the world with cities.
- 22. For I will rise up
 - against them, saith the LORD of hosts, and cut off from
- Babylon the name, and remnant, and son, and nephew.
- saith the LORD.

23. I will also make it a possession for the bittern, and pools of water: and I will sweep it with the besom of destruction, saith the LORD of hosts.
24. **The LORD** of hosts

■ 24. The LORD of hosts hath sworn, saying,

Surely as I have thought, so shall it come to pass; and as

■ I have purposed,

so shall it stand:

■ 25. That I will break the

Assyrian in my land, and upon my mountains tread him under foot:

ı| then shall his yoke depart

from off them, and his burden depart from off their shoulders.

26. This *is* the purpose that is purposed upon the whole earth: and this *is* the hand that is stretched out upon all the nations.

27. For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul it? and his hand is stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

28. In the year that king Ahaz died was this burden.

- 29. **Rejoice not** thou, whole Palestina, because the rod
- of him that smote thee is
- broken: for out of the serpent's root shall
- Come forth a cockatrice, and his fruit shall be
- a fiery flying serpent.

30. And the firstborn of the poor shall feed, and the needy shall lie down in safety:

and I will kill thy root with

famine, and he shall slay thy remnant.

- 31. **Howl,** O gate; cry, O city; thou, whole
- Palesting, art dissolved:
- for there shall come from the north a smoke.

the north a smoke, and none shall be alone in his appointed times.

- 32. What shall one then
- answer the messengers
- of the nation? That the
- LORD hath founded Zion, and the poor of
- his people shall trust in it.

CHAPTER 15

- | 1. The burden of Moab.
- Because in the night Ar of Moab is laid waste, and
 - brought to silence; because in the night Kir of Moab is laid waste, and brought to silence;
 - 2. He is gone up to Bajith, and to Dibon, the high places, to weep: Moab shall howl over Nebo, and over Medeba: on all their heads shall be

baldness, and every beard cut off.
3. In their streets they shall aird themselves with

sackcloth: on the tops of their houses, and in their streets.

every one shall howl, weeping abundantly.

4. And Heshbon shall cry, and Elealeh: their voice shall be heard even unto Jahaz: therefore

■ the armed

soldiers of Moab shall

cry out; his life shall be grievous unto him.

5. My heart shall cry out for Moab; his fugitives shall flee unto Zoar, an heifer of three years old: for by the mounting up of Luhith with weeping shall they go it up; for in the way of Horonaim

they shall raise up a cryof destruction.

■ 6. For the waters of Nimrim

shall be desolate: for the hay is withered away, the grass faileth, there is no green thing.

7. Therefore the abundance they have gotten, and that which they have laid up,

to the brook of the willows.

8 For the cry is gone

round about

the borders of Moab; the howling thereof unto Eglaim, and the howling thereof unto Beerelim.

9. For the waters of Dimon shall be full of blood: for

 I will bring more upon Dimon,

lions upon him that escapeth of

Moab, and upon
the remnant of the land.

CHAPTER 16

1. Send ye the lamb to the ruler of the land from Sela to the wilderness, unto the mount of the daughter

■ of Zion.

2. For it shall be, that.

aș a wandering

bird cast out of the nest.

so the daughters ofMoab shall be at thefords of Arnon.

3. **Take counsel,** execute judgment; make thy shadow as the night in the midst of the noonday; hide the outcasts; bewray not him that wandereth.

4. Let mine outcasts dwell with thee, Moab;

■ **be** thou

a covert to them from

the face of the spoiler: for the extortioner is at an end, the spoiler ceaseth, the oppressors are consumed out of the land.

5. And in mercy shall the throne be established: and he shall sit upon it in truth in the tabernacle of David, judging, and seeking judgment, and hasting righteousness.

and hasting righteousne 6. We have heard of the pride of

Moab; he

is very proud: even of his

haughtiness, and his pride, and his wrath: but his lies shall not be so.

7. Therefore shall Moab howl for Moab, every one shall howl: for the foundations of Kir-hareseth shall ye mourn; surely they are stricken.

8. For the fields of Heshbon languish, and the vine of Sibmah: the lords of the heathen have broken down the principal plants thereof, they are come even unto Jazer, they wandered through the wilderness: her branches are stretched out, they are gone over the sea.

9. Therefore I will bewailwith the weeping of

■ Jazer the vine of Sibmah:
■ I will water thee with

my tears, O Heshbon, and Elealeh: for the shouting

for thy summer fruits and for thy harvest is fallen.

10. And gladness

is taken away, and joyout of the plentiful field;

and in the vineyards there shall

be no singing, neither shall there be shouting: the treaders shall tread out no wine in their presses:

- I have made their vintage shouting to cease.
 - 11. Wherefore my bowels shall sound like an harp for Moab, and mine inward parts for Kir-haresh.
- 12. And it shall come to pass,
- when it is seen that
- Moab is weary on the high place, that
- he shall come to his
- sanctuary to pray; but ■ he shall not prevail.
 - 13. This is the word that the LORD hath spoken concerning Moab since that time.
 - 14. But now the LORD hath spoken, saying,
- Within three years, as the years of an hireling, and
- the glory of Moab
- | shall be contemned, with all that great multitude; and the remnant shall be very
- small *and* feeble.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. The burden of Damascus. Behold, Damascus is taken away from being a city, and it shall be a ruinous heap.
- 2. The cities of Aroer are
 - forsaken: they shall be for flocks, which shall lie down. and none shall make them afraid.
- 3. The fortress also shall cease from Ephraim, and the kingdom from

Damascus, and the remnant of

- Syria: they
- shall be as the
- **alory** of the children
- of Israel, saith the
- LORD of hosts.
 - 4. And in that day it shall come to pass, that
- the glory of Jacob shall be **made thin, and** the fatness of
- his flesh shall wax
- lean.
- 5. And it shall be as

when the harvestman aathereth the corn.

and reapeth the ears with his arm:

- and it shall be as he that gathereth ears
- in the valley of Rephaim.
- 6. Yet aleaning arapes
- shall be left in it. as the shaking of an olive tree, two or

three berries in the top of

the uppermost bough. four or five in the outmost fruitful branches thereof. saith the LORD God of Israel.

- 7. At that day shall a
- man look to his Maker. and his eyes shall
- have respect

to the Holy One of Israel.

- 8. And he shall not look to the altars, the work of his hands, neither shall respect that which his fingers have made. either the groves, or the
- images.
- 9. In that day shall his strong cities be as a
 - forsaken bough, and an uppermost branch. which they left because of the children of Israel: and there shall be desolation.
- 10. Because thou hast forgotten the God of
- thy salvation, and hast not been mindful of the rock of thy strength, therefore shalt thou plant pleasant plants, and shalt set it with strange slips:
- 11. In the day shalt
- thou make thy
- **plant** to grow, and in the morning shalt thou make thy seed to flourish:
- but the harvest shall
- be a heap in the day of grief and of desperate sorrow.
- 12. Woe to the multitude of many
- people, which make a noise like the noise of the seas;
- and to the rushing of
- nations, that make a rushing

like the rushing of mighty waters! 13 The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters:

but God shall rebuke them.

and they shall flee far off, and

shall be chased as the

chaff of the mountains

before the wind, and like a rolling thing before the whirlwind.

14. And behold at eveningtide trouble: and before the morning he is not.

This is the portion of

■ | them that spoil us.

and the lot of them that

■ rob us.

CHAPTER 18

 Woe to the land shadowing with wings, which is beyond the rivers of Ethiopia:

2. That sendeth

ambassadors by the

sea, even in vessels of bulrushes upon the waters.

saying, Go, ye swift messengers. to a nation scattered and

peeled, to a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out

and trodden down,

whose land the rivers

have spoiled!

3. All ye inhabitants of the world, and

dwellers on the

earth, see ye.

when he lifteth up an

ensign on the mountains;

and when he

bloweth a trumpet, hear ye.

4. For so the LORD

said unto me,

I will take my rest,

and I will consider in my dwelling place like a clear heat upon herbs. and like a cloud of dew in the heat of harvest

5. For afore the harvest. when the bud is perfect.

and the sour grape is ripening in the flower.

he shall both

■ | cut off the sprigs with

pruning hooks, and take away and cut down the branches.

They shall be left together.

unto the fowls of the mountains.

and to the

beasts of the earth; and the fowls shall summer upon them. and all the beasts of the earth shall winter upon them.

7. In that time shall the

present be brought unto

the LORD of hosts

of a people scattered

and peeled, and from a people terrible from their beginning hitherto; a nation meted out and trodden under foot, whose land the rivers have spoiled.

to the place of the name of the

LORD of hosts, the

mount Zion.

CHAPTER 19

The burden of Egypt.

Behold, the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud, and shall come into Egypt: and the idols of Egypt shall be

moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall

melt in the midst of it. And I will set

the Egyptians against the Egyptians: and they

shall fight every one against his brother.

and every one against

his neighbour; city against city, and kingdom against kingdom.

3. And the spirit of Egypt

shall fail in the midst thereof: and I will destroy

the counsel thereof:

and they shall seek to the

idols, and to the

charmers, and to

them that have familiar

spirits, and to

the wizards.

4. And the Egyptians will I aive over

into the hand of a

cruel lord:

- I and a
- fierce king shall rule over them,
- the LORD of hosts.
- 5. And the waters shall fail from the sea, and the river shall
- be wasted and dried up.
 - And they shall turn the rivers far away; and the brooks of defence shall be emptied and dried up: the reeds and flags shall wither.
 - 7. The paper reeds by the brooks, by the mouth of the brooks.
- and every thing sown by the brooks.
- shall wither, be driven away, and be no *more*.
- 8. The fishers also shall mourn, and all they that cast angle into the brooks shall lament, and they that spread nets upon the waters
- ■| shali languish.
- 9. Moreover they that
- work in fine flax, and they that weave networks.
- shall be confounded.
 - And they shall be broken in the purposes thereof, all that make sluices and ponds for fish.
- 11. Surely the princes
 of Zoan are fools, the
 counsel of the wise
 - counsellors of Pharaoh
- is become brutish: how say ye unto Pharaoh, I am the son of the wise, the son of ancient kings?
- 12. Where are they? where are thy wise men? and let them tell thee now, and
- let them know what
- I the LORD of hosts
- hath purposed upon Egypt.
- 13. **The princes** of Zoan are become fools, the princes of Noph are deceived; they
- have also
- **seduced Egypt**, even they that are the stay of the tribes thereof.
- 14. The LORD hath mingled ■ a perverse spirit in
- the midst thereof: and
- they have caused Egypt
- to err in every work thereof,

- as a drunken *man* staggereth in his vomit.
- 15. Neither shall there be
- any work for Egypt, which the head or tail, branch or rush, may do.
 16. In that day shall
- Egypt be like unto women: and if shall be afraid and fear
- it shall be afraid and fear because of the shaking
- of the hand of the LORD
 - of hosts, which he shaketh over it.
- 17. **And** the land of
- Judah shall be a terror
 - unto Egypt, every one that maketh mention thereof shall be afraid in himself,
- because of the counsel
- of the LORD of hosts, which he hath
 - wnich ne nath
 - determined against it.
 - 18. In that day shall five cities in the land of Egypt speak the language of Canaan, and swear to the LORD of hosts; one shall be called, The city of destruction.
- 19. In that day shall there
 - be an altar to the LORD
- in the midst of the land of
- **Egypt,** and a pillar
- to the LORD.
- 20. And it shall be
- for a sign and for a witness
 - unto the LORD of hosts in the land of Egypt:
- for they shall cry unto
- the LORD because of
- the oppressors, and
- he shall send them a saviour, and
- a great one, and he shall
- deliver them.
- 21. And the LORD shall be known to Egypt,
- and the Egyptians shall
- know the LORD in that day,
 - and shall do sacrifice and oblation; yea,
- they shall vow a vow unto
- the LORD, and perform it.
- 22. And the LORD shall
 - smite Egypt: he shall
 - smite and heal it:

- and they shall return even to the LÓRD, and he shall be intreated of them, and shall heal them.
- 23. In that day shall there be a highway out of Egypt to Assyria, and
- the Assyrian shall come into Egypt,

and the Egyptian into Assyria,

- and the Egyptians shall serve with the Assyrians.
 - 24. In that day shall
- Israel be the third
- with Egypt and with
- Assyria, even a blessing in the midst of the land:
- 25. Whom the LORD of hosts.
- shall bless, saying,
- Blessed be
- Eavot my people, and
 - Assyria
 - the work of my hands.
- and Israel mine inheritance.

CHAPTER 20

■ 1. In the year that Tartan came unto Ashdod.

> (when Sargon the king of Assyria sent him,) and fought against Ashdod,

- and took it:
- 2. At the same time
- spake the LORD by
- **Isaiah** the son of Amoz.
- savina. Go and loose the
- sackcloth from off thy
- loins, and put off thy shoe from thy foot.
- And he did so, walking naked and barefoot
- 3. And the LORD said.
- **Like** as my servant
- Isaiah hath
- walked naked and
- barefoot three years for
- a sign and wonder
- upon Egypt and upon
- Ethiopia;
- 4 So shall the king of
- Assyria lead away the Egyptians prisoners.
 - and the Ethiopians captives. young and old.
- naked and barefoot.

- even with their buttocks uncovered. to the shame of Foyot
- 5. And they shall be

afraid and ashamed of Ethiopia their expectation, and of Egypt their glory.

And the inhabitant of this isle shall say in that day, Behold, such is our expectation, whither we flee for help to be delivered from the king of Assyria: and how shall we escape?

CHAPTER 21

- 1. The burden of the
- desert of the sea
- As whirlwinds in the south pass through: so it
- cometh from the desert. from a terrible land.
- 2. A arievous vision
- is declared unto
- me: the treacherous dealer dealeth treacherously. and the spoiler spoileth.
- Go up, O Elam: besiege, O Media; all the sighing thereof have I made
- to cease.
- 3. Therefore are my loins filled with pain: pangs have

taken hold upon me, as the pangs of a woman that travaileth: I was bowed down at the hearing of it. I was dismayed at the seeing of it.

- My heart panted, fearfulness affrighted me: the night of
- my pleasure hath he turned into fear unto me
 - Prepare the table, watch in the watchtower, eat, drink: arise, ye princes, and anoint the shield.
- 6. For thus hath
- the LORD said unto me.
 - Go, set a watchman. let him declare
- what he seeth.

- And he saw a chariot **With** a couple of
- horsemen, a chariot of asses, and a chariot of
 - camels:
 - and he hearkened diligently with much heed:
- 8. And he cried, A lion: My

lord, I stand continually upon the watchtower in the daytime, and I am set in my ward whole nights:

9. And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, with a couple of horsemen.

And he

said, Babylon

■ is fallen, is fallen; ■ and all the graven

images of her gods

he hath broken unto the ground.

10. O my threshing, and the corn of my floor: that which I have heard of the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, have I declared unto you.

■ 11. The burden of

Dumah. He calleth to me
out of Seir, Watchman,

what of the night?
Watchman, what of the night?

12. The watchman said,
The morning cometh,

and also the night: if ye will enquire, enquire ye: return, come.

13. The burden upon
Arabia. In the forest in
Arabia shall ye lodge,
O ye travelling companies

of Dedanim.

14. The inhabitants of the land of **Tema brought water to him** that was thirsty,

they prevented with their bread him that fled.

15. For they fled from the swords, from the drawn sword, and from the bent bow, and

from the grievousness of

■| war<u>.</u>

16. For thus hath

the LORD said unto me,
Within a year, according to

the years of an hireling, and all the glory of Kedar

■| the glory of Kedar ■| shall fail:

17. **And the** residue of the number of archers,

the mighty men of the children

of Kedar, shall be diminished: for the LORD God of Israel hath spoken it.

CHAPTER 22

The burden of the valley of vision. What

■ aileth thee now, that thou art wholly gone up to the housetops?

■ 2. **Thou** that

■ art full of stirs,

a tumultuous city, joyous city: thy slain men are not slain with the sword, nor dead in battle.

3. All thy rulers are fled together, they are bound by the archers: all that are found in thee are bound together, which have fled from far.

4. Therefore said I, Look away from me; I will weep bitterly,

labour not to comfort me,because of the spoiling

of the daughter of my people.

■ 5. For it is a day of ■ trouble, and of treading

■ down, and of perplexity

 by the Lord GOD of hosts in the valley of vision, breaking down the walls, and of crying to the mountains.

 And Elam bare the quiver with chariots of men and horsemen, and Kir uncovered the shield.

7. And it shall come to pass, *that* thy choicest valleys shall be full of chariots, and the horsemen shall set themselves in array at the gate.

8. And he discovered the covering of Judah, and thou didst look in that day to the armour of the house of the forest.

Ye have seen also the breaches of the city of David, that they are many: and ye gathered together the waters of the lower pool.

10. And ye have numbered the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses have ye broken down to fortify the wall.

11. Ye made also a ditch between the

two walls for the water of the old pool: but ye have not looked unto the maker thereof, neither had respect unto him that lashioned it long ago.

12. And in that day did

the Lord GOD of hosts call to weeping, and to mourning, and to baldness, and to girding

with sackcloth:

13. And behold iov

and gladness, slaying oxen, and killing sheep.

eating flesh,

and drinking wine:

let us eat and drink:

for to morrow we shall die

14 And it was revealed in mine ears

by the LORD of hosts. Surely

this iniquity shall not

be purged from you till ve die, saith the

Lord GOD of hosts.

15. Thus saith the Lord GOD of hosts. Go. get thee unto this treasurer, even unto Shebna, which is over the house, and say,

16. What hast thou here? and whom hast thou here, that thou hast hewed thee out a sepulchre here, as he that heweth him out a sepulchre on high, and that graveth an habitation for himself in a rock?

17. Behold, the LORD will carry thee away with a mighty captivity, and will surely cover thee.

18. **He will** surely

violently turn and

toss thee like a ball into a large country:

there shalt thou die, and there the chariots of thy glory shall be the shame of thy lord's house.

19. And I will drive thee from thy station, and from thy state shall he pull thee down

■ 20. And it shall come

■ to pass in that day.

that I will call my servant Eliakim the son of Hilkiah:

21. And I will clothe him I with thy robe, and

strengthen him with thy girdle.

and I will

commit thy government into his hand; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to the house of

Judah.

22. And the key of the house of David will I lay upon his

shoulder; so he shall open. and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open.

23. And I will fasten him as a nail in a sure place:

> and he shall be for a glorious throne to his father's house.

24. And they shall hang upon him all the glory of his father's house, the offspring and the issue, all vessels of small quantity, from the vessels of cups, even to all the vessels of flagons.

25. In that day. saith the LOBD of hosts

shall the nail that is fastened in the sure place be removed. and be cut down, and

fall: and the burden that

was upon it shall be cut off:

for the LORD hath spoken it.

CHAPTER 23

 The burden of Tyre, Howl. ve ships of Tarshish; for it

is laid waste, so that there is no house, no entering in: from the land of Chittim it is revealed to them.

2. Be still, ve inhabitants of the isle: thou whom the merchants of Zidon. that pass over the sea.

have replenished.

3. And by great waters the seed of Sihor, the harvest of the river, is her revenue; and she is a mart of nations.

Be thou ashamed.

O Zidon: for the sea hath spoken, even the strength of the sea, saying, I travail not, nor bring forth children, neither do I nourish up young men, nor bring up virgins. 5. As

at the report concerning Egypt, so shall they be sorely

- pained at the report of Tyre.
 - 6. Pass ye over to Tarshish; howl, ve inhabitants of the isle.
 - 7. Is this your joyous city, whose antiquity is of ancient days? her own feet shall carry her afar off to sojourn.
- Who hath taken this counsel against Tyre, the crowning city, whose merchants are princes, whose traffickers are the honourable of the earth?
- 9 The LORD of hosts hath purposed it, to stain the pride of all glory. and to bring into ■ | contempt all the
 - 10. Pass through thy land as a river. O daughter of Tarshish: there is no more strength.

honourable of the earth.

- 11. He stretched out his hand over the sea, he shook the kingdoms:
- the LORD hath given a ■ | commandment against the merchant city, to destroy the strong holds thereof. river, O daughter of Tarshish:

there is no more strength. 12. And he said. Thou shalt no more rejoice, O thou oppressed virgin, daughter of Zidon: arise,

pass over to Chittim: there also shalt thou have no rest.

13. Behold the land of the Chaldeans: this people was not. till the Assyrian founded it for them that dwell in the wilderness: they set up the towers thereof, they raised up the palaces thereof: and he brought it to ruin.

14. Howl, ye ships of Tarshish: for your strength is laid waste. 15. And it shall come to

pass in that day, that

Tyre shall be forgotten seventy years, according to the days of one king: after the end of seventy years shall Tyre sing as an harlot. 16. Take an harp, go about the city, thou harlot that hast been

forgotten; make sweet melody. sing many songs, that thou mayest be remembered.

17. And it shall come to pass

after the end of seventy years, that

the LORD will visit Tyre, and

she shall turn to her hire, and shall

commit fornication

with all the kingdoms of the world

upon the face of the earth.

18. And her merchandise and her hire

shall be holiness to the LORD: it shall not be treasured nor laid up: for her merchandise shall be

for them that dwell

before the LORD.

to eat sufficiently.

and for durable clothing.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. Behold, the LORD maketh
- the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and
- scattereth abroad
- the inhabitants thereof.
 - And it shall be, as with the people. so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buver, so with the seller: as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him.
- The land shall be utterly
- emptied, and utterly **spoiled**: for the LORD hath spoken this word.
 - 4. The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish.
 - 5 The earth also
- is defiled under the
- inhabitants thereof:
- because they have transgressed the laws.
 - changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant.
- 6. Therefore hath the curse

- devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate:
- therefore the
- inhabitants of the earth
- are burned, and few men left.
 - 7. The new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merry hearted do sigh.
 - 8. The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth.
 - 9. They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it.
 - 10. The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that no man may come in.
 - 11. There is a crying for wine in the streets: all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone.
- 12. In the city is left desolation, and the gate
- is smitten with destruction.

 13. When thus it shall
- be in the midst of the land
 among the people, there shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, and as the gleaning

grapes when the vintage is done.

- 14. They shall lift up their voice, they shall
- sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea.
- 15. Wherefore glorify ye
 the LORD in the fires, even
 the name of the LORD God of
 Israel in the isles of the sea.
- 16. From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even
- glory to the righteous.
 But I said, My leanness,
- woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously.
- 17. Fear, and the pit, and the snare.
- are upon thee, Oinhabitant of the earth.

- 18. And it shall come to pass, that he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake.
 19. The earth is of the pit shall be taken down, the shall be still be taken down,
- 19. The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly.
 20. The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard.
- and fro like a drunkard and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it;
- and it shall fall, and not rise again.
- 21. And it shall come to pass
- in that day, that
- Dunish the host of
- the high ones that are on high, and the kings
- of the earth upon the earth.
- 22. And they shall be
- gathered together,
- as prisoners are gathered in the pit and shall be shall be shall be shall be
- in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison,
- and after many days shall they be visited.
 - 23. **Then** the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when
- the LORD of hosts
- shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients
- | gloriously.

CHAPTER 25

- 1 1. O Lord, thou art my God:
 - I will exalt thee,

I will praise thy name; for

- thou hast done wonderful
- *things*; thy counsels
 - of old are faithfulness and truth.
- 2. For thou hast made of a city an heap; of
- a palace of strangers to be no city: it shall never be built.
- 3. Therefore shall the strong

- people alorify thee, the city of the terrible nations shall fear thee
- 4. For thou hast been
- a strength to the
- **poor**, a strength to
- the needy in his distress, a refuge from the storm.
 - a shadow from the heat, when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall.
 - Thou shalt bring down the noise of strangers, as the heat in a dry place: even the heat with the shadow of a cloud: the branch of the terrible ones shall be brought low.
 - 6. And in this mountain
- shall the LORD of hosts
- make unto all people
- a feast of fat things, a feast of wines on the lees, of fat things full of marrow, of wines on the lees well refined.
- And he will destroy in this mountain the face of
- the covering cast over
- all people, and the

veil that is spread over all nations.

- 8. He will swallow up death in victory; and the Lord GOD
 - will wipe away tears from off all faces:
- and the rebuke of his people shall he take away from off all the earth:

for the LORD hath spoken it.

■ 9. And it shall be said

in that day, Lo, this is our God: we have waited for him. and he will save us:

- this is the LORD:
- we have waited for him. ■ we will be glad and
- rejoice in his salvation. 10. For in this mountain
- shall the hand of the LORD rest, and Moab shall be trodden

down under him, even as straw is trodden down for the dunghill.

- 11. And he shall spread forth his hands in the midst of them, as he that swimmeth spreadeth forth his hands to swim; and
- he shall bring down

- their pride together with the spoils of their hands
- 12. And the fortress of the high fort of thy walls shall he bring down, lay low, and bring to the ground, even
- to the dust.

CHAPTER 26

- 1. In that day shall this
- song be sung in the land of Judah; We have a strong
- City: salvation will God appoint for walls and bulwarks.
- Open ye the gates,
- that the righteous nation which keepeth the truth
- may enter in.
- 3. Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind
 - is stayed on thee: because he
- trusteth in thee.
 - 4. Trust ye
- in the LÓRD for ever:
- for in the LORD JEHOVAH
- is everlasting strength:
- 5. For he bringeth down them that dwell on high:
- the lofty city, he layeth it low:
 - he laveth it low. even to the ground; he bringeth it even to the dust.
 - The foot shall tread it down, even. the feet of the poor, and the steps of the needy.
- 7. The way of the just is uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just.
 - 8. Yea, in the way of thy judgments, O LORD, have we waited for thee;
- the desire of our soul is to thy name, and to the
- remembrance of thee.
 - 9. With my soul have I desired thee in the night; yea, with my spirit within me will I seek thee early: for
- when thy judgments *are* in the earth, the inhabitants **=** [
 - of the world will
- learn righteousness.
- 10. Let favour be shewed to
- the wicked, *yet* will he not

learn riahteousness:

in the land of uprightness will he deal unjustly, and will not behold the majesty of the LORD.

11. LORD, when thy hand is lifted up, they will not see: but they shall see, and be ashamed for their envy at the people; yea, the fire of thine enemies shall devour them.

12. LORD, thou wilt

ordain peace for us:

for thou also

hast wrought all our

works in us. 13 O LOBD our God.

other lords heside thee

have had dominion

OVER US: but by thee only will we make mention of thy name.

14. They are dead.

> they shall not live; they are deceased, they shall not rise:

therefore hast thou visited and destroyed them, and

made all

their memory to perish.

15. Thou hast increased the nation. O LORD.

thou hast increased the nation:

thou art glorified:

thou hadst removed it far unto all the ends of the earth.

16. LORD, in trouble have they visited thee.

they poured out a prayer when thy chastening was upon them.

17. Like as a woman with

child, that draweth near the time of her delivery, is in pain, and

crieth out in her panas; so have we been in thy sight. O LORD.

18. We have been with child, we have been in pain, we have as it were brought forth wind; we have not wrought any deliverance in the earth; neither have the inhabitants of the world fallen.

■ 19. Thy dead men shall live,

together with my dead body shall they

arise. Awake and sing,

ve that dwell in dust: for thy dew is as the dew of herbs, and the earth shall cast out the dead.

20. Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers. and shut thy doors about thee:

hide thyself as it were

for a little

moment, until the

indignation be overpast.

21. For, behold.

the LORD cometh

out of his place

to punish the inhabitants

of the earth for their

iniquity: the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.

CHAPTER 27

1. In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan

the piercing

serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and

he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.

In that day sing ye

unto her, A vineyard of red wine.

I the LORD do keep it:

I will water it every moment: lest any hurt it.

I will keep it night and day.

4. Fury is not in me: who would set the briers and thorns against me in battle? I would go through them, I would burn them together.

5. Or let him

take hold of my strength, that he may make peace with me:

and he shall

make peace with me.

6. He shall cause them that come of

Jacob to take root: Israel

shall blossom and bud.

and fill the face of

the world with fruit.

Hath he smitten him.

as he smote those that smote him?

or is he slain according to

the slaughter of them that are slain by him?

8. In measure.

when it shooteth

forth, thou wilt debate with it:

he stayeth his rough wind in the day of the east wind.

9. By this therefore

shall the iniquity of Jacob

be purged; and this is all the fruit to take away his sin; when he maketh all

the stones of the altar as chalkstones that are

beaten in sunder, the groves

■ and images shall l not stand up.

10. Yet the defenced city shall be desolate, and the habitation forsaken, and left like a wilderness: there shall the calf feed.

and there shall he lie down, and consume the branches thereof.

11. When the boughs thereof are withered, they shall be broken off; the women come, and set them on fire: for it is a people of no understanding: therefore he that made them will not have mercy on them, and he that formed them will shew them no favour.

12. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall beat off

from the channel of the river unto the stream of Egypt, and ye shall be gathered one by one, O ve children of Israel.

13. And it shall come to pass in that day, that the great trumpet shall be blown, and

they shall come

which were ready to

perish in the land of

Assyria, and the outcasts in the land of

Egypt, and

shall worship the

LORD in the holy mount at

Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 28

| ■ | 1. Woe to the crown of pride.

to the drunkards of

Ephraim, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head

fat valleys of them that are overcome with wine!

2. Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm. as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand.

The crown of pride, the drunkards of

Ephraim, shall be trodden under feet:

And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley.

shall be a fading flower. and as the hasty fruit before the summer: which when he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it up.

5. In that day shall the LORD of hosts

be for a crown of glory, and for a diadem of beauty.

unto the residue of his people.

And for

a spirit of judgment to him that sitteth in judgment,

and for

> strenath to them that turn the battle to the gate.

7. But they also

have erred through wine. and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble in judgment. For all tables are full of vomit.

and filthiness, so that there is no place clean. 9. Whom shall he teach

knowledge? and whom shall he

make to understand

doctrine? them that are

weaned from the milk,

and drawn from the breasts. 10. For precept must be ■ Lupon precept, precept upon line upon line, line upon line: here a little, and there a little: 11. For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. 12. To whom he said. This is the rest wherewith ve may cause the weary to rest; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. 13. But the word of the LORD Was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line: here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and

be broken, and snared. and taken. 14. Wherefore hear the

word of the LORD.

ye scornful men, that rule this people which is

in Jerusalem 15. **Because ve** have

said. We have made a covenant with death.

and with

hell are we at agreement;

when the overflowing

scourge shall pass through. it shall not come unto

us: for we have made lies our refuge, and

under falsehood have we hid ourselves:

16. Therefore thus saith

the Lord GOD, Behold.

I lay in Zion for

a foundation a

stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation:

he that believeth shall not make haste.

> 17. Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet:

and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place.

18. And your covenant with death shall be disannulled, and your agreement with hell shall not stand;

when the overflowing

scourae shall pass through, then

ye shall be trodden down by it.

19. From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you; for morning by morning shall it pass over. by day and by night:

and it shall be a vexation only to understand the report. 20. For the bed is shorter than that a man can stretch himself on it, and the covering narrower than that he can wrap himself in it.

21. For the LORD shall rise up as in mount Perazim, he shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that he may do his work, his strange work; and

bring to pass his act, his strange act.

22. Now therefore be ve not mockers, lest your

bands be made strong: for I have heard from

the Lord GOD

of hosts

a consumption, even determined upon

the whole earth.

23. Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken,

and hear my speech.

24. **Doth the plowman plow** all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of

his ground?

25. When he hath made plain the face thereof.

doth he not cast abroad

the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in the principal wheat and the appointed barley and the rie in their place?

- 26 For his God doth instruct him to discretion, and doth teach him.
 - 27. For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin: but the fitches. are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod

28. Bread corn is bruised: because he will not ever be threshing it, nor break it with the wheel of his cart. nor bruise it with his horsemen.

- 29 This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts.
- which is wonderful
- in counsel. and excellent in ■ working.

CHAPTER 29

- I 1. Woe to Ariel. to Ariel. the city where David
- dwelf! add ve year to year: let them kill sacrifices
- 2. Yet I will distress Ariel, and there shall be heaviness and sorrow: and it shall be unto me as Ariel.
- 3. And I will camp against thee
- lay siege against thee with a mount, and I will raise forts against thee.

round about, and will

- 4. And thou shalt be ■ brought down, and shall speak out of the ground, and thy speech shall be low out of the dust, and thy voice shall be, as of one that hath a familiar spirit, out of the ground, and thy speech shall whisper out of the dust.
- 5. **Moreover** the multitude of thy strangers shall be like small dust, and the multitude of the terrible ones shall be as chaff that passeth away: yea,
- it shall be at an instant
- suddenly.
 - 6. Thou shalt be visited of the LORD of hosts

- with thunder, and with earthquake, and great noise, with storm and tempest. and the flame of
- devouring
 - fire.
 - 7. And the multitude of all the nations
- that fight against Ariel, even all that fight against her and her munition, and that distress her. shall be as a dream
- of a night vision.
- 8. It shall even be as when an hungry man
- dreameth, and, behold,
 - he eateth; but he awaketh. and his soul is empty:
- or as when a thirsty man dreameth, and, behold.
- he drinketh: but he awaketh, and, behold,
- he is faint, and his soul
- hath appetite: so shall the multitude of all the
- nations be, that fight against mount Zion.
- 9. Stav vourselves, and wonder: cry ye out, and cry: they are drunken, but not with wine; they stagger, but not with strong drink.
- 10. For the LORD hath poured out upon you the spirit of deep
- sleep, and hath closed your eyes: the prophets and your rulers, the seers hath he covered.
- And the vision of all
- is become unto you
- **QS** the words of
- a book that is sealed, which men deliver to one that is learned. saying, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith, I cannot; for it is sealed: 12. And the book is delivered to him that is not learned, saving, Read this, I pray thee: and he saith. Lam not learned
- 13 Wherefore the
 - Lord said, Forasmuch as
- this people draw near me with their mouth, and
- with their lips do honour

me, but have removed their heart far from me, and their lear toward me is taught by the precept of men:

14. **Therefore**, behold, I will proceed to do a marvellous work among this people, even a marvellous work and a wonder: for

the wisdom of their wise men shall perish, and the understanding of their prudent men shall be hid.

■ 15. Woe unto them

that seek deep

■ to hide their counsel

from the LORD, and

their works are in the dark,

■ and they

say, Who seeth us?

■ 16. Surely your turning of

things upside down shall be esteemed as the

potter's clay: for shall the work say of him that made
 it, He made me not? or shall

the thing framed say of him that framed it, He had no understanding?

17. Is it not yet a very little while, and Lebanon shall be turned into a fruitful field, and the

fruitful field shall

be esteemed as a forest?

18. And in that day shall the deaf hear the

words of the book,

and the eyes of the blind shall see

out of obscurity, and out of darkness.

19. **The meek** also shall increase their joy in the LORD,

and the poor among men

shall rejoice in the Holy One of Israel.

20. For the terrible one is brought to nought, and

■ the scorner is consumed,

and all that watch for iniquity are cut off:

21. That make a man an offender for a word, and lay a snare for him that reproveth in the gate, and turn aside the just for a thing of nought.

22. Therefore thus saith the

LORD, who redeemed Abraham, concerning the house of Jacob,

Jacob shall not now be ashamed, neither shall his face now wax pale.

23. But when he seeth his children, the work of mine hands, in the midst of him,

■ they shall sanctify my name, and

sanctify the Holy One of Jacob, and shall

fear the God of Israel.

■ 24. They also

■ that erred in spirit

■ shall come to

understanding, and

■ they that murmured

ı shall learn doctrine.

CHAPTER 30

1. Woe to the rebellious children, saith the LORD.

that take counsel, but not of me; and that cover with a covering, but not of my spirit,

■ that they may

add sin to sin:

2. That walk to go down into Egypt, and have not asked at my mouth; to strengthen themselves in the strength of Pharaoh, and to

■ trust in the shadow of

■ Egypt:

■ 3. Therefore shall

the strength of

Pharaoh be your shame.

and the

trust in the shadow of Egypt your confusion.

4. For his princes were at Zoan, and his ambassadors came to Hanes.

5. They were all ashamed
of a people that could not
profit them,

nor be an help nor profit, but a shame, and also a reproach.

6. The burden of the beasts of the south: into the land of trouble and anguish, from whence *come* the young and old lion, the viper and fiery flying serpent, they will carry their riches upon the shoulders of young asses, and their treasures upon the bunches of camels, to a people that shall not profit them.

- 7. For the Egyptians shall help in vain, and to no purpose: therefore have I cried concerning this. Their strength is to sit still.
- 8. Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it
- in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever:
- 9. That this is a rebellious **people**, lying children, children that will not hear the
- law of the LORD: 10. Which say to the
- seers. See not:
- and to

= !

- the prophets, Prophesy not unto us right things.
- speak unto us smooth things, prophesy deceits:
- 11. Get you out of the way,
- turn aside out of the path,
- cause the Holy One of Israel to cease
- from before us. 12. Wherefore thus saith
- the Holy One of Israel. Because ye despise
- this word, and trust
 - in oppression and perverseness. and stay thereon:
- 13. Therefore this iniquity shall be to you as a breach ready to fall,
 - swelling out in a high wall,
- whose breaking cometh **suddenly** at an instant.
- 14. And he shall break
- it as the breaking of
 - the potters' vessel that is broken in pieces; he shall not spare: so that there shall not be found in the bursting of it a sherd to take fire from the hearth, or to take water withal out of the pit.
- 15. For thus saith the
- Lord GOD, the Holy One of Israel; In returning and rest
- shall ye be saved; in

- quietness and in confidence shall be your strength: and ve would not.
- But ve said. No: for we will flee upon horses: therefore shall ve flee; and, We will ride upon the swift; therefore shall they that pursue you be swift.
- 17. One thousand shall flee at the rebuke of one; at the rebuke of five shall ve flee: till ve be left as a beacon upon the top of a mountain, and as an ensign on an hill.
- 18. And therefore will the LORD wait, that he may be gracious unto you, and therefore will he be exalted.
- that he may have mercy upon you: for the LORD is a God of judgment: blessed are all they that wait for him.
- 19. For the people shall dwell in Zion at Jerusalem: thou shalt weep no more:
 - he will be very
- gracious unto thee at the voice of

 - thy cry; when he shall hear it, he will answer thee.
- 20. And though the Lord give you the bread of
- adversity, and the water of
- affliction, yet shall not thy
 - teachers be removed into a corner any more.
- but thine eves shall see thy teachers:
- 21. And thine ears shall
- **hear** a word behind thee, saying,
- This *is* the way, walk ye in it, when ye turn to the right hand,
- and when ve turn to the left.
- 22. Ye shall defile also the covering of
- **thy graven images** of silver, and the ornament of thy molten images of gold:
- thou shalt cast them
- QWQY as a menstruous cloth; thou shalt say unto it, Get thee hence.
- 23. Then shall he give the rain of thy seed, that thou
 - shalt sow the ground withal:

and bread of the increase of

the earth, and it

shall be fat and

plenteous: in that day shall thy cattle feed in large pastures. 24. The oxen likewise and the young asses that ear the ground shall eat clean provender, which hath been winnowed with the shovel and with the fan

25. And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill.

rivers and streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall. 26. Moreover the light of the moon shall be as the light of the sun, and the light of the sun shall be sevenfold. as the light of seven days.

in the day that the LORD bindeth up the breach of his people, and

healeth the stroke of their wound.

27. Behold, the name of the LORD cometh from far.

burning with his

anger, and the burden thereof is heavy: his lips are full of indignation. and his tongue as a devouring fire: 28. And his breath, as an overflowing stream, shall reach to the midst of the neck.

to sift the nations with the sieve of vanity: and there shall be a bridle in the jaws of the people, causing them to err.

29. Ye shall have a song, as in the night

when a holy solemnity is kept; and gladness of heart,

as when one goeth with a pipe to come into the mountain of the LORD, to the mighty One of Israel.

■ 30. And the LORD shall ■ | cause his glorious

voice to be heard, and shall shew the lighting down of his arm, with the indignation of his anger, and with the flame of a

devouring fire, with scattering. and tempest, and hailstones.

31. For through the voice of the LORD shall the

Assyrian be beaten

down, which smote with a rod.

32. And in every place where the grounded

staff shall pass, which the LORD shall lay upon him,

it shall be with tabrets

and harps: and in battles of shaking will he fight with it.

33. For Tophet is

ordained of old: yea. for the king it is prepared; he

hath made it deep and large:

the pile thereof is fire and much

wood; the breath of the LORD.

like a stream of brimstone.

doth kindle it.

CHAPTER 31

1. Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many: and in horsemen, because they are very strong;

but thev

look not unto the

Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!

2. Yet he also is wise, and will bring evil, and will not call back his words: but will arise

against the house of the evildoers, and against the help of

them that work iniquity.

3. Now the Egyptians are men, and not God; and their horses flesh, and not spirit.

When the LORD shall

stretch out his hand, both

he that helpeth shall fall. and he that is holpen

shall fall down, and they all shall fail together.

> 4. For thus hath the LORD spoken unto me. Like as the lion and the

young lion roaring on his prey, when a multitude of shepherds is called forth against him. he will not be afraid of their voice, nor abase himself for the noise of them; so shall the LOBD of hosts come down to fight for mount Zion, and for the hill thereof.

- 5. As birds flying, so will the LORD of hosts defend Jerusalem;
 - defending also he will deliver it.
- and passing over he will preserve it.
- 6. Turn ye unto him from whom the children of Israel have deeply revolted.
- 7. For in that day every man shall cast away
- his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which your own hands have made unto you for a sin.
- 8. Then shall the Assyrian fall with the sword, not of a mighty man; and the sword, not
- of a mean man.
- shall devour him:

but he shall flee from the sword, and his young men shall be discomfited.

- 9. And he shall pass over to his strong hold for
- fear, and his princes shall be afraid of the ensign.
- saith the LORD, whose fire
- is in Zion, and his furnace in Jerusalem.

CHAPTER 32

- Behold, a king shall reign in righteousness, and princes shall rule in judgment.
- 2. And a man shall be as an hiding place from the wind. and a covert from the tempest; as rivers of water in a dry place, as the shadow of a great rock in a weary land.
 - 3. And the eyes of them that see shall not be dim, and the ears of them that hear shall hearken
 - 4. The heart also of the rash

- shall understand knowledge, and the tongue of the
- stammerers shall be ready to speak plainly.
- 5. The vile person shall be no more called liberal, nor the churl said to be bountiful.
 - For the vile person
- will speak villany, and his heart will work injustiv, to practise hypocrisy, and to utter error against the LORD, to make empty the soul of the hungry, and he will cause the drink of the thirsty to fail.
- 7. The instruments also
- of the churl are evil; he deviseth wicked devices to destroy the poor with
- lying words, even when the needy speaketh right.
- 8. But the liberal deviseth liberal things; and by liberal things shall he stand.
- Rise up. ve women
- that are at ease: hear my voice, ve careless daughters: give ear unto my speech.
- 10. Many days and years shall ye be troubled. ve careless women:
- for the vintage shall fail, the gathering shall not come.
 - 11. Tremble, ve women that are at ease; be troubled, ye careless ones: strip you, and make you bare, and gird sackcloth upon vour loins.
 - 12. They shall lament for the teats, for the pleasant fields, for the fruitful vine.
- 13. Upon the land of my people shall come up
- thorns and briers; yea, upon all the houses of joy in the joyous city:
- 14. Because the palaces shall be forsaken:

the multitude of the city shall be left: the forts and towers shall be for dens for ever, a joy of wild asses, a pasture of flocks:

- 15. Until the spirit be
- poured upon us from on
 - high, and the wilderness be a

fruitful field, and the fruitful field be counted for a forest.

16. Then judgment shall dwell in the wilderness,

and righteousness remain

in the fruitful field.

17. And the work of righteousness shall be

peace; and the effect of righteousness quietness and assurance for ever.

18. And my people shall

dwell in a peaceable habitation, and in sure dwellings, and

in quiet resting places;

 When it shall hail, coming down on the forest; and the city shall be low in a low place.

20. Blessed *are* ye that sow beside all waters, that send forth *thither*

the feet of the ox and the ass.

CHAPTER 33

1. Woe to thee that spoilest, and thou wast not spoiled:

and dealest treacherously, and they dealt not treacherously with thee!

■ when thou shalt cease

to spoil, thou shalt be spoiled; and when

■ thou shall

make an end to deal

treacherously, they

shall deal treacherously with thee.

2. O LORD, be gracious

unto us; we have waited for thee:
be thou their arm every morning,

■ our salvation also

in the time of trouble.

3. At the noise of the tumult

the people fled; at the lifting up of thyself the nations

were scattered.

4. And your spoil shall be gathered *like* the gathering of the caterpiller: as the running to and fro of locusts shall he run upon them.

The LORD is exalted;for he dwelleth on high:

he hath filled Zion with judgment and
righteousness.
6. And wisdom and
knowledge shall be the stability of thy times, and
strength of salvation: the
fear of the LORD

is his treasure.

7. Behold, their valiant ones shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly.8. The highways lie waste, the wayfaring man ceaseth: he

wayfaring man ceaseth: he hath broken the covenant, he hoth despised the cities.

he regardeth no man.

The earth mourneth and languisheth: Lebanon is

ashamed and hewn down: Sharon is like a wilderness; and Bashan and Carmel shake off their fruits.

10. Now will I rise, saith the LORD; now will I be exalted; now will I lift up myself.

11. Ye shall conceive chaff, ye shall bring forth stubble: your breath, as fire, shall devour you.

12. And the people shall be as the burnings of lime: as thorns cut up shall they be burned in the fire

13. Hear, ye that are far off,
what I have done;
and, ye that are near.

acknowledge my might.

14. The sinners in Zion are afraid; fearfulness hath surprised the hypocrites. Who among us shall dwell with the devouring fire?

who among us shall dwell with everlasting burnings?

15. He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh

his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;

16. He shall dwell on

- high: his place of defence shall be the munitions of rocks:
- bread shall be given him: his waters
- shall be sure.
- 17. Thine eves shall see the king in his beauty:
- they shall behold the
- land that is very far off
 - 18. Thine heart shall meditate terror. Where is the scribe? where is the receiver? where is he that counted the towers? 19. Thou shalt not see a fierce people, a people of a deeper speech than thou canst perceive; of a stammering tongue, that thou canst not understand.
- 20. Look upon Zion. the city of our solemnities: thine eves shall see Jerusalem
- a quiet habitation, a tabernacle that shall not
 - be taken down: not one of the stakes thereof shall ever be removed, neither shall any of the cords thereof be broken.
- But there the glorious LORD will be unto us a place of broad rivers and streams: wherein shall go

no galley with oars. neither shall gallant

ship pass thereby. 22. For the LORD is our

iudae, the LORD is

our lawgiver, the LORD is our king; he will save us.

23. Thy tacklings are loosed; they could not well strengthen their mast. they could not spread the sail: then is the prey of a great spoil divided; the lame take the prev.

24. And the inhabitant shall not say. I am sick: the people that dwell therein

shall be forgiven *their* iniquity.

CHAPTER 34

I ■ I 1. Come near, ye nations,

- to hear: and hearken. ye people: let the earth hear, and all that is therein: the world. and all things that come forth of it.
- 2. For the indianation of the LORD is upon all nations. and his fury upon all their armies:
 - he hath utterly
- destroyed them. he hath delivered them to the slaughter.
 - Their slain also shall be cast out. and their stink shall come up out of their carcases, and the mountains shall be melted with their blood.
- And all the host of heaven shall be dissolved. and the heavens shall be
- rolled together as a scroll: and all their host shall fall down, as the leaf falleth off from the vine, and as a falling fig from the fig tree.
- 5. For my sword shall be bathed in heaven: behold.
- = it shall come down upon Idumea, and
- upon the people of my curse, to judament.
 - 6. The sword of the LORD is filled with blood, it is made fat with fatness, and with the blood of lambs and goats. with the fat of the kidneys of rams: for the LORD hath a sacrifice in Bozrah, and a great slaughter in the land of Idumea.
 - 7. And the unicorns shall come down with them, and the bullocks with the bulls:
- and their land shall be soaked with blood, and their dust made fat with fatness.
- 8. For it is the day of the LORD's vengeance, and the year of recompences for the controversy of Zion.
- 9. And the streams thereof shall be turned into pitch. and the dust thereof into brimstone.
- and the land thereof
- shall become
- burning pitch.
- 10. It shall not be
- quenched night nor day:
- the smoke thereof

shall go up for ever:

from generation to generation it shall lie waste:

none shall pass through it for ever and ever.

- 11 But the cormorant and the hittern. shall possess it: the owl also and the raven shall dwell in it: and he shall stretch out upon it the line of confusion, and the stones of emptiness.
- 12. They shall call
- the nobles thereof to the kingdom, but none
 - shall be there, and all her princes shall be nothing.
- 13. And thorns shall come up in her palaces, nettles and brambles in the fortresses thereof: and it shall be an habitation of dragons, and a court for owls.
- 14. The wild beasts of the desert shall also meet with the wild beasts of the island, and the satyr shall cry to his fellow; the screech owl also
- shall rest there, and find for herself a place of rest.
 - 15. There shall the great owl make her nest, and lay, and hatch, and gather under her shadow:
- there shall the vultures also be gathered. every one with her mate.
- 16. **Seek** ye
- Out of
- the book of the
- LORD, and read
- no one of these shall
- fail, none shall want her mate:
- for my mouth it hath
- commanded, and
- his spirit it
- hath gathered them.
- 17. And he hath cast the lot for them, and his hand hath
- divided it unto them by line:
- they shall possess it
 - for ever, from generation to generation shall they dwell therein.

CHAPTER 35

I■I 1. The wilderness and the

- solitary place shall be glad for them: and the desert shall reioice, and blossom
- as the rose.
- 2. It shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice even with joy and singing:
- the glory of Lebanon shall be given unto it, the excellency of
- Carmel and Sharon, they shall see the
 - glory of the LORD, and
 - the excellency
- of our God. 3. Strenathen ve
 - the weak hands.
- and confirm the
 - feeble knees.
 - 4. Say to them that are of a fearful heart.
- Be strong, fear not: behold, your
 - God will come with
- vengeance, even God with a recompence:
- he will come and
- save you. 5. Then the eyes of the
- blind shall be opened. and the ears of the deaf
- shall be unstopped.
 - Then shall the lame man leap as an hart,
- and the tongue of the
- dumb sing: for in the wilderness shall waters break out, and streams in the desert.
- 7. And the parched ground shall become a pool, and the thirsty land springs of water; in the habitation of dragons, where each lay,
- shall be grass with reeds and rushes. 8. And an highway shall be
- there, and a way, and it shall be called The way of holiness: the unclean shall not pass
 - over it; but it shall be for those: the wayfaring men, though fools, shall not err therein
 - 9. No lion shall be there, nor any ravenous beast shall go up thereon, it shall not be found there:
- but the redeemed shall walk there:
- And the ransomed

■ Lof the LORD shall return. and come to Zion

with songs and everlasting

■ joy upon their heads: they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

CHAPTER 36

1. Now it came to pass

in the fourteenth year of king Hezekigh, that

Sennacherib king of

Assyria came up

against all the defenced cities of

Judah, and took them.

2. And the king of Assyria

sent Rabshakeh from Lachish to Jerusalem unto king Hezekiah

with a great army. And he stood by the conduit of the upper pool

in the highway of the fuller's field. Then came forth unto him Eliakim.

Hilkiah's son, which was over the house, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah, Asaph's son, the recorder.

4. And Rabshakeh said unto them, Say ve now

to Hezekiah. Thus saith the great king, the king of Assyria, What confidence is this wherein thou trustest?

5. I say, sayest thou, (but thev are but vain words)

I have counsel and strength for war: now

on whom dost thou trust. that thou rebellest against me?

6. Lo. thou trustest in

the staff of this broken reed, on Egypt; whereon if a man lean,

it will go into his hand, and pierce it: so is Pharaoh king of Egypt to all that trust in him.

7. But if thou say to me,

We trust in the LORD our God:

is it not he, whose high places and

whose altars Hezekiah hath taken away, and

said to Judah and to ■ Jerusalem, Ye shall

worship before this altar?

Now therefore

give pledges, I pray thee,

to my master.

the king of Assyria, and I will give thee two thousand

horses, if thou be

able on thy part

to set riders upon them.

How then wilt thou

turn away the face of one captain of the least of

my master's servants, and put thy trust on Egypt

for chariots and for horsemen?

10. And am I now come up without the LORD against this land to destroy it?

the LORD said unto me, Go up against this land, and destroy it.

11. Then said Eliakim and Shebna and Joah unto

Rabshakeh, Speak, I pray thee,

unto thy servants in the Syrian language; for we understand it: and speak

not to us in the Jews' language, in the ears of the people that are on the wall.

12. But Rabshakeh said, Hath my master sent me to thy master and to thee to speak these words? hath he not sent me to the men that sit upon the wall, that they may eat their own dung, and drink their own piss with you?

Then Rabshakeh stood. and cried with a loud voice

in the Jews'

language, and said.

Hear ve

the words of the great king, the

king of Assyria. 14. Thus saith the king,

Let not Hezekiah deceive

you: for he shall not be able to deliver you.

15. **Neither let Hezekiah**

make you trust in the LORD, saying, The LORD will surely

deliver us: this city shall not be delivered into the hand of the king of Assyria.

Hearken not to Hezekiah: for thus saith the king of Assyria,

Make an agreement with me by a present, and come out to me:

and eat ve

every one of his vine.

and every one of his

fig tree, and drink ve every one the waters of his own distern:

17. Until I come and

take you away

to a land like your

OWN land, a land of corn and wine. a land of bread and vinevards.

18. Beware lest Hezekiah persuade you, saving, the LORD will deliver us.

Hath any of the

gods of the nations delivered his land out of the hand of the

king of Assyria?

19. Where are the gods of Hamath and Arphad? where are the gods of Sepharvaim? and have they delivered Samaria out of my hand? 20. Who are they among all the gods of these lands, that have delivered their land out of my hand, that the LORD should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?

21. But they held their

Deace, and answered him not a word:

for the king's

commandment was, saying,

Answer him not.

22. Then came Eliakim. the son of Hilkiah, that was

over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and Joah. the son of Asaph, the recorder.

to Hezekiah with their clothes rent.

and told him the words

of Rabshakeh.

CHAPTER 37

■ I 1. And it came to pass,

when king Hezekiah

■ heard it, that

he rent his clothes, and

covered himself with

■ sackcloth, and went into

the house of the LORD.

2 And he sent Eliakim, who was over the household, and Shebna the scribe, and the elders of the priests covered with sackcloth.

unto Isaiah the

prophet the son of Amoz.

3. And they said unto him

Thus saith Hezekiah.

This day

is a day of trouble, and of rebuke, and of blasphemy; for the children are come to the birth, and there is not strength to bring forth.

4. It may be the LORD thy God will hear the words of

Rabshakeh, whom the king of Assvria his master hath sent to reproach the living God, and will reprove the words which the LORD thy God hath heard: wherefore lift up thy

prayer for the remnant that is left. 5. So the servants of kina Hezekiah came to Isaiah.

6. And Isaiah said unto them. Thus shall ve say unto your master.

Thus saith the LORD. Be not afraid of the words that thou hast heard, wherewith the servants of the king of Assyria have blasphemed me.

7. **Behold**, I will send a blast upon him, and

he shall hear a rumour. and return to his own

land; and I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own land.

So Rabshakeh returned. and found the king of

Assyria warring against Libnah: for he had heard that 9

he was departed from Lachish.

9. And he heard say

concerning Tirhakah king of

Ethiopia, He

is come forth to

make war with thee.

And when he heard it.

he sent messengers to

Hezekiah, saying,

10. Thus shall ye speak to Hezekiah king of Judah, saying,

Let not thy God.

in whom thou trustest,
deceive thee, saying,
Jerusalem shall not
be given into the
hand of the king of
Assyria.

11. Behold, thou hast heard what the kings of Assyria have done to all lands by destroying them utterly; and shalt thou be delivered?

12. Have the gods of the nations

12. Have the gods of the nations delivered them which my fathers have destroyed, as Gozan, and Haran, and Rezeph, and the children of Eden which were in Telassar?

13. Where is the king of Hamath, and the king of Arphad, and the king of the city of Sepharvaim, Hena, and Ivah?

14. And Hezekiah received the letter from the hand of the messengers, and read it:

and Hezekiah

went up unto the house
of the LORD, and spread
it before the LORD.
15 And Hezekigh prayed

15. And Hezekiah prayed unto the LORD, saying.

16. **O LORD** of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest between the cherubims,

thou art the
God, even thou alone,
of all the kingdoms
of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.
17. Incline thine ear, O LORD.

 Incline thine ear, O LORD, and hear; open thine eyes, O LORD, and see: and

■ hear all

■ the words of

Sennacherib, which hath

sent to reproach the living God.

■ 18. Of a fruth, LORD, the kings of Assyria have

■ laid waste all the

nations, and their countries,

19. And have cast their gods into the fire: for they *were* no gods, but the work of men's hands, wood and stone: therefore they have destroyed them.

20. **Now** therefore,

O LORD our God,

I save us from his hand.

■ | that all

the kingdoms of the earth may know that thou art

■ the LORD, even thou only.

21. Then Isaiah the son of Amoz sent unto Hezekiah.

sent unto Hezekiah, saying, Thus saith the

■ LORD God of Israel,

Whereas thou hast prayed
 to me against Sennacherib
 king of Assyria:

■ 22. This is the word which the LORD hath spoken

concerning him; The virgin, the daughter of

Zion, hath despised thee, and laughed thee to scorn;

the daughter of

Jerusalem hath shaken her head at thee.

23. Whom hast thou reproached and blasphemed? and

against whom hast thou exalted thy voice, and lifted up thine eyes on high?

even against theHoly One of Israel.

24. By thy servants hast thou reproached the Lord, and hast said, By the multitude of my chariots am I come up to the height of the mountains, to the sides of Lebanon; and I will cut down the tall cedars thereof, and the choice fir trees thereof: and I will enter into the height of his border, and theforest of his Carmel.

25. I have digged, and drunk water; and with the sole of my feet have I dried up all the rivers of the besieged places.

26. Hast thou not heard long ago, how I have done it; and of ancient times, that I have formed it? now have I brought it to pass, that thou shouldest be to lay waste defenced cities into ruinous heaps.

27. Therefore their inhabitants were of small power, they were dismayed and confounded: they were as the grass of the field, and as the green herb, as the

grass on the housetops, and as corn blasted before it be grown up.

28. But I know thy abode, and thy going out, and thy coming in, and thy

rage against me.

29. Because thy rage against me, and thy tumult, is come up into mine ears.

therefore will I put my hook in thy nose, and my bridle in thy lips, and I

will turn thee back by the way by which

thou camest.

30. And this shall be a

sign unto thee. Ye shall eat this year such as groweth of itself; and the second year that which springeth of the same; and

in the third year sow ve. and reap, and plant vineyards, and eat the fruit thereof.

31. And

the remnant that is escaped of the house

of Judah shall again

take root downward. and bear fruit upward:

> 32. For out of Jerusalem shall go forth a remnant, and

they that escape out of

mount Zion: the zeal of the LORD of hosts

shall do this.

33. Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the king

of Assyria, He shall not come into this city, nor shoot an arrow there, nor come before it with shields, nor cast a bank against it. 34. By the way that he came, by the

same shall he return, and shall not come into this city, saith the LORD.

35. For I will defend

■ I this city to save it

for mine own sake, and for my servant David's sake.

■ 36. Then the angel of the LORD went forth,

and smote in

the camp of the Assyrians

a hundred and fourscore

and five thousand:

and when they arose early in the morning. behold, they were all dead corpses.

37. So Sennacherib kina of Assyria departed, and

went and returned.

and dwelt at Nineveh.

38. And it came to pass,

as he was worshipping in the house of

Nisroch his god, that Adrammelech and Sharezer

his sons smote him with

the sword: and they escaped into the land of Armenia:

and Esarhaddon his son reigned in his stead.

CHAPTER 38

1. In those days was Hezekiah sick unto

death. And Isaiah the prophet the son of Amoz came unto him.

and said unto him.

Thus saith the LORD. Set thine house in order: for

thou shalt die, and not live. 2. Then Hezekiah turned his face toward the wall, and

prayed unto the LORD. And said, Remember

now, O LORD, I beseech thee. how I have walked before thee in truth and with a

perfect heart, and have done that which is good in thy sight.

And Hezekiah wept sore.

Then came the word of the LORD to Isaiah, saying,

5. Go, and say to

Hezekiah, Thus saith the LORD, the God of David thy father.

I have heard thy prayer,

I have seen thy tears: behold,

I will add unto thy

days fifteen years.

6. And I will deliver

thee and this city

out of the hand of the king of

Assyria: and I will defend this city.

- 7. And this shall be a sign unto thee from the LORD, that the LORD will do this thing that he hath spoken;
- 8. **Behold, I will bring** again the shadow of the
 degrees, which is gone down in
- the sun dial of Ahaz,
- ten degrees backward.
 So the sun returned ten
- degrees, by which degrees it was gone down.
- 9. The writing of
- Hezekiah king of Judah,
- when he had been sick, and was
- recovered of his sickness:

 10. I said in the cutting off
- of my days, I shall go to the gates of the grave: I am deprived of the residue of my years.
 - 11. I said,
- I shall not see the
- LORD, even the LORD, in the land of the living:

I shall behold man no more with the inhabitants of the world.

- 12. **Mine age is departed**, and is removed from me as a shepherd's tent: I have cut off like a weaver my life: he will cut me off with pining sickness: from day *even* to night wilt thou make an end of me.
 - 13. I reckoned till morning, that, as a lion, so will he break all my bones: from day even to night wilt thou make an end of me.
 - 14. Like a crane *or* a swallow, so did I chatter: I did mourn as a dove: mine eyes fail *with looking* upward:
- O LORD, I am oppressed;undertake for me.
- 15. What shall I say? he
- hath both spoken unto me, and himself hath
- done it. I shall go softly all my years in the bitterness of my soul.
- 16. O LORD, by these things men live, and in all these things is the life of my spirit: so wilt thou recover me, and
- make me to live.
 - 17. Behold, for peace I had great bitterness: but

- thou hast in love to my soul *delivered it* from the pit of corruption: for thou hast cast all my sins behind thy back.
 - 18. For the grave cannot praise thee, death can *not* celebrate thee:
- they that go down into the pit cannot hope
- for thy truth.
- 19. The living, the living, he shall praise thee, as I
- **do this day:** the father to the children shall make known thy truth.
- 20. The LORD was ready to save me: therefore we will sing my songs to the stringed instruments

my songs to the stringed instruments all the days of our life in the house of the LORD.

- 1 21. For Isgiah had
- said. Let them
- take a lump of
- figs, and lay it
- for a plaster upon the boil, and he shall recover.
 - 22. Hezekiah also had said, What is the sign that I shall go up to the house of the LORD?

CHAPTER 39

- 1 1. At that time
 - Merodach-baladan,
 - the son of Baladan, king of Babylon,
- king of Babylon,
 sent letters and a present
- sent leπers and a present to Hezekiah: for he had
- heard that he had
- been sick, and was
- recovered.
- 2. And Hezekiah was
- glad of them,
- and shewed them the house of his precious things, the silver, and the gold, and the spices, and the precious ointment, and all the house of his armour, and all that was found in his treasures: there was nothing in his house, nor in all his dominion.
- 3. **Then came Isaiah** the prophet unto king Hezekiah,
- and said unto him,
- What said these men? and

that Hezekiah shewed them not.

from whence came they unto thee? And Hezekiah said.

- They are come from a far country unto me, even
- from Babylon. 4. Then said he.
- What have they seen in thine house?
- And Hezekiah answered.
- All that is in mine house have they seen: there is nothing among
 - my freasures that I have not shewed them
 - 5. Then said Isaiah to Hezekiah.
- Hear the word of
- the LORD of hosts:
- 6. Behold, the days come, that all that is in thine
- house, and that which thy fathers
- have laid up in store until this day,
- shall be carried to Babylon: nothing shall
- be left, saith the LOBD.
- 7. **And** of
- thy sons that shall issue from thee, which thou shalt beget.
- shall they take away;
- and they shall be eunuchs in the palace of the king of Babylon.
- 8. Then said
- Hezekiah to Isaiah.
- Good is the word of
- I the LORD which thou hast spoken. He said moreover
- For there shall be
- **Deace** and truth
- in my days.

CHAPTER 40

- 1. Comfort ye, comfort ye my people, saith your God.
 - 2. Speak ye comfortably to Jerusalem, and cry unto her. that her warfare is accomplished.
- that her iniquity is ■ pardoned: for she hath
- received of the LORD's hand
- double for all her sins
- 3. The voice of him that
- crieth in the wilderness. Prepare ye the way of the
- LORD, make straight

in the desert.

a highway for our God.

- 4. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain:
- 5. And the glory of the LORD shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.
- 6. The voice said, Crv. And he said. What shall I cry?
 - All flesh is grass, and all the goodliness thereof is as the flower of the field: The grass withereth. the flower fadeth: because the spirit of the LORD bloweth upon it: surely the people is grass.
- 8. The grass withereth, the flower fadeth:
- but the word of our God shall stand for ever.
 - O Zion, that bringest good tidings. get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up. be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God!
- 10. Behold, the Lord GOD will come with strong hand.
- and his arm shall rule for him: behold.
- his reward is with him. and his work before him.
- 11. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd: he shall gather the lambs with his arm. and carry them in his bosom,
- and shall gently lead those that are with young.
- 12. Who hath measured
- the waters in the hollow of his hand.
- and meted out
- heaven with the span. and comprehended
- the dust of the earth
- in a measure, and weighed the mountains in scales, and
- the hills in a balance?
- 13. Who hath directed the
 - Spirit of the LORD, or being

his counsellor hath taught him? 14. With whom took he counsel, and who instructed him. and taught him in the path of judgment, and taught him knowledge, and shewed to him the way of understanding?

15. Behold, the nations are as a drop of a bucket, and are counted as the small dust of the balance: behold, he taketh up the isles as a very little thing. 16. And Lebanon is not sufficient to burn, nor the beasts thereof sufficient for a burnt offering.

17. All nations before him are as nothina: and they are counted to him less than nothing, and vanity.

18. To whom then will ye liken God? or what likeness will ye

compare unto him?

19. The workman melteth a graven image, and the goldsmith spreadeth it over with gold. and casteth silver chains. 20. He that is so impoverished that he hath no oblation chooseth a tree that will not rot: he seeketh unto him a cunning workman to prepare a graven image, that shall not be moved.

21. Have ve not known? have ve not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from the foundations of the earth?

22. It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as arasshoppers:

> that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in:

23. **That bringeth** the princes to nothing;

he maketh the judges of the earth as vanity.

24. Yea, they shall not be planted; yea, they shall not be sown: yea, their stock shall not take root in the earth: and he shall also blow upon them, and they shall wither, and the whirlwind

shall take them away as stubble. 25. To whom then will ve

liken me, or shall I be eaual? saith the Holy One.

26. Lift up your eyes on high, and behold

who hath created these thinas, that bringeth out

their host by number: he calleth them all by names

by the greatness of his might. for that he is strong in power:

not one faileth.

27. Why savest thou, O Jacob, and speakest, O Israel,

My way is hid from the LORD, and my judgment is

passed over from my God?

28. Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard

that the everlastina

God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth.

fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no

searchina of his understandina.

29. He giveth power to the faint: and to them that have no might he increaseth strength.

30. Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and

the young men shall utterly fall: 31. But they that wait

upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings

as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they

shall walk, and

■ I not faint.

CHAPTER 41

1. Keep silence

before me, O islands;

and let the people renew

their strength: let them come near: then let them speak:

let us come near

together to judgment.

2. Who raised up the

righteous man

from the east, called him to his

foot, gave the nations before him,

- and made him rule
- over kings? he gave them as the dust to his sword, and as driven stubble to his bow.
 - He pursued them, and passed safely: even by the way that he had not gone with his feet.
 - 4. Who hath wrought and done *it*, calling the generations from the beginning?
 - I the LORD, the first, and with the last; I
 - am he.
- \blacksquare 5. The isles saw it, and
- feared; the ends of the earth were afraid, drew near, and came.
- 6. They helped every one his neighbour; and every one said to his brother.
 Be of good courage.
 - 7. So the carpenter encouraged the goldsmith, and he that smootheth with the hammer him that smote the anvil, saying, It is ready for the soldering: and he lastened it with nails, that it should not be moved.
- 8. But thou, Israel, art
 my servant, Jacob
 whom I have chosen,
 the seed of Abraham
 my friend.
 - Thou whom I have taken from the ends of the earth, and called thee from the chief men thereof, and said unto thee, Thou art my servant; I have chosen thee, and not cast thee away.
- 10. Fear thou
- not; for I am with thee:

be not dismayed; for

- I am thy God: I will strengthen thee; yea.
- will help thee; yea,
- I will uphold thee
- With the right hand of
- my righteousness.

 11. Behold, all they that
- were incensed against thee shall be ashamed
- and confounded:
- they shall be as nothing; and they that strive with thee shall perish.
- 12. Thou shalt seek

them, and shalt not find them, even them that contended with thee:

- they that war against thee shall be as nothing, and as a thing of nought.
 - 13. For I the LORD thy God will hold thy right hand, saying unto thee, Fear not; I
- will help thee.

 14. Fear not, thou worm
 - Jacob, and ye men of Israel: I will help thee.
- Israel; I will help thsaith the LORD, and
- thy redeemer, the Holy One of Israel.
- 15. Behold, I will make thee
- a new sharp
 threshing instrument
- having teeth: thou shaltthresh the mountains,
- and beat them small,
 - as chaff.
 - 16. Thou shalt fan them,
- and the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall
 scatter them: and thou
- scarrer mem: and mou
 shalt rejoice in the
 LORD, and shalt glory in
 - LORD, and shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

 17. When the poor and needy
- seek water, and there
 is none, and their tongue
 - is none, and their tongue faileth for thirst, I
 - the LORD will hear them, / the God of Israel will not forsake them.
- 18. I will open rivers in high places,
- and fountains
- in the midst of the valleys: I will
- make the wilderness a pool of water, and the dry land springs of water.
- 19. I will plant in
- the wilderness the cedar, the shittah tree, and the myrtle, and the oil tree; I will set in the desert the fir tree, and the pine, and the box tree together:
 - 20. That they may see, and know, and consider, and understand together,

- I that the hand of the LORD hath done this, and the Holy One of Israel hath created it. 21. Produce your cause, saith the LORD: bring forth your strong reasons.
- saith the King of Jacob. 22. Let them bring them forth, and
- shew us what shall happen: let them shew the former things, what they be.
- that we may consider them, and know the latter end of them: or declare us things for to come.
- 23. Shew the things that ■ are to come hereafter,
- that we may know that ye are gods: yea, do good, or do evil, that we may be dismayed, and behold it together.
- 24. Behold, ye are of **nothing**, and your work of nought: an abomination is he
- that chooseth you. 25. I have raised up one from the north, and he
- shall come: from the rising of the sun shall he
- call upon my name: and he shall come upon princes as upon morter, and as the potter treadeth clay.
- 26. Who hath declared from ■ the beginning, that we may
- know? and beforetime, that we may say, He is righteous? yea, there is none that sheweth, yea,
- | there is none that ■ declareth, yea, there is none that heareth your words.
 - 27. The first shall say to Zion, Behold, behold them: and
- I will give to Jerusalem one ■ that bringeth good tidings. 28. For I beheld, and
- I there was no man; even **among them,** and
 - there was no counsellor.
- I that. when I asked of them, could answer a word.
- 29. Behold, they are all vanity;
- their works are nothing:

- I their molten
- images are wind and
- confusion.

CHAPTER 42

- 1. Behold my servant. whom I uphold:
- mine elect, in whom my soul delighteth; I have put my spirit upon him:
- he shall bring forth judament to the Gentiles.
- He shall not crv. nor lift up, nor cause his voice to be heard in the street.
- 3. A bruised reed shall he **not break**, and the smoking flax shall he not quench: he shall bring forth judament unto truth.
- 4. He shall not fail nor be discouraged.
- till he have set judgment in the earth; and the isles. shall wait for his law.
- 5. Thus saith God
- the LORD, he that created the heavens, and stretched them out:
- he that spread forth the earth, and that which cometh out of it: he that
- giveth breath unto the people upon it, and spirit to them that walk therein:
- 6. I the LORD have called thee in righteousness,
- and will hold thine hand.
- and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people.
- for a light of the Gentiles:
 - 7. To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house.
- I am the LORD:
- that is my name:
- and my glory will I not give to another, neither my
- praise to graven images.
- 9. **Behold,** the former things are come to pass, and
- new things do I declare: before they spring forth

I tell you of them.

■ 10. Sing unto the LORD a new song. and

his praise from the end of the earth, ye that go down to the sea, and all that is therein; the isles, and the inhabitants thereof.

11. Let the wilderness and the cities thereof lift up *their voice*, the villages *that* Kedar doth inhabit: let the inhabitants of the rock sing, let them shout from the top of the mountains.

■ 12. Let them give glory unto the LORD, and declare

his praise in the islands.

forth as a mighty man, he shall stir up jealousy

like a man of war:

he shall cry, yea, roar;

he shall prevail againsthis enemies.

14. I have long time holden my peace: I have been still.

and refrained myself:

a travailing woman;

I will destroy and devour at once.

15. I will make waste mountains and hills, and dry up all their herbs; and I will make the rivers islands, and I will dry up the pools.

16. And I will bring the blind by a way that they knew not: I will lead them

in paths that they have
 not known: I will make
 darkness light before them.

and crooked things straight.
These things will
I do unto them.

and not forsake them.

17. They shall be turned back, they shall be greatly

ashamed, that trust in graven images, that say to the molten images, Ye are our gods.

18. Hear, ye deaf; and look, ye blind, that ye may see.

19. Who is blind, but my servant? or deaf, as my messenger that sent? who is blind as he that is perf

ect, and blind as the LORD's servant? 20. Seeing many things, but thou observest not; opening the ears, but he heareth not.

21. The LORD is well
 pleased for his
 righteousness' sake;

he will magnify the law,
 and make it honourable.

■ 22. But this is a people robbed and spoiled:

they are all of them snared in holes, and they are hid in prison houses: they are for a prey,

and none delivereth; for a spoil, and none saith, Restore.
23. Who among you will give ear to this?

who will hearken andhear for the time to come?

■ 24. Who gave

Jacob for a spoil,
and Israel to the robbers?
did not the LORD.

he against whom we have sinned?

for they would not walk in his ways, neither were

they obedient unto his law.

25. **Therefore he** hath

poured upon him the fury of

his anger, and the strength of battle: and it hath set him on fire round about, yet he knew not; and it burned him, yet he laid it not to heart.

CHAPTER 43

1 1. But now thus.

saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel.

Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called *thee* by thy name;

■ thou *art* mine.

When thou passest through the waters,

I will be with thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee:

when thou walkest

through the fire, thou

shalf not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

- 3. For I am the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel,
- thy Saviour: I gave Egypt for thy ransom, Ethiopia and Seba for thee.

 4. Since thou wast
- 4. Since thou wast precious in my sight,
 - thou hast been honourable, and
 I have loved thee: therefore
- I have loved thee: therefore
- will I give men for thee, and people for thy life.
- 5. Fear not: for I am with thee: I will bring thy seed
- from the east, and gather thee from the
- west:
- 6. I will say to the north, Give up; and to the south, Keep not back:
- bring my sons from far,
- and my
- daughters from the ends of the earth;
 - 7. Even every one that is called by my name: for I have created him for my glory, I have formed him; yea, I have made him.
 8. Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears.
- 9. Let all the nations be gathered together,
- and let
- the people be assembled:
 who among them can
 declare this, and shew us
 - former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, *It is* truth.
- 10. Ye are my witnesses,
 saith the LORD, and my servant
 whom I have chosen: that
 ye may know and believe
- **me**, and understand that I am he:
- before me there was
- no God formed,
- neither shall there be after me.
 - 11. I, even I, am the LORD;
- and beside me *there* is no saviour.
 - 12. I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you:

- therefore ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I *am* God.
- 13. Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is
- none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it?
- 14. Thus saith the LORD, your redeemer, the Holy One of Israel;
- For your sake I have sent to Babylon, and have
- brought down
- all their nobles, and the Chaldeans,
- whose cry is in the ships.
 - 15. I am the LORD, your Holy One, the creator of Israel, your King.
 - 16. Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters;
 - 17. Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.
- 18. Remember ye not the former things, neither consider the things of old.
- 19. Behold, I will do a new thing; now it shall spring forth; shall ye not know it?
- I will even make a way in the wilderness, and rivers in the desert.
 - 20. **The beast** of the field **shall honour me,** the dragons and the owls:
- because I give waters
 in the wilderness, and
 rivers in the desert, to give drink
 to my people, my chosen.
- 21. **This people** have I formed for myself; they
- shall shew forth my praise.
- 22. But thou hast not called upon me, O Jacob; but
- thou hast been weary of me. O Israel.
- 23. Thou hast not brought me the small cattle of
- thy burnt offerings; neither
 - hast thou honoured me with

- thy sacrifices. I have not caused thee to serve with an offering, nor wearied thee with incense.
 - 24. Thou hast bought me no sweet cane with money, neither hast thou filled me with the fat of thy sacrifices:
- **but thou hast** made me to serve with thy sins, thou hast
- wearied me with thine iniquities.

- 25. I, even I, am he that
- blotteth out thy
- transgressions
- for mine own sake,
- and will not remember thy sins.
 - 26. Put me in remembrance: let us plead together: declare thou, that thou mayest be justified.
- 27. **Thy** first
- father hath sinned.
- and thy
- teachers have
- transgressed against me.
- 28. **Therefore I** have profaned the princes of the sanctuary, and
- have given Jacob to the curse, and Israel to reproaches.

CHAPTER 44

- 1. Yet now hear, o
- Jacob my servant:
- and Israel, whom
- I have chosen:
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD that made thee, and formed thee from the womb, which will help thee; Fear not, O Jacob, my servant; and thou, Jesurun, whom I have chosen.
- 3. For I will pour water upon him that is thirsty, and floods upon the dry ground: I will pour
- my spirit upon thy seed, and my blessing upon thine offspring:
- 4. And they shall spring up as among the grass, as willows by the water courses.
- 5. One shall say, I am the
 LORD's; and another shall
- call himself by the nameof Jacob; and another

shall subscribe with his hand

unto the LORD, and surname himself by the name of

Israel.

■ 6. Thus saith the

LORD the King of Israel, and his redeemer the LORD of hosts;

- I am the first, and I am
- the last; and
- beside me *there is* no God.
- 7. And who, as I, shall call, and shall declare it, and
 - shall declare it, and
- set it in order
- for me, since I appointed the ancient people? and the things that are
- the things that are coming and
- coming, andshall come.
 - shall come, let them shew unto them.
 - 8. **Fear** ye

■ **not**, neither be afraid:

have not I told thee from that time, and have declared it?

- ve are even
- my witnesses. Is there a God beside me? yea, there is no God; I know not any.
- 9. They that make a graven image are all of them vanity;
- and their delectable things

 shall not profit; and they

are their own witnesses;

- they see not, nor know; that they may be ashamed.
- 10. Who hath formed a god, or molten a graven image *that* is profitable for nothing?
- 11. Behold, all his fellows shall be ashamed: and the workmen, they are of men: let them
- all be gathered together, let them stand up; yet they shall fear, and they shall be ashamed together.
- 12. The smith with the tongs both
 worketh in the coals, and
 fashioneth it with hammers,

and worketh it with the strength of his arms: yea, he is hungry, and his strength faileth: he drinketh no water, and is faint.

- 13. **The carpenter** stretcheth out *his* rule; he marketh it out with a line; he
- fitteth it with planes,

- and he marketh it out with the compass, and maketh it after the figure of a man, according to the beauty of a man: that it may remain in the house.
- 14 He heweth him down cedars, and taketh the
- **E** cypress and the oak, which he strengtheneth for himself among the trees of the forest: he planteth an ash. and the rain doth nourish it. 15. Then shall it be for a man to burn: for he will take thereof, and warm himself; yea, he kindleth it, and baketh bread; yea, he maketh a god, and worshippeth it, he maketh
- down thereto. 16. He burneth part thereof in the fire; with part thereof he eateth flesh; he roasteth roast. and is satisfied: yea,

it a graven image, and falleth

- he warmeth himself, and saith. Aha, I am warm, I have seen the fire:
- 17. And the residue thereof he maketh a god, even his graven image: he falleth down unto it, and worshippeth it.
- and prayeth unto it. and saith, Deliver me; for thou art my god.
 - 18. They have not known nor understood:
- for he hath shut their eyes, that they cannot see; and their hearts, that they cannot understand, 19. And none considereth in his heart. neither is there knowledge nor understanding to say, I have burned part of it

in the fire; yea, also I have baked bread upon the coals thereof; I have roasted flesh, and eaten it: and shall I make the residue thereof an abomination? shall I fall down to the stock of a tree? 20. He feedeth on ashes:

a deceived heart hath ■ turned him aside, that he cannot deliver his soul, nor

say, Is there not a lie in my right hand?

- 21. Remember these. O Jacob and Israel; for thou art my servant:
- I have formed thee: thou art my servant: O Israel. thou shalt not be forgotten of me. 22. I have blotted out.
- as a thick cloud, thy transgressions, and, as a cloud.
- thy sins: return unto me; for I have redeemed thee.
 - Sing, O ye heavens; for the LORD hath done it. shout, ve lower parts of the earth; break forth into singing, ye mountains, O forest, and every tree therein:
- for the LORD hath redeemed Jacob,
- and alorified himself in Israel.
- 24. Thus saith the
- LORD, thy redeemer, and
- he that formed thee from
- the womb. I am the LORD that maketh all things:

that stretcheth forth the heavens alone: that spreadeth abroad the earth by myself;

- 25. That frustrateth the tokens of the liars, and maketh diviners mad; that turneth wise men backward, and maketh their knowledge foolish:
- 26. That confirmeth the word of his servant. and performeth the counsel of his messengers:
- that saith to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be inhabited: and to the cities of Judah. Ye.

shall be built, and I will raise up the decayed places thereof:

- 27 That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I
- will dry up thy rivers: 28. That saith of Cyrus. He is my shepherd, and
- shall perform all
- my pleasure: even savina to Jerusalem.
- Thou shalt be built:
- and to the temple.
- Thy foundation shall l∎l be laid.

CHAPTER 45

- 1 Thus saith the LORD to his
- anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him: and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;
- 2. I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight: I will break in pieces the gates of brass, and cut in sunder the bars of iron:
- 3. And I will give thee the treasures of darkness, and
- hidden riches of secret
- places, that thou mayest
- know that I, the LORD, which call thee by thy name,
- am the God of Israel.
- 4. For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine
- elect. I have even called thee by thy name: I have
 - surnamed thee.
- though thou hast not known me.
- 5. Lam the LOBD, and there is: none else, there is no God beside me:
- I girded thee, though thou hast not known me:
 - 6. That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me.
 - I am the LORD, and there is none else.
 - 7. I form the light, and create darkness:

I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.

8. Drop down, ye

heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down

righteousness: let the

earth open, and let them bring forth salvation, and

let righteousness spring up together: I the LORD have created it.

9. Woe unto him that striveth with his Makerl

Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth. Shall the clay say to him that fashioneth it. What makest thou? or thy work.

He hath no hands?

10. Woe unto him that saith unto his father. What begettest thou? or to the woman. What hast thou brought forth? 11. Thus saith the LORD, the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to

come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

I have made the earth, and created man upon it:

I, even my hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded. 13. I have raised him up in

righteousness. and I

will direct all his ways: he shall build my

city, and he

shall let go my captives, not for price nor reward,

saith the LORD of hosts.

14 Thus saith the LORD The labour of

Egypt.

and merchandise of

Ethiopia and of the Sabeans.

men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they

shall be thine: they shall come after thee: in

chains they shall come over.

and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee. saying, Surely God is in

thee: and there is none else, there is no God.

15. Verily thou art a God that hidest thyself. O God of Israel, the Saviour,

16. They shall be ashamed, and also

confounded, all of them: they shall go to confusion together

that are makers of idols.

17. But Israel shall be

saved in the LORD with an everlasting salvation: ye shall not be ashamed nor confounded world without end

18. For thus saith the LORD that created the heavens; God himself that formed the earth and made it; he hath established it, he created it not in vain, he formed it to be inhabited: I am the LORD: and there is none else.

19. I have not spoken in secret, in a dark place of the earth:
 I said not unto the seed of Jacob, Seek ye me in vain:

I the LORD speak righteousness, I declare things that

■ I declare are right.

20. Assemble yourselves and come; draw near together,

ye that are escaped of the nations: they have no knowledge that set up the wood of

their graven image, and pray unto a god that cannot save.

21. Tell ye, and bring them near; yea, let them take counsel together: who hath declared this from ancient time? who hath told it from that time? have not I the LORD? and there is no God else beside me; a just God and a Saviour; there is none beside me.

22. Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth; for I am God.

and there is none else.

23. I have sworn by myself,

the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return.

■ That unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear.

24. Surely, shall one say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed.

25. In the LORD shall

■ all the seed of

I Israel be justified,
I and shall glory.

CHAPTER 46

1. Bel boweth down,Nebo stoopeth, their

■ idols were upon the

beasts, and upon the cattle: your carriages were heavy loaden;

they are a burden to the weary beast.

2. They stoop, they bow down together;

they could not deliver
the burden, but themselves
are gone into captivity.

3. **Hearken unto me**,
O house of Jacob, and all the remnant of the house of Israel, which are borne by me from the belly, which are carried from the womb:

4. And even to your old age I am he; and even to hoar hairs will I carry you: I have made, and I will bear; even

■ I will carry, and will deliver you.

5. To whom will ye liken me, and make *me* equal, and

me, and make *me* equal, and compare me, that we may be like?

6. They lavish gold out of the bag,

and weigh silver in the balance,
and hire a goldsmith; and
he maketh it a god: they fall

down, yea, they worship.
7. **They bear him upon the**

7. They bear him upon the shoulder, they carry him, and set him in his place, and he standeth; from his place shall he not remove: yea,

one shall cry unto him, yet can he not answer, nor save him out of his trouble.

8. Remember this, and shew yourselves men: bring it again to mind, O ye transgressors.
9. Remember the former things of old: for

■ I am God, and there is none else: I am God.

and there is none like me,

10. Declaring the end from

10. **Declaring the end from the beginning**, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done,

saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my

| pleasure:

11. Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea. I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.

ı l 12. Hearken unto

■ me, ye stouthearted,

that *are* far from righteousness:

■ 13. I bring near my

righteousness; it shall not be far off, and my salvation shall not tarry:

and I will place salvationin Zion for Israel my glory.

CHAPTER 47

1. Come down, and sit in the dust, O virgin daughter
 of Babylon, sit on the ground:

there is no throne,O daughter of the

■ Chaldeans: for

thou shalt no more be

called tender and

■ delicate.

2. Take the millstones, and

grind meal: uncover thy locks.
make bare the lea.

uncover the thigh.

pass over the rivers.

3. Thy nakedness

shall be uncovered.

yea, thy shame shall be seen: I will take vengeance, and

■ Seen: I will take vengeance, and ■ I will not meet thee as a

man.

■ 4. As for our redeemer,

■ the LORD of hosts

is his name, the Holy

One of Israel.

5. Sit thou

silent, and get thee into darkness,

O daughter of the

Chaldeans: for thou shalt no more be called, The

lady of kingdoms.

6. I was wroth with my people, I have

polluted mine inheritance, and

given them into thine hand:

thou didst shew them no

mercy; upon the ancient hast thou very heavily laid thy yoke.

7. And thou saidst, I shall be a lady for ever: so that thou didst not lay these *things* to thy heart, neither didst remember the latter end of it.

Therefore hear now this, thou that art given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly.

that sayest in thine heart,

I am, and none else beside me;

I shall not sit as a widow,

neither shall I know the loss of children:

9. But these two things shall come to thee in a moment in

one day, the loss of children, and widowhood:

they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of thy sorceries, and for the great abundance of thine enchantments.

10. For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said. None seeth

me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it

hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I am, and none else beside me.

11. Therefore shall evil come upon thee: thou shalt

not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon

thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off:

and desolation shall
 come upon thee suddenly,

which thou shalt not know.

12. Stand now

with thine enchantments,

and with the multitude of thy sorceries, whereir

thy sorceries, wherein thou hast laboured from thy youth;

if so be thou shalt be able

profit, if so be thou mayest

■ prevail.
■ 13. Thou

13. Thou art wearied

■ in the multitude of

thy counsels. Let now the

astrologers, the

stargazers, the monthly prognosticators, stand up, and

- save thee from these thinas that shall come upon thee.
- 14 **Behold**, they shall be as stubble; the fire shall burn them;
- they shall not deliver
- | themselves from the power of the flame: there shall not be a coal to warm at nor fire to sit before it. 15. Thus shall they be unto thee with whom thou hast laboured, even thy merchants, from thy youth: they shall
- wander every one to his quarter; none shall save thee.

CHAPTER 48

- | 1. Hear ye
- this. O house of
- Jacob, which are called by the name of Israel, and are come forth out of the waters of Judah.
- which swear by the name ■ of the LORD, and make
- mention of the God of Israel.
- but not in truth, nor in riahteousness.
 - 2. For they call themselves of the holy city, and stay themselves upon the God of Israel; The LORD of hosts is his name.
- 3. I have declared the former things from the beginning; and they went forth out of my mouth, and I shewed them: I did them suddenly.
- and they came to pass.
 - 4. Because I knew that thou
- art obstinate, and thy neck is an iron sinew.
 - and thy brow brass:
- 5. I have even from the beginning declared it to thee; before it
- came to pass I shewed it thee:
- lest thou shouldest say, Mine idol hath done them.
- and my graven image, and my molten image, hath commanded them.
 - 6. Thou hast heard, see all this: and will not ve declare it?
- I have shewed thee new things from

this time, even

hidden things.

and thou didst not know them.

- 7. They are created now, and not from the beginning; even before the day when thou heardest them not: lest thou shouldest say. Behold, I knew them.
- Yea, thou heardest not; yea, thou knewest not; yea, from that time that thine ear was not opened; for I knew that thou wouldest deal very treacherously, and wast called a transgressor from the womb.
- For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee, that I cut thee not off.
- 10. Behold, I have refined thee, but not with silver: I have chosen thee
- in the furnace of affliction.
- 11. For mine own sake, even for mine own sake.
- will I do it: for how should my name be polluted? and
- I will not give my glory ا پ unto another.
- 12. Hearken unto me. O Jacob and Israel, my called; I am he;
- I am the first. also am
- the last.
- 13. Mine hand also
- hath laid the foundation of the earth, and my right hand hath
- spanned the heavens:
- when I call unto them.
- they stand up together.
 - 14. All ve. assemble vourselves, and hear:
- which among them hath
- declared these thinas? The LORD hath loved him: he
- will do his pleasure on
- Babylon, and his arm shall be on
- the Chaldeans.
- 15. I. even I.
- have spoken; yea,
- I have called him:
 - I have brought him,
- and he
- shall make his way
- prosperous.
 - 16. Come ye near unto me, hear ye this;

I have not spoken in secret from the beginning: from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.

17. Thus saith the LORD, thy
Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel;

■ I am the LORD thy God

■ which teacheth thee to profit, which

leadeth thee by the waythat thou shouldest go.

18. O that thou hadst

■ hearkened to my

commandments! then had thy peace been as

as the waves of the sea:

19. Thy seed also had been as the sand, and the offspring of thy bowels like the gravel thereof; his name should not have been cut off nor destroyed from before me.

■ 20. **Go** ye

■ I forth of Babylon, flee ve

from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing

■ declare ye, tell

this, utter it even to the end of the earth; say ye,

The LORD hath

Jacob.

21. And they thirsted not when he led them through the deserts: he caused the

waters to flow out of the rock for them; he clave the rock

also, and the waters gushed out.

22. *There is* no peace, saith

the LORD, unto the wicked.

CHAPTER 49

Listen, O isles.

unto me; and hearken, ye people, from far;

The LORD hath called me from the womb:

from the bowels of my mother hath he made mention of my name.

2. And he hath made my mouth like a sharp sword;

in the shadow of his

■ hand hath he hid me,

and made me a polished shaft; in his quiver hath he hid me;

3. And said unto me,

Thou art my servant,
O Israel, in whom I
will be glorified.

 Then I said, I have laboured in vain, I have spent my strength for nought, and in vain:

yet surely my judgmentis with the LORD,

and my work with my God.

5. And now, saith the LORD that formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob again to him,
 Though Isrgel be not

gathered, yet shall I be glorious in the eyes of the LORD, and my God shall be my strength.

6. And he said, It is a light thing that thou

shouldest be my servant to raise up the tribes

of Jacob, and to restore the preserved of Israel:

I will also give thee for
 a light to the Gentiles,
 that thou mayest be
 my salvation unto the

end of the earth.

7. Thus saith the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel, and his Holy One, to him

whom man despiseth, to him whom the nation abhorreth, to a servant of rulers,

■ Kings shall see

■ and arise,

■ princes also

shall worship, because of the LORD that is faithful, and

the Holy One of Israel, and he

shall choose thee.

8. Thus saith the LORD. In

an acceptable time have

■ I heard thee, and in a day of salvation have I

helped thee: and I will

preserve thee, and give thee for a covenant

of the people,

to establish the

- earth, to cause to inherit the desolate heritages;

 9. That thou mayest say
- to the prisoners, Go forth; to them that are in darkness, Shew yourselves. They shall feed
 - yourselves. They shall feed in the ways, and their pastures shall be in all high places.
- 10. They shall not hunger
 nor thirst; neither shall the heat nor sun smite them:
- for he that hath mercy on them shall lead them, even by the springs of water shall he guide them.
 - 11. And I will make all my mountains a way, and my highways shall be exalted.
- 12. Behold, these shall come from far: and, lo, these from the north and from the west; and these from the land of Sinim.
 - 13. Sing, O heavens; and be joyful, O earth; and break forth into singing, O mountains:

for the LORD

hath comforted his people, and will have mercy upon

- his afflicted.

 14. But Zion said, The LORD

 hath forseken me, and my Lord beth
- hath forsaken me, and my Lord hath forgotten me.

 15. Can a woman forget
- her sucking child, that she should not have compassion on the son of her womb?
- yea, they may forget, yet
 will I not forget thee.
 16. Behold, I have graven
 thee upon the palms of
 my hands; thy walls are
- continually before me.

 17. Thy children shall make haste;
 - thy destroyers and they
 that made thee waste
 shall go forth of thee.
- 18. Lift up thine eyes round about,
- and behold: all these
 gather themselves
 together, and come to
- thee. As I live, saith the LORD,

- | thou shalt surely clothe ■ | thee with them all.
- **as with an ornament**, and bind them on thee, as a bride doeth.
 - 19. **For thy** waste and thy desolate places, and the
- land of thy destruction,
- shall even now be too narrow by reason of the
- inhabitants, and they that swallowed thee up shall be far away.
- 20. The children which thou shalt have, after thou
- hast lost the other, shall
- **SQY** again in thine ears,
- The place is too strait for me:
 give place to me
- that I may dwell.
- 21. Then shalt thou
- SQY in thine heart,
- Who hath begotten me
- these, seeing I have lost my children, and am desolate, a captive, and
 - removing to and fro? and who hath brought
- who hath brought up these? Behold, I was left alone;
- these, where had they been?
- 22. Thus saith the Lord GOD. Behold.
- I will lift up mine hand to the Gentiles, and set up my standard to the people:
- and they shall bring
- sons in their arms,
- and thy
- **daughters** shall be carried upon *their* shoulders.
- 23. And kings shall be thy nursing fathers,
- and their queens
 thy nursing mothers: they
- shall bow down to thee with their face toward the earth,
- and lick up the dust of thy feet;
 and thou shalt know that
- I am the LORD: for they shall not be ashamed
- that wait for me.
 - 24. Shall the prey be taken from the mighty, or the lawful captive delivered?

- 25 But thus saith the LORD.
- Even the captives of the mighty shall be
- taken away, and the prey
- for I will contend with him
- that contendeth with thee,
- and I will save thy children.
- 26. And I will feed them that
 oppress thee with their own
- flesh; and they shall be drunken with their own blood, as with sweet wine:
- and all flesh shall know
- that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer.
- Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.

CHAPTER 50

- 1 1. Thus saith the LORD,
- Where is the bill of your mother's divorcement.
 - whom I have put away?
- Or which of
- my creditors is it
 - to whom I have
- sold you? Behold,
- for your iniquities have
- ye sold yourselves, and for your transgressions is
- vour mother put away.
- 2. Wherefore, when I came, was there no man?
- When I called. was there
- none to
- answer? Is my hand
- shortened at all,
- that it cannot redeem?
 - or have I no power to deliver?
- behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness: their fish stinketh, because there is no water, and dieth for thirst
- 3. I clothe the heavens with
- **blackness**, and I make sackcloth their covering.
- 4. The Lord GOD hath given me the tongue of the
 learned, that I should know how
- to speak a word in season
- to him that is weary: he wakeneth morning by morning, he wakeneth mine ear to hear

I I as the learned.

- 5. **The Lord** GOD hath
- opened mine ear, and I was not rebellious,
- neither lurned away back.
- 6. I gave my back to the smiters, and my cheeks to them that plucked off the hair. I hid not my face from shame and spitting.
 - 7. For the Lord GOD will help me; therefore shall I not be confounded: therefore have I set my face like a flint,
- and I know that I shall not be ashamed.
- 8. He is near that justifieth me; who will contend with me?
- let us stand together: who is mine adversary? let him come near to me.
 - Behold, the Lord GOD will help me; who is he that shall condemn me? lo, they all shall wax old
 - as a garment; the moth shall eat them up.
- 10. Who *is*
- among you that
 - feareth the LORD, that obeyeth the voice of his servant, that walketh in darkness, and hath no light?
- let him trust in the name of the LORD, and stay upon his God.
 - 11. Behold, all ye that kindle a fire, that compass *yourselves* about with sparks: walk in the light of your fire, and in the sparks *that* ye have kindled. This shall ye have of mine hand; ye shall lie down in sorrow.

CHAPTER 51

- 1. Hearken to me, ye that follow after righteousness, ye that seek the LORD: look unto the rock whence ye are hewn, and to the hole of the pit whence ye are digged.
- 2. Look unto Abraham vour father.
 - and unto Sarah that bare you:
- for I called him alone, and
- **blessed him,** and increased him.
- 3. For the LORD shall comfort Zion:
 - he will comfort all her waste places;

and he will make her wilderness like Eden, and her desert like the garden of the LORD: joy and gladness shall be found therein, thanksgiving. and the voice of melody. 4 Hearken unto me. my people; and give ear unto me. O my nation: for a law shall proceed from me, and I will make my judament to rest for a light of the people. 5. My righteousness is near: my salvation is gone forth, and mine arms shall judge the people; the isles shall wait upon me, and on mine arm shall they trust. 6. Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look upon the earth beneath: for the heavens shall ■ vanish away like smoke. and the earth shall wax old like a garment, and they that dwell therein shall die in like manner: but my salvation shall be for ever, and my righteousness shall not be abolished. 7. Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart is my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ve afraid of their revilings. 8. For the moth shall eat them up like a garment, and the worm shall eat them like wool: but my righteousness shall be for ever, and my salvation from generation to generation. 9. Awake, awake, put on strength, O arm of the LORD: awake. as in the ancient days, in the generations of old. Art thou not it that

hath cut Rahab.

and wounded the dragon?

10. Art thou not it which

hath dried the sea.

the waters of the great deep;

that hath made the depths of the sea a way for the ransomed to pass over? 11. Therefore the redeemed of the LORD shall return. and come with singing unto Zion; and everlasting joy shall be upon their head: they shall obtain gladness and joy; and sorrow and mourning shall flee awav. 12. **I.** even I. am he that comforteth you: who art thou, that thou shouldest be afraid of a man that shall die, and of the son of man which shall be made as grass: 13. And forgettest the LORD thy maker, that hath stretched forth the heavens, and laid the foundations of the earth; and hast feared continually every day because of the fury of the oppressor, as if he were ready to destroy? and where is the fury of the oppressor? 14. The captive exile hasteneth that he may be loosed. and that he should not die in the pit, nor that his bread should fail. 15. But I am the LORD thy God, that divided the sea, whose waves roared: The LORD of hosts is his name. 16. And I have put my words in thy mouth, and I have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations

have covered thee in the shadow of mine hand, that I may plant the heavens, and lay the foundations of the earth, and say unto Zion,
Thou art my people.
17. Awake, awake, stand up,
O Jerusalem,
which hast drunk at the hand of the LORD the cup of his fury; thou hast drunken the

18. **There is none** to guide her among all the sons whom she hath

wrung them out.

dregs of the cup of trembling, and

brought forth; neither is there any that taketh her by the hand of all the sons that she hath brought up.

19. These two things are come unto thee;

who shall be sorry for thee?

■ desolation, and

destruction, and the

famine, and the sword: by
whom shall I comfort thee?
20. Thy sons have fainted,

they lie at the head of all the streets, as a wild bull in a net:

they are full of the fury of the LORD.

the rebuke of thy

■ God.

■ 21. Therefore hear now this, thou afflicted.

and drunken, but not with wine:

 Thus saith thy Lord the LORD, and thy God that pleadeth the cause of his people.

Behold, I have taken out of thine hand the cup of

trembling, even the dregs of the cup of my lury:

thou shalf no more drink it again:

■ 23. But I will put it into the

■ hand of them that afflict

thee; which have said to thy soul. Bow down, that we may go over: and thou hast laid thy body as the ground, and as the street, to them that went over.

CHAPTER 52

■ 1. Awake, awake;

put on thy strength, O Zion; put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city:

■ for henceforth there shall

no more come into thee

the uncircumcised and the unclean.

■ 2. Shake thyself from

■ the dust; arise,

■ and sit down, O Jerusalem:

loose thyself from the bands of thy neck,

O captive daughter of Zion.

3. For thus saith the LORD,

Ye have sold yourselves for nought; and ye shall be redeemed without money.

4. For thus saith the Lord GOD,

My people went down aforetime

info Egypt to sojourn there; and the Assyrian

and the Assyrian oppressed them without cause.

■ 5. **Now** therefore.

what have I here,

saith the LORD, that my people is taken away for nought?

they that rule over them make them to howl, saith the LORD:

and my name

continually every day is blasphemed.

6. Therefore my people shall know my name:

therefore *they shall know* in that day that I *am* he that doth speak; behold, *it is* I.

7. How beautiful upon the mountains

are the feet of him thatbringeth good tidings,

that publisheth peace; that bringeth good tidings of good.

that publisheth salvation; that saith unto Zion.

■ Thy God reigneth!

 Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing:

for they shall see eye to eye,
when the LORD shall
bring again Zion.

9. Break forth into joy,

sing together,

ye waste places of
Jerusalem: for the LORD
hath comforted his people, he

■ hath redeemed Jerusalem.

10. The LORD hath made

bare his holy arm in the eves of all the nations:

and all the ends of

the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

- 11. Depart ye, depart ye, go ve out from thence.
- touch no unclean thina: go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the
- | vessels of the LORD.
- 12. For ve shall not go out with haste, nor go by flight:
- for the LORD will go before you; and the God of Israel will
- be your rereward.
- 13. **Behold, my servant**
- shall deal prudently, he shall be exalted and extolled, and be very high.
- 14. As many were
- | astonied at thee: his visage was so
- marred more than any
- man, and his form more than the sons of men:
- 15. So shall he sprinkle ■ many nations: the
- kings shall shut their ■ I mouths at him:
- for that which had not
- been told them shall they ■ See; and that which they had
- not heard shall they consider.

CHAPTER 53

- 1 1. Who hath believed our report? and to whom is the arm of the LORD revealed? 2. For he shall arow
- **UD** before him
- **as a tender plant**, and as a root
- out of a dry ground: he
- hath no form nor
- comeliness; and when we shall see him, there is no beauty
- that we should desire him.
- 3. **He is** despised and rejected of men: a man of sorrows, and
- acquainted with grief:
- and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised,
- and we
- I esteemed him not.
 - 4. Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our
 - sorrows: yet we did

- esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted.
- 5. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our
- iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon
- him; and with
- his stripes we are healed.
- 6. All we like sheep have
- gone astray; we have turned every one
- to his own way: and the LORD hath laid on him
- the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed.
- and he was
- afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought
 - as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth.
- 8. He was taken from prison and from judgment: and who shall
- declare his generation?
- for he was cut off out of the land of the living: for the transgression of my
- **people** was he stricken. And he made his grave with the wicked, and with
- the rich in his death; because he had done no violence,
- neither was any deceit in his mouth.
- 10. Yet it pleased the LORD to bruise him: he hath put
- him to grief; when thou shalt make his soul an offering 7
 - for sin, he shall see his seed, he shall prolong his days, and the pleasure of the LORD shall prosper in his hand.
- 11. He shall see of the travail of his soul,
- and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my
- righteous servant justify
- many; for he shall bear their iniquities.
 - 12. Therefore will I divide
 - him a portion with the

- great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he hath poured out his soul unto death: and he was numbered
- | with the transgressors:
- and he bare the ■ I
- sin of many.
- and made intercession for the transgressors.

CHAPTER 54

- 1. Sing. O barren, thou that didst not bear; break forth into singing, and cry aloud,
- thou that didst not travail with child: for more are

the children of the desolate than the children of the married wife, saith the LORD.

2. Enlarge the place of thy tent, and let them stretch forth the curtains of thine habitations; spare not, lengthen thy cords, and strengthen thy stakes:

- 3. For thou shalt break forth on the right hand and on the left:
- and thy seed shall inherit the Gentiles, and make the desolate cities to
- be inhabited.
- 4. Fear not: for thou shalt not be ashamed; neither be thou confounded; for thou shalt not be put to shame; for thou shalt forget the shame of thy youth, and
- shalt not remember the reproach of thy
- widowhood any more.
- 5. For thy Maker is
- thine husband: the LORD
- of hosts is his name: and thy Redeemer the
- Holy One of Israel: The God of the whole earth shall he be called.
- 6. For the LORD hath
- called thee as a woman
- forsaken and grieved in spirit, and a wife of youth, when
- thou wast refused, saith thy God. 7. For a small
- moment have I forsaken

- thee: but with areat mercies will I gather thee.
 - 8. In a little wrath I hid my face from thee for a moment: but with everlasting kindness will I have mercy on thee, saith the LORD thy Redeemer.
 - 9 For this is as the waters of Noah unto me:
- for as I have sworn that the waters of Noah should no more go over the earth: so have I sworn that I would not be wroth with
 - thee, nor rebuke thee.
- 10. For the mountains shall **depart**, and the hills be removed;
- but my kindness shall not
 - depart from thee, neither shall the covenant of my peace be removed.
 - saith the LORD that hath mercy on thee.
 - 11. Ó thou afflicted. tossed with tempest, and not comforted, behold.
- I will lay thy stones with fair colours, and lav
- thy foundations
- with sapphires. 12. **And** I will make
- thy windows of agates. and thy gates of
- carbuncles, and all thy borders of pleasant stones.
- 13. And all thy children shall be taught of the
- LORD: and great shall be the peace of thy children.
 - 14. In righteousness shalt thou be established: thou shalt be far from oppression; for

thou shalt not fear; and from terror; for it shall not come near thee.

- 15. Behold, they shall surely gather together, but not by me:
- whosoever shall gather together
- against thee shall fall for thy sake.
 - 16. Behold, I have created the smith that bloweth the coals in the fire, and that bringeth forth an

instrument for his work; and I have created the waster to destroy.

17. No weapon that is

■ formed against thee shall prosper; and every tongue that shall rise against thee

■ in judament thou shalt

condemn. This is the heritage of the servants of the LORD, and their righteousness is of me, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 55

■ | 1. Ho, every one that

■ thirsteth, come ye

■ to the waters, and he that hath no money; come ye,

and eat; yea, come,

buy wine and milk

■ I without money

and without price.

2. Wherefore do ye spend

money for that which is

not bread? and your labour

for that which satisfieth not? hearken diligently

unto me, and eat ye that

which is good, and let vour soul delight

itself in fatness.

3. Incline your ear, and come

■ unto me: hear,

■ | and your soul shall live;

■ and I will make an

■ | everlasting covenant with

YOU, even the sure mercies of David.

4. Behold, I have given

him for a witness to the people,

a leader and

commander to the people.

5. **Behold**, thou shalt call a nation that thou knowest not, and

nations that knew not thee

shall run unto thee

■ | because of the LORD thy God,

and for the Holy One of Israel; for he hath glorified thee.

■ 6. Seek ye

■ I the LORD while he may

be found, call ye

upon him while he is near:

■ 7. Let the wicked forsake

his way, and the

unrighteous man

■ I his thoughts: and let him

return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him:

and to our

God, for he

will abundantly pardon.

8. For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways

my ways, saith the LORD.

9. For as the heavens

are higher than the earth,

so are my ways higher than your ways,

and my thoughts than

vour thoughts.

10. For as the rain cometh

down, and the snow from heaven. and returneth not thither, but

watereth the earth, and

maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give

seed to the sower.

and bread to the eater:

11. So shall my word be that goeth forth out of my mouth: it

shall not return unto me

void. but it shall

accomplish that which

I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it.

12. For ye shall go out with

joy, and be led forth with peace: the mountains

and the hills shall break

forth before you

into singing, and all

the trees of the field

shall clap *their* hands.

13. Instead of the thorn shall come up the fir tree, and instead of the brier shall come up the myrtle tree: and it shall be

to the LORD for a name, for an everlasting sign that shall not be cut off.

CHAPTER 56

1. Thus saith the LORD, Keep ye judgment, and do justice: for

my salvation is near to come. and my righteousness

to be revealed.

2 Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and

keepeth his hand

from doing any

evil.

3. Neither let the son of ■ the stranger, that hath

joined himself to the LORD, speak, saying,

■ The LORD hath utterly separated me from his people: neither let the eunuch

say, Behold, I am a dry tree. 4. For thus saith the LORD unto the eunuchs that keep my sabbaths, and choose the things

> that please me, and take hold of my covenant:

5. Even unto them will I give in mine house and within my walls

a place and a name better

than of sons and of ■ daughters: I will give

them an everlasting name, that shall not be cut off.

■ 6. Also the sons of

■ the stranger, that join ■ themselves to the LORD.

to serve him.

and to

love the name of

the LORD, to be his servants. every one that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and taketh hold of my covenant;

7. Even them.

will I bring to my holy mountain, and

make them

joyful in my house of

prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacrifices shall be accepted upon mine altar;

for mine house shall ■ be called an house of prayer for all people.

8. The Lord GOD, which gathereth the outcasts of Israel

saith, Yet will I gather others to him, beside those that are gathered unto him.

9. All ye beasts of the field, come to devour, yea, all ye beasts in the forest.

10. His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all

dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, lying down,

loving to slumber.

11. Yea, they

are greedy dogs which can never have

enough, and they are

shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own

way, every one for his

gain, from his quarter. 12. Come ye, say

they, I will fetch wine, and

we will fill ourselves with

strong drink; and to morrow shall be as

this day, and much

more abundant.

CHAPTER 57

1. The righteous perisheth, and no man layeth it to heart:

and merciful men are

taken away, none considering that the righteous is taken away

from the evil to come.

He shall enter into peace: they shall rest in their beds, each one walking in his uprightness.

3. But draw near hither.

Ve sons of the

SOICEIESS, the seed of

the adulterer and the whore.

4. Against whom do ye sport yourselves? against whom make ye a wide mouth, and draw

out the tongue? are ye not children of transgression, a seed of falsehood.

5. Enflaming yourselves with idols under every green tree, slaying the children in

the valleys under the clifts of the rocks?

> 6. Among the smooth stones of the stream is thy portion; they, they are thy lot: even to them hast

thou poured a drink offering, thou

hast offered a meat offering. Should I receive comfort in these?

7. Upon a lofty and

high mountain hast thou set thy bed: even thither wentest thou up to offer sacrifice.

8. Behind the doors

also and the posts

hast thou set up thy

remembrance: for thou hast discovered thyself

to another than me.

and art

gone up; thou hast

enlarged thy bed, and made thee

a covenant with them; thou

lovedst their bed where thou sawest it. 9. And thou wentest to the

kina with ointment, and didst increase

thy perfumes, and didst send thy messengers far off,

and didst debase thyself even unto hell.

10. Thou art wearied in the greatness of thy way: vet saidst thou not. There is no hope; thou hast found the life of thine hand; therefore thou wast not grieved.

■ 11. And of whom hast

■ I thou been afraid or

feared, that thou hast

lied, and hast

not remembered me.

nor laid it to thy heart?

have not I held my **Deace** even of old.

and thou tearest me not?

12. I will declare

thy righteousness, and thy

works; for they

shall not profit thee. ■ 13. When thou criest, let

thy companies deliver

thee: but the wind shall carry them all away;

vanity shall take them: but he that putteth his trust in

me shall possess the land, and

shall inherit my holy

mountain:

14. And shall say, Cast ye up, cast ve up, prepare the way. take up the stumblingblock out of the way of my people.

15. For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity.

whose name is Holv:

I dwell in the high and

holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and

humble spirit, to revive

the spirit of the

humble, and to revive the heart of

the contrite ones.

16. For I will not contend for ever, neither will I be always

wroth: for the spirit should

fail before me, and the souls which I have made.

17. For the iniquity of his

covetousness was I wroth. and smote him: I hid me. and was wroth.

and he went on frowardly in the way of his heart.

> 18. I have seen his ways, and will heal him: I will lead him also. and restore comforts unto him. and to his mourners

19. I create the fruit of the

lips; Peace, peace to him that is far off, and to him that is near, saith the LORD: and I

will heal him.

20. But the wicked are

like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt.

21. There is no peace, saith

■ my God, to the wicked.

CHAPTER 58

1. Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and

shew my people their

transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins.

Yet they seek me daily, and delight to know my ways,

as a nation that did

righteousness, and forsook not the ordinance of their God: they ask of me the ordinances of justice; they take delight in

they take delight inapproaching to God.

3. Wherefore have we fasted, say they, and thou

seest not? wherefore have we

■ afflicted our soul, and thou takest no knowledge?

Behold, in the day of your fast ye find pleasure, and exact all your labours.

Behold, ye fast for strife

and debate, and to
 smite with the fist of

■ wickedness: ye shall

not fast as *ye do this* day.

to make your voice to

be heard on high.

5. Is it such a fast that I

■ have chosen? a day for a man to afflict his soul? is it

■ to bow down his

■ head as a bulrush,

■ and to

spread sackcloth and ashes under him? witt thou call this a fast, and an acceptable

day to the LORD?

6. Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness,

to undo the heavy burdens,

and to let the

oppressed go free,

and that ye break every yoke?

7. Is it not

to deal thy bread to

the hungry, and that thoubring the poor that are cast out

to thy house? when thou

seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide

cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh?

 8. Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily: and

thy righteousness shallgo before thee; the glory

of the LORD shall be

thy rereward.

9. Then shalt thou call, and

the LORD shall answer; thou shalt cry, and he shall say. Here I am. If thou take away from the midst of thee the yoke, the putting forth of the finger, and speaking vanity;

10. And if thou draw out thy soul to the hungry, and satisfy the afflicted soul;

then shall thy light rise in obscurity, and thy darkness

be as the noon day:

11. And the LORD shall guide thee continually, and satisfy thy soul in drought, and make fat thy bones:

and thou shalt be like a watered garden, and like a

spring of water, whose waters fail not.

12. And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations;

and thou shalt be called,

■ The repairer of the breach. The restorer

of paths to dwell in.

13. If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath,

 from doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable:

and shalt honour him,not doing thine own

ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

14. Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I

will cause thee to ride upon

the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the

■ heritage of Jacob thy father:

for the mouth of

the LORD hath spoken it.

CHAPTER 59

1. Behold, the LORD's

hand is not shortened,

■ that it cannot save;

neither his ear heavy, that it cannot hear:

- 2 But your iniquitieshave separated betweenyou and your
- God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.
- 3. For your hands are
- defiled with blood,and your fingers with iniquity;
- your lips have spoken lies, your tongue

hath muttered perverseness.

4. None calleth for justice, nor any pleadeth for truth: they trust in vanity, and

speak lies; they conceive mischief, and bring forth iniquity.

- They hatch cockatrice' eggs, and weave the spider's web: he that eateth of their eggs dieth, and that which is crushed breaketh out into a viper.
- 6. Their webs shall not become garments, neither shall they cover themselves with their works:
- their works are works
 of iniquity, and the act of violence is in their hands.
- violence is in their hands.
 7. Their feet run to evil,
 and they make haste to
- shed innocent blood: their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity;

their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity wasting

and destruction *are* in their paths.

8. The way of peace they know not: and

■ *there is* no judgment in their goings: they have made them crooked

paths: whosoever goeth therein shall not know peace.

- 9. Therefore is judgment far from us, neither doth justice overtake us:
- we wait for light, but behold obscurity; for brightness, but

we walk in darkness.

- 10. We grope for the wall like the blind, and we grope as if we had no eyes: we stumble at noon day as in the night;
 - we are in desolate places as dead men.

- 11. We roar all like bears, and mourn sore like doves:
- **We look** for judgment, but *there is* none:
- for salvation, but it is far off from us.
- 12. For our transgressions are multiplied before thee,
- and our sins testify
- against us: for our transgressions are with us; and as for our iniquities, we know them;
- 13. In transgressing and
- lying against the LORD, and departing away from our God, speaking oppression and revolt,
- conceiving and uttering
 from the heart words
 of falsehood.
- 14. And judgment is turned away backward, and
- justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.
 - 15. **Yea, truth faileth;** and he *that* departeth from evil maketh himself a prey:
- and the LORD saw it, and it displeased him that there was no judgment.
- 16. And he saw that there was no man, and wondered
- that *there was* no intercessor: therefore
- his arm brought salvation unto him; and
- his righteousness, it sustained him.
- 17. For he put on righteousness as a
- breastplate, and an helmet of salvation
- upon his head; and he put on the garments of
- vengeance for clothing,
- and was clad with
- zeal as a cloak.
- 18. According to their deeds, accordingly
- he will repay, fury to
- his adversaries, recompence to his enemies; to the islands he will

repay recompence.

 So shall they fear the name of the LORD from the west, and his glory from the rising of the sun.

- When the enemy shall
 - come in like a flood the Spirit of the LORD
- shall lift up a standard
- snaii iiir up a standardagainst him.
- 20. And the Redeemer
- shall come to Zion, and unto them that turn from
- transgression in Jacob, saith the LORD.
 - 21. As for me.
- this is my covenant with
- them, saith the LORD;
 My spirit that is upon thee.
- My spirif that is upon thee,
- and my words which have put in thy mouth,
- shall not depart out of thy mouth.
 - out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the LORD, from
- henceforth and for ever.

CHAPTER 60

- 1. Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the LORD is
 risen upon thee.
 - 2. For, behold, the
- darkness shall cover
- the earth, and gross darkness the people:
- but the LORD shall
- | **arise** upon thee.
- and his glory shall be
- seen upon thee.
- 3. And the Gentiles shallcome to thy light, and kings
 - to the brightness of thy rising.
 - 4. Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at thy side.
- 5. Then thou shalt
- See, and flow together.
- and thine heart shall
- | fear, and be enlarged;

- because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of
 - the Gentiles shall come unto thee.
 - 6. The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come:
- they shall bring gold and incense; and they
 - shall shew forth the praises of the LORD.
- 7. All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee; they shall
- come up with acceptance
 on mine altar, and I will
- glorify the house of my glory.
 - 8. Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows?
- 9. Surely the isles shall wait for me, and the ships of Tarshish first.
- to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the LORD thy God, and to the Holy One of Isrgel.
 - to the Holy One of Israel, because he hath
- glorified thee.
- strangers shall build up
 thy walls, and their kings
- shall minister unto thee: for in my wrath I smote thee.
- but in my favour have I had mercy on thee.
- 11. Therefore thy gates
- shall be open continually; they shall not be shut day nor night;
- that men may bring unto theethe forces of the Gentiles,
 - and that their kings may be brought.
- 12. For the nation and kingdom that will not serve thee
- shall perish; yea, those nations shall be utterly wasted.
- 13. The glory of Lebanonshall come unto thee, the fir tree,
 - the pine tree, and the box together, to beautify the place of

- my sanctuary; and I will make the place
- of my feet glorious. ■ 14. The sons also of them that afflicted thee shall come bending unto thee;
- and all they that
- despised thee shall bow themselves down at

the soles of

thy feet; and they shall call thee; The city of the LORD,

> The Zion of the Holy One of Israel. Whereas thou has been forsaken. and hated, so that no man went through thee.

- I I will make thee an eternal excellency, a joy of many generations.
 - 16. Thou shalt also suck the milk of the Gentiles, and shalt suck the breast of kings: and
- thou shalt know that I the LORD am thy Saviour and thy Redeemer, the mighty One of Jacob.
- 17 For brass I will bring gold, and for iron I will bring silver, and for wood brass,

and for stones iron:

- I will also
- make thy officers peace, and thine exactors righteousness.
- 18. Violence shall no more be heard in thy land, wasting nor destruction within thy borders;
- but thou shalt call thy walls Salvation, and thy gates Praise.
- 19. The sun shall be no more thy light by day; neither for brightness shall
- the moon give light unto thee: but the LORD shall
- **be** unto thee
- an everlasting light,

and thy God thy glory. 20. Thy sun shall no more go down; neither shall thy moon withdraw itself: for the LORD shall be thine everlasting light,

and the days of thy

mourning shall be ended.

- 21. Thy people also shall be all righteous:
 - they shall inherit the land for ever. the branch of my planting, the work of my hands, that I may be glorified.
- 22. A little one shall
- **become** a thousand. and a small one
- a strong nation: I the LORD |■| will hasten it in his time.

CHAPTER 61

- 1. The Spirit of the Lord
- GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me
- to preach good tidings
- unto the meek; he hath sent me
- to bind up the
- brokenhearted, to
- proclaim liberty to the
- captives, and the opening of the prison
 - to them that are bound:
- 2. To proclaim the
- acceptable year of the LORD,
- and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort

all that mourn:

- To appoint unto them that mourn in Zion.
- to give unto them
- **beauty for ashes,** the oil of joy for mourning,
 - the garment of
 - praise for the spirit of
- heaviness; that they
- might be called trees of righteousness,
 - the planting of the LORD,
 - that he might be glorified.
 - 4. And they shall build the old wastes, they shall raise up the former desolations,
- and they shall repair the waste cities, the

desolations of many generations.

- And strangers shall stand and feed your flocks, and the sons of the alien shall be your
- plowmen and your vinedressers. 6. **But ye shall be named**
- the Priests of the LORD:

men shall call you the

■ Ministers of our God: ye

shall eat the riches

of the Gentiles, and in their glory shall ye boast yourselves.

7. For your shame ye shall have double:

and for confusion they

shall rejoice in their

portion: therefore in their land they shall possess the double: everlasting joy shall be unto them.

8 For I the LORD love judgment, I hate robbery

for burnt offering; and I will direct their work in truth,

■ and I will

make an everlasting covenant with them.

9. And their seed shall be

| 9. And their seed shall be | known among the Gentiles, | and their offspring among

the people: all that see them shall acknowledge them,

that they are theseed which the LORD

hath blessed.
10. I will greatly rejoice

in the LORD, my soul shall be joyful in my God:

for he hath clothed

■ me with the garments of

salvation, he hath

covered me with the robe of

righteousness, as a bridegroom decketh himself with ornaments, and as a bride adorneth herself with her jewels.

■ 11. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the

garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth;

■ so the Lord GOD

will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth

before all the nations.

CHAPTER 62

1. For Zion's sake will I not hold my peace, and for Jerusalem's sake

I will not rest, until the

■ righteousness thereof

go forth as brightness, and the salvation thereof gs g lamp that burneth.

2 And the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness,

and all kings thy glory:

and thou shalt becalled by a new name,

which the mouth of the LORD shall name.

3. Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in

the hand of the LORD,

and a roval diadem in

and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.

4. Thou shalt no more be termed

Forsaken; neither shall thy land any more be termed

Desolate: but thou shalt be called Hephzibah, and thy land Beulah:

for the LORD delighteth in thee, and thy land shall be married.

5. For as a young man marrieth a virgin, so shall thy sons marry thee: and

as the bridegroom
 rejoiceth over the bride, so
 shall thy God rejoice over
 thee.

■ 6. I have set watchmen

upon thy walls, O Jerusalem,
which shall never hold
their peace day nor night: ye
that make mention of the LORD,
keep not silence.

And give him no rest,

till he establish, and till he make Jerusalem a praise in the earth.

8. The LORD hath sworn by his right hand, and by the arm of his strength, Surely I will no more give thy corn to be meat for thine enemies; and the sons of the

stranger shall not drink thy wine, for the

which thou hast laboured:

9. But they that have gathered it shall eat it, and praise the LORD; and they that have brought it together shall drink it in the courts of my holiness.

10. Go through, go through
the gates; prepare ye the
way of the people; cast up,

cast up the highway;
gather out the stones; lift up
a standard for the people.

■ 11. Behold, the LORD hath

proclaimed unto the end ofthe world, Say ye to the

daughter of Zion, Behold,

thy salvation cometh; behold his reward *is* with

■ him,

and his work before him.

12. And they shall

call them, The holy people,

The redeemed of the

■ LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken.

CHAPTER 63

In Who is this that cometh from Edom, with dyed garments from Bozrah? this that is glorious in his apparel, travelling in the greatness of his strength? I that speak in righteousness, mighty to save.

2. Wherefore art

thou red in thine apparel, and

thy garments like him that treadeth in the winefat?

3. I have trodden the winepress alone; and of the people there was none with me: for I will tread them

in mine anger, and trample them in my fury;

and their blood shall
 be sprinkled upon my
 garments, and I will stain
 all my raiment.

4. For the day of vengeance is in mine heart, and the

year of my redeemed is come.

is come.

5. And I looked, and

there was none to help; and I wondered that there

and I wondered that there was none to uphold:

I therefore mine own arm

brought salvation unto

me; and my fury, it upheld me.6. And I will tread down the

people in mine anger, and make them drunk in my fury, and I will bring down their strength to the earth.

7. I will mention the lovingkindnesses of the LORD.

and the

praises of the LORD, according to all that the LORD hath

bestowed on us, and the great

■ goodness toward the house of

■ Israel, which he hath

bestowed on them according to his mercies,
 and according to the multitude

of his lovingkindnesses.

8. For he said, Surely

they are my people, children that will not lie:

so he was their Saviour.

9. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel

of his presence saved them: in his love and in his pity

he redeemed them; and he bare them, and carried them all the days of old.

10. **But they rebelled,** and vexed his holy Spirit: therefore he was turned to be their enemy,

and he fought against them.

11. Then he remembered the days of old,

■ Moses, and his people,

saying, Where is he that brought them up out of

■ the sea with the shepherd of his flock?

where is he that put his holy Spirit within him?

12. That led *them* by the right hand of Moses with his glorious arm, dividing the water before them, to make himself an everlasting name?

13. That led them through the deep, as an horse in the

wilderness, that they

should not stumble?

- 14. As a beast goeth down into the valley, the Spirit of the LORD caused him to rest:
- so didst thou lead thy people, to make thyself
 - people, to make thyselfa glorious name.
- 15. Look down from
- heaven, and behold from the habitation of thy holiness and of thy glory:
- where is thy zeal and thy strength, the sounding of thy bowels
- and ofthy mercies toward me?are they restrained?
- 16. Doubtless thou *art* our
 - father, though Abraham be ignorant of us, and Israel acknowledge us not: thou, O LORD, art our father,
- our redeemer; thy name is from everlasting.
- 17. O LORD, why hast thou
- made us to err from thy ways,
 and hardened our heart from
 - thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

 18. The people of thy holiness have possessed if but a little while:
- our adversaries
- have trodden down
- thy sanctuary.
- 19. We are thine: thou never barest rule over them;
- they were not called
- I I by thy name.

CHAPTER 64

- Oh that thou wouldest rend
 the heavens, that thou wouldest
- come down, that the mountains might flow down at thy presence,
 As when the melting fire burneth, the fire causeth the waters to boil.
- to make thy name known
- to thine adversaries, that
 the nations may tremble
 at thy presence!
 - 3. When thou didst terrible things which we looked not for, thou camest down, the mountains flowed down at thy presence.
- 4 For since the beginning
 of the world men have

- I not heard, nor
- perceived by the ear, neither hath the eye seen, O God, beside thee, what he hath prepared for
- what he hath prepared for him that waiteth for him.
 - 5. Thou meetest him that rejoiceth and worketh righteousness, *those that* remember thee in thy ways:
- behold, thou art wroth; for
 we have sinned: in those is continuance, and we shall be saved.
 - 6. But we are all as
- an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses
 - are as filthy rags; and we all do fade as a leaf:
- and our iniquities, like the wind.
 - have taken us away.
- 7. And there is none
- that calleth upon thy
- name, that stirreth up himself to take hold of thee:
- for thou hast hid thy face
- from us, and hast consumed us, because of our iniquities.
- 8. But now, O LORD, thou art our father:
- we are the clay, and
- thou our potter; and we all are the work of thy hand.
- 9. **Be not wroth**very sore, O LORD,
- neither remember iniquity for ever:
 - behold, see, we beseech thee,
- we are all thy people.
 - Thy holy cities are
 a wilderness, Zion is a wilderness,
 Jerusalem a desolation.
- 11. Our holy and our beautiful house, where our fathers praised thee.
- is burned up with fire: and all our pleasant things are laid waste.
- 12. Wilt thou refrain thyself for these *things*, O LORD?
 - wilt thou hold thy peace, and afflict us very sore?

CHAPTER 65

|■| 1. I am sought of them that

- asked not for me: I am found of them that sought me not:
- I said. Behold me, behold me. unto a nation that was not called by my name.
- 2. I have spread out
- my hands all the day
- unto a rebellious people. which walketh
 - in a way that was not good,
- after their own thoughts:
- 3. A people that provoketh me to anger continually to my face; that sacrificeth in gardens, and burneth incense upon altars of brick:
 - 4. Which remain among the graves, and lodge in the monuments, which eat swine's flesh, and broth of abominable things is in their vessels:
- 5. Which say, Stand by thyself, come not near to me:
- for I am holier than thou.

These are a smoke in my nose, a fire that burneth all the day.

- 6. **Behold.** it is written before me: I will not keep silence.
- but will recompense. even recompense
- into their bosom.
- 7. Your iniquities,
- and the iniquities of
- **vour fathers** together, saith the LORD, which have burned incense upon the mountains, and blasphemed me upon the hills: therefore
- will I measure their former work into their bosom.
 - 8. Thus saith the LORD. As the new wine is found in the cluster. and one saith, Destroy it not; for a blessing is in it: so will I do for my servants' sakes, that I may not destroy them all.
- 9. And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob. and out of Judah
- an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.
 - 10. And Sharon shall be a fold of flocks, and the valley of Achor a place for the herds to lie down in, for my

people that have sought me.

- 11. But ve are they that forsake the LORD, that forget my holy mountain, that prepare a table for that troop, and that furnish the drink offering unto that number.
- 12. Therefore will I number vou to the sword, and ve shall all bow down to the slaughter:
- because when I called. ve did not answer:
- when I spake, ye did not hear; but did evil before mine
- eves, and did choose that wherein I delighted not.
- 13. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold.
- my servants shall eat. but ye shall be hungry:

behold, my servants shall drink. but ve shall be thirsty; behold.

- my servants shall rejoice. but ve shall be ashamed:
 - 14. Behold, my servants shall sing for joy of heart, but ye shall cry for sorrow of heart, and shall howl for vexation of spirit.
- 15. **And** ye shall leave your name for a curse unto my chosen: for the Lord
- GOD shall slav thee, and call his servants by
- another name:
- 16. That he who blesseth himself in the earth
- shall bless himself in the
 - God of truth: and he that sweareth in the earth shall swear by the God of truth;
- because the former troubles are forgotten, and because they are hid from mine eyes.
- 17. For, behold, I create
- new heavens and a new earth: and the former shall not be remembered.
 - nor come into mind.
- 18. But be ve alad
- and rejoice for ever in that which I create:
- for, behold.
 - I create Jerusalem a rejoicing, and her people a joy.

19. And I will rejoice in **Jerusalem**, and joy in my people:

and the voice of weeping

shall be no more heard in her, nor the voice of crying.

20. There shall be

no more thence

an infant of days, nor

an old man that hath not filled his days: for the child

shall die an hundred years old; but the sinner being an

hundred years old

shall be accursed.

21. And they shall build

houses, and inhabit them; and they shall

plant vineyards.

and eat the fruit of them.

22. They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people.

and mine elect shall long enjoy the work

of their hands.

23. They shall not labour

in vain, nor bring forth for trouble:

for they are the

seed of the blessed

of the LORD, and their offspring with them.

24. And it shall come to

pass, that before they call, I will answer; and while

they are yet speaking. I will hear.

25. The wolf and the lamb П

shall feed together, and the lion shall eat straw

like the bullock; and dust shall be the serpent's meat. They shall not hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 66

■ 1. Thus saith the LORD, The heaven is my throne, and ■ the earth is my footstool:

■ I where is the house that

■ | ve build unto me?

and where is

the place of my rest?

■ 2. For all those things hath

mine hand made, and all those things have been, saith the LORD:

but to this man will I look, even

to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and

trembleth at my word.

3. He that killeth an ox is as if he slew a man:

he that sacrificeth a lamb. as if he cut off a dog's neck:

he that offereth an oblation, as if he offered swine's blood: he that burneth incense, as if he blessed an idol.

Yea.

they have chosen their own ways, and their soul delighteth in their abominations.

4 Lalso will choose

their delusions, and will bring their fears upon them:

because when I called. none did answer: when I spake, they did not hear: but

they did evil before mine eyes, and chose that in which I delighted not.

> Hear the word of the LORD. ye that tremble at his word:

Your brethren that hated you. that cast you out for my

name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified:

but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed.

> 6. A voice of noise from the city, a voice from the temple, a voice of the LORD that rendereth recompence to his enemies.

Before she travailed, she brought forth; before her pain came, she was delivered of a man child.

8. Who hath heard such a thing? who hath seen such things? Shall the earth be made to bring forth in one day? or shall a nation be born at once? for as soon as Zion travailed, she brought forth her children.

9. Shall I bring to the birth, and not

cause to bring forth? saith the LORD: shall I cause to bring forth, and shut the womb? saith thy God.

10. Rejoice ye with Jerusalem, and be glad with her, all ye that love her: rejoice for joy with her, all ye that mourn for her:

11. That ye may suck, and be satisfied with the breasts of her consolations; that ye

may milk out, and
be delighted with the
abundance of her glory.

12 For thus saith the LORD Beho

12. For thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will extend peace to her like a river, and the glory of the Gentiles like a flowing stream: then shall ye suck, ye shall be borne upon her sides, and be dandled upon her knees.

13. As one whom his mother comforteth, so will I comfort you; and ye

shall be comforted in Jerusalem.

14. **And** when we see this.

your heart shall rejoice, and your bones shall flourish like an herb:

LORD shall be known toward his servants, and his indignation toward his enemies.

15. For, behold,

come with fire,

and with his chariots like a whirlwind, to render his anger with fury, and his rebuke with flames of fire.

16. For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead
 with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many.

17. They that sanctify themselves, and purify themselves in the gardens behind

one tree in the midst,
eating swine's flesh, and
the abomination,
and the mouse.

shall be consumed

together, saith the LORD. 18. For I *know* their works and their thoughts: it shall come, that

I will gather all nations and tongues;

and they shallcome, and see my glory.

19. And I will set a sign
 among them, and I will
 send those that escape of
 them unto the nations, to

Tarshish, Pul, and Lud, that draw the bow, to Tubal, and Javan, to the isles afar off, that have not heard my fame, neither have seen my glory; and they shall declare my glory among the Gentiles.

20. And they shall bring all your brethren tor an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts.

to my holy mountain
 Jerusalem, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD.

21. And I will also
take of them for
priests and for
Levites, saith the LORD.

22. **For** as

the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make.

shall remain before me, saith the LORD,

me, saith the LORD,
so shall your seed
and your name
remain.

23. And it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another.

and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before

■ me, saith the LORD.

24. And they shall go forth, and look upon the carcases

of the men that have transgressed against

me: for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be guenched; and

■ | they shall be an

■ abhorring unto all flesh.

THE BOOK OF JEREMIAH

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CHAPTER 1

- 1 The words of
- Jeremiah the son of Hilkiah, of the priests that were in Anathoth in the land of Benjamin:
- 2. To whom the word of the
- LORD came in the days of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, in the thirteenth year of his reign.
 - 3. It came also in the days of Jehojakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the end of the eleventh year of Zedekiah the son of Josiah king of Judah, unto the carrying away of Jerusalem captive in the fifth month.
 - 4. Then the word of the LORD came unto me,
- savina.
- 5. Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of
- the womb I sanctified thee.
- ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.
- 6. Then said I. Ah.
- Lord GOD! behold.
- I cannot speak:
- for I am a child.
- 7. But the LORD said unto me. Say not, I am a child: for
 - thou shalt go to all that
- I shall send thee, and whatsoever I command thee
 - thou shalt speak.
- 8. Be not afraid
 - of their faces: for
- I am with thee

to deliver thee, saith the LORD.

- 9. Then the LORD put forth his hand, and
- touched my mouth. And the LORD
- said unto me,
- | Behold, I have put my words in thy mouth.
- 10. **See, I have** this day
- set thee over the nations
- and over the
- kingdoms, to root out, and to pull down, and to
- destroy, and to throw down,

- to build, and to plant.
- 11. Moreover the word of
- the LORD came unto me.
 - saying, Jeremiah,
- what seest thou? And I said. I see
- a rod of an almond tree.
- 12. Then said the LORD unto me. Thou hast well seen; for
- I will hasten my word to perform it.
- 13. And the word of the LORD
- came unto me
- the second time, saying, 8
 - What seest thou?
- And I said, I see
- a seething pot; and the face thereof is
- toward the north.
 - 14 Then the LORD said unto me. Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.
 - 15. For. lo.
- I will call all
- the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD;
- and they shall come, and
- thev shall set every one
- his throne at the entering of
- the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about,
- and against all the cities of Judah.
- 16. And I will utter my
- judgments against them touching all their wickedness,
- who have forsaken me.
 - and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.
- 17. Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and
- arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee:
- be not dismayed at their faces. lest I confound thee before them. 18. For, behold.
- I have made thee this day
- a defenced city, and an iron

pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.

- 19. And they shall fight
- against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for
- I am with thee, saith the LORD,
- to deliver thee.

CHAPTER 2

- 1.1. Moreover the word of
- the LORD came to me,
- saying,
- 2. **Go** and
- cry in the ears of Jerusalem, saying.

Thus saith the LORD:

■ I remember

thee, the kindness of thy youth, the love of thine espousals,

- when thou wentest after me
- in the wilderness, in a land that was not sown.
- 3. Israel was holiness unto the LORD, and the firstfruits of his increase: all that devour him shall offend; evil shall come upon them, saith the LORD.
 - 4. Hear ye the word of the LORD, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel:
 - 5. Thus saith the LORD,
- What iniquity have your
- fathers found in me, that
- they are gone far from me.

and have walked after vanity,

- | and are
- become vain?
- 6. Neither said they,
 - Where is the LORD that
 - brought us up
- | Out of the land of
 - Egypt, that led us through the wilderness, through a land of deserts and of pits, through a land of drought, and of the shadow of death, through a land that no man passed through, and where no man dwelt?
- 7. And I brought you into aplentiful country,

to eat the fruit thereof

and the goodness thereof; but when ve entered.

- ye defiled my land, and made mine heritage an abomination.
 - 8. The priests said not, Where is the LORD? and they that handle the law knew me not:
- the pastors also
- transgressed against me,
- and the prophets prophesied by Baal, and
 - walked after things that do not profit.
- 9 Wherefore I will yet plead with you,

saith the LORD, and with your children's children will I plead.

- For pass over the isles of Chittim, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.
- 11. Hath a nation changed their gods, which are yet no gods? but
- my people have changed their glory for that which doth not profit.
 - 12. **Be astonished.**
 - O ye heavens, at this,
- and be horribly
- afraid, be ye very desolate,
- saith the LORD.
- 13. For my people have committed two evils; they
- the fountain of living waters.
- and hewed them
 out cisterns, broken
- cisterns, that can
- Cisierns, indica
 I hold no water.
- 14. Is Israel a servant? is he a homeborn slave? why is he spoiled? 15. The young lions roared upon him,
 - and velled, and
- they made his land waste:

 his cities are burned

without inhabitant.

- Also the children of Noph and Tahapanes have broken the crown of thy head.
- 17. Hast thou not procured this unto thyself, in that thou hast forsaken the

- LORD thy God, when he led thee by the way?
- 18. And now what hast thou to do in the way of Egypt, to drink the waters of Sihor? or what hast thou to do in the way of Assyria, to drink the waters of the river?
- 19. Thine own wickedness
 shall correct thee, and thy
 backslidings shall reprove thee: know
 therefore and see that
- it is an evil thing and bitter,
 that thou hast forsaken the
- that thou hast forsakenLORD thy God, and that
- my fear is not in thee, saith the Lord GOD of hosts.
- 20. For of old time I have broken thy yoke, and burst thy bands; and thou saidst. I will not transgress; when
- upon every high
- hill and under every green
- tree thou wanderest,
- 21. **Ýet I** had
 - planted thee
- a noble vine, wholly a right seed:
 - how then
- art thou turned into

the degenerate plant of

- a strange vine unto me?
- 22. For though
- thou wash thee
- With nitre, and take thee much
- soap, *yet* thine iniquity is marked
- before me. saith
- Defore me, saith
 I the Lord GOD.
- 23. How canst thou say,
- I have not gone afterBaalim? see thy wayin the valley.
- know what thou hast done:

thou art a swift dromedary traversing her ways;

- 24. A wild ass used to the wilderness, that snuffeth up the wind at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.
- 25. Withhold thy foot from being unshod, and thy throat from thirst: but

- thou saidst, There is no hope: no; for I have loved strangers, and after them will I go.
- 26. As the thief is ashamed when he is found, so is the house of
- Israel ashamed;

they, their kings, their princes, and their priests, and their prophets. 27. Saying to a stock, Thou art my father; and to a stone, Thou hast brought me forth: for

- they have turned *their*
- back unto me, and not their face but in the time of their
- but in the time of their
 trouble they will say,
 Arise, and save us.
- 28. But where are thy gods that thou hast made thee?
- let them arise, if they can
- save thee in the time of thy trouble: for according to the number of thy cities are thy gods, O Judah.
 29. Wherefore will ye plead with me?
- ye a⊪
- have transgressed
- against me, saith the LORD.
- 30. In vain have I smitten
 your children; they
 received no correction:
 - your own sword hath devoured your prophets, like a destroying lion.
 - 31. O generation, see ye the word of the LORD. Have I been a wilderness unto Israel? a land of darkness? wherefore say my people, We are lords; we will come no more unto thee?
 - 32. Can a maid forget her ornaments, or a bride her attire?

yet my people have forgotten me days without number.

- 33. Why trimmest thou thy way to seek love? therefore hast thou also taught the wicked ones thy ways.
- 34. Also in thy skirts is found the blood of the
- souls of the poor
- innocents: I have not found it by secret search, but upon all these.
- 35. **Yet thou sayest,** Because
 - I am innocent, surely his anger shall turn from me. Behold, I will plead

with thee, because thou savest.

I have not sinned.

■ 36. Why gaddest thou about so much

to change thy way? thou also shalt be ashamed of Egypt, as thou wast ashamed of Assyria.

37. Yea, thou shalt ao forth from him, and thine hands upon thine head: for the LORD hath rejected thy confidences.

and thou shalt not prosper

CHAPTER 3

1. They say.

If a man put away his wife,

and she go from him, and

become another man's.

shall he return

unto her again?

shall not that land be greatly

polluted? but thou hast played the harlot

with many lovers:

vet return again to me. saith the LORD.

2. Lift up thine eves unto the high places.

and see where thou hast not been lien with. In the ways hast thou sat for them, as the Arabian in the wilderness; and thou

hast polluted the

land with thy

whoredoms and with thy wickedness

3. Therefore the showers have been withholden.

and there hath been no latter rain: and

thou hadst a whore's forehead.

thou refusedst to

be ashamed.

4. Wilt thou not from this time Cry unto me, My father, thou art the guide of my youth?

■ 5. Will he reserve his anger for ever? will he keep it to the end? Behold, thou hast spoken and done evil things as thou couldest.

6. The LORD said also unto me in the days of Josiah the king.

Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath

. done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there

hath played the harlot.

And I said after she had done all. these things. Turn thou unto me. But she returned not. And her

treacherous sister Judah saw it

8 And I saw

when for all the causes whereby

backsliding Israel

committed adultery I had

put her away, and

given her a bill of divorce: vet

her treacherous sister

Judah feared not, but went and played the

harlot also.

> 9. And it came to pass through the lightness of her whoredom, that she defiled the land, and committed adultery with stones and with stocks.

10. And vet for all this her treacherous sister

Judah hath not turned

unto me with her whole heart, but feignedly, saith the LORD.

11 And

the LORD said unto me. The

backsliding Israel hath iustified herself more than treacherous

8 Judah.

12. Go and proclaim these

words toward the north.

and sav.

Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD:

and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and

I will not keep anger for ever.

13. Only

acknowledge thine iniquity,

that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and

ye have not obeyed my

voice, saith the LORD.

- 14. Turn. O backsliding children.
- saith the LORD: for ■ I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion:

15. And I will give you

Dastors according to mine heart.

which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding.

16. **And** it shall come to pass, when ve be multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, saith the LORD,

they shall say no more. The ark of the covenant of the

LORD: neither shall it come to mind:

■ neither shall they

remember if; neither shall they visit it; neither shall that be done

any more.

17. At that time

they shall call Jerusalem the throne of the LORD:

and all

the nations shall be

aathered unto it, to the name of the LORD, to Jerusalem: neither shall they walk any more after the imagination of their evil heart.

18. In those days the house of

Judah shall walk with

the house of

■ Israel, and

they shall come together

out of the land of

the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance

unto your fathers.

19. But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? and I said.

Thou shalt call me. My ■ father; and shalt not

turn away from me.

20. Surely as a wife treacherously departeth from her husband, so have ■ ve dealt treacherously

with me, O house of

■ Israel. saith the LORD.

21. A voice was heard upon the high places.

weeping

and supplications of the children of

Israel: for they have

perverted their way, and they have forgotten the

LORD their God.

22. Return, ve backsliding children.

and I will heal your

backslidings.

Behold, we come unto thee; for thou art the LORD our God.

23. Truly in vain is salvation hoped for from the hills, and from the multitude of mountains: truly in

the LORD our God

is the salvation of Israel.

24. For shame hath devoured the labour of our fathers from our youth: their flocks and their herds, their sons and their daughters.

25. We lie down

in our

shame, and our

confusion covereth us:

for we have sinned

against the LORD our God, we and our fathers, from our youth even unto this day, and have not obeyed the voice of the LORD our God.

CHAPTER 4

- 1 1. If thou will return.
- O Israel.

saith the LORD, return unto me:

- and if thou wilt
- put away thine

abominations out of my sight,

then shalt thou not remove. 2. And thou shalt swear. The LORD

liveth, in truth, in judgment, and in righteousness; and the nations shall bless themselves in him, and in him shall they glory.

For thus saith the LORD to the men of Judah and Jerusalem.

Break up your fallow

ground, and sow not among thorns.

4. Circumcise yourselves to the LORD,

and take away the

foreskins of your heart.

ve men of Judah and inhabitants of Jerusalem:

- lest my fury come forth like fire, and burn that none can guench it, because of the evil of your doings.
- 5. Declare ye in Judah,
- **and** publish in
- Jerusalem; and say, Blow ye the trumpet in the land; cry, gather together.
- and say, Assemble yourselves, and let us
 - go into the defenced cities.
- 6. Set up the standard
- toward Zion: retire.
- stay not: for I will bring evil from the north, and a areat destruction.
 - 7. The lion is come up from his thicket, and
- the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way;
- he is gone forth from his place
- to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste. without an inhabitant
 - 8. For this
- gird you with sackcloth, lament and howl:
- for the fierce
- anger of the LORD is not turned back from us.
 - 9. And it shall come to pass at that day, saith the LORD, that the heart of the king shall perish, and the heart of the princes; and the priests shall be astonished, and the prophets shall wonder.
- 10. Then said I. Ah.
 - Lord GOD!
- surely thou hast greatly
- deceived this people and
- Jerusalem, saying, Ye
 - shall have peace; whereas the sword reacheth unto the soul.
- 11. At that time shall it be said to this people and to
- Jerusalem, A dry wind of the high places in the wilderness
 - toward the daughter of my people, not to fan, nor to cleanse.
- 12. Even a full wind from those places shall come unto me:
- now also

- will I give sentence against them.
- 13. Behold, he shall come up **GS** clouds, and his chariots shall be as
 - a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles.
- Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.
- 14. O Jerusalem, wash thine heart from
- wickedness, that thou
- mayest be saved.
 - How long shall thy vain thoughts lodge within thee?
 - 15. For a voice declareth from Dan, and publisheth
 - affliction from mount Ephraim.
 - Make ve mention to the nations; behold, publish against Jerusalem, that watchers come from a far country, and give out their voice
- against the cities of Judah.
 - 17. As keepers of a field, are they against her round about:
- because she hath been rebellious against me.
- saith the LORD.
 - 18. Thy way and thy doings have procured these things unto thee; this is thy wickedness, because it is bitter, because it reacheth unto thine heart.
 - 19. My bowels, my bowels!
- I am pained at my very heart;
- my heart maketh a noise in me:
- I cannot hold my peace, because
- thou hast heard.
 - O my soul, the sound of the trumpet.
- the alarm of war.
- 20. **Destruction** upon destruction is cried; for the whole land is spoiled: suddenly are my tents spoiled, and my curtains in a moment.
- 21. How long shall I see the standard, and
- hear the sound of the trumpet?
- 22. For my people is foolish, they
- have not known me;

they are sottish children, and they have none understanding:

they are wise to do evil. but to do good they have no knowledge.

23. I beheld the earth.

and lo. it was

■ I without form, and void;

and the heavens, and they ■ had no light.

24. I beheld

■ the mountains, and, lo, they

trembled, and all

the hills moved lightly.

25. I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds

of the heavens were fled.

26. I beheld, and, lo,

the fruitful

place was a wilderness.

and all

the cities thereof

were broken down at the presence of the LORD.

and by his fierce anger. 27. FOI thus hath

the LORD said. The whole land shall be desolate:

vet will I not make a full end. 28. For this shall the earth mourn. and the heavens above be black: because I have spoken it.

have purposed it, and

■ | will not repent, neither will I ■ I turn back from it.

29. The whole city shall flee for the noise of the horsemen and bowmen: they shall go

into thickets. and climb up upon the rocks: every city shall be forsaken,

and not a man dwell therein.

> 30. And when thou art spoiled, what wilt thou do? Though thou clothest thyself with crimson, though thou deckest thee with ornaments of gold, though thou rentest thy face with painting, in vain shalt thou make thyself fair; thy lovers will despise thee, they will seek thy life.

31. For I have heard a voice as of a woman in travail. and the anguish as of her that

bringeth forth her first child.

the voice of the daughter

of Zion, that bewaileth herself, that spreadeth her hands, saving.

Woe is me now! for

my soul is wearied

■ because of murderers.

CHAPTER 5

■ I 1. Run ye to and fro

through the streets of Jerusalem, and see

> now, and know, and seek in the broad places thereof.

if ve can find a man. if there be any

that executeth judament. that seeketh the truth; and

I will pardon it.

2. And though they say, The LORD liveth; surely they swear falsely.

O LORD.

are not thine eyes upon the truth?

thou hast stricken them, but they have not grieved;

thou hast consumed them, but they have refused to receive correction: they have made their faces harder than a rock:

they have refused to return.

4. Therefore I said. Surely these are poor;

they are foolish: for

they know not the way of

the LORD, nor the judament of their God.

5. I will aet me unto

the great men,

and will speak unto them; for they have known the way

of the LORD.

and the judgment of their God:

but these have altogether

broken the voke, and burst the

bonds.

6 Wherefore a lion

out of the forest

shall slay them, and a wolf of the evenings shall spoil them, a leopard shall watch over their cities: every one that goeth out thence shall be torn in pieces: because

their transgressions

are many, and their backslidings are ■ increased.

7. How shall I pardon thee for this? thy children have forsaken me, and sworn by them that are no gods: when I had fed them to the full.

thev then

committed adultery, and

assembled themselves by troops in the harlots' houses.

8. They were as fed horses in the morning:

every one neighed after his neighbour's wife.

9. Shall I not

visit for these things? saith the LORD: and shall not my soul

be avenged on such a nation as this?

10. **Go** ye up

upon her walls, and

destroy; but make not a full end:

take away her battlements:

for they are not the LORD'S.

11. For the house of

Israel and the house of

Judah have dealt very

treacherously against me,

saith the LORD.

12. They have belied the LORD, and

said. It is not he: neither

shall evil come upon us: neither shall we see sword nor famine:

13. And the prophets shall become wind.

and the word is not in them: thus shall it be done unto them.

14. Wherefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, Because ve speak this word.

behold, I will make my

■ | words in thy mouth

■ fire, and this people

wood, and it shall

devour them.

15. **Lo, I will bring** a nation

upon you from far, O house of Israel, saith the LORD: it is

a mighty nation, it is an ancient nation, a nation whose language thou knowest not, neither understandest

what they say.

16. Their quiver is as an open sepulchre, they are all mighty men.

17. And they shall eat up thine harvest, and thy bread. which thy sons and thy daughters should eat: they shall eat up thy flocks and thine herds: they shall eat up thy vines and thy fig trees:

they shall impoverish thy fenced

cities, wherein thou trustedst.

with the sword.

18. Nevertheless

in those days, saith the LORD.

I will not make a full end with you.

19. And it shall come to pass, when ve shall say. Wherefore doeth the LORD our God all these *things* unto us? then

shalt thou answer them. Like as ye have forsaken me, and

served strange gods in your land, so shall ye serve strangers in a land

that is not yours. 20. Declare this in

the house of Jacob, and publish it in

Judah, saying, 21. **Hear** now this.

O foolish people.

and without understanding:

which have eyes, and see not: which have ears.

and hear not:

> 22. Fear ye not me? saith the LORD:

will ve not tremble at

my presence, which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it?

23. But this people hath a revolting and

a rebellious heart;

they are revolted and gone.

24. Neither say they in their heart.

Let us now

- fear the LORD our God. that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.
- 25. Your iniquities have turned away these things, and your
- sins have withholden good things from you.
- 26 For among my people are found wicked men: they lay wait, as he that setteth snares; they set a trap, they catch men. 27. As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses
- I full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich.
 - 28. They are waxen fat, they shine: yea, they overpass the deeds of the wicked; they judge not the cause, the cause of the fatherless, yet they prosper; and the right of the needy do they not judge.
 - 29. Shall I not visit for these things? saith the LORD:
- shall not my soul be avenaed on such a nation as this?
- 30. A wonderful and
- I horrible thing is
- committed in the land:
- 31. The prophets prophesy ■ falsely, and the priests
- bear rule by their means;
- and my people love to have
- if so: and what will ye do in the end thereof?

- O ve children of Benjamin.
- gather yourselves to flee
- **Out** of the midst
- of Jerusalem, and blow the trumpet in Tekoa, and set up a sign of fire in Beth-haccerem:
- for evil appeareth out of ■ | the north, and great destruction.
- 2. I have likened the daughter of
- Zion to a comely and
- delicate woman.

- 3. The shepherds with their flocks
- shall come unto her: they shall pitch their tents against her round about; they shall feed every one in his place.
- 4. Prepare ye war against her; arise, and let us go up at noon. Woe unto us! for the day goeth away. for the shadows of the evening are stretched out.
- 5. Arise, and let us go by night, and let us destroy her palaces.
 - 6. For thus hath the LORD of hosts said. Hew ve down trees, and cast a mount against Jerusalem: this is the city to be visited; she is wholly oppression in the midst of her.
- 7. As a fountain casteth out her waters, so
- she casteth out her
- wickedness: violence and
 - spoil is heard
- in her; before me continually is grief and wounds.
- Be thou instructed. O Jerusalem.
 - lest my soul depart from thee:
- lest I make thee desolate. a land not inhabited.
 - Thus saith the LORD of hosts.
- They shall throughly
- glean the remnant of
 - Israel as a vine:
 - turn back thine hand as a grapegatherer into the baskets.
- 10. To whom shall I speak, and
- give warning, that they may hear? behold, their ear is uncircumcised, and they cannot hearken: behold.
- the word of the LORD is unto them a reproach: they
- have no delight in it.
- 11. Therefore I am full of the
- fury of the LORD;
 - I am weary with holding in:
- I will pour it out upon the children abroad, and upon
- the assembly of young men together; for even the husband with the wife shall be taken, the aged with him that is full of days.

12. And their houses shall be turned unto others, with their fields and wives together; for

I will stretch out my hand upon the inhabitants of

I the land, saith the LORD.

13. For from the least of them even unto the greatest of them

every one *is* given to covetousness; and

from the prophet even unto the priest every one

■ dealeth falsely.

■ 14. They have healed also

■ the hurf of the daughter

of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace;

when there is no peace.

■ 15. Were they ashamed when they had

committed abomination?

nay, they were not at all ashamed.

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neither could they blush:

therefore they shall fall among them that fall: at the time that I visit them

■ they shall be cast down, saith the LORD.

16. Thus saith the LORD,

Stand ye in the ways, and see, and **ask** for the old paths.

where is the good way, and

walk therein, and ye shall

find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein. 17. Also I set watchmen

over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet.

■ But they said, We will

■ not hearken.

18. **Therefore** hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what *is* among them.

19. Hear, O earth: behold,

I will bring evil upon thispeople,

even the fruit of their thoughts,

because they have not hearkened unto

my words, nor to

my law, but rejected it.

20. To what purpose cometh there to

me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country?

your burnt offerings are not acceptable.

nor your sacrifices sweet unto me.
21. Therefore thus saith

the LORD, Behold,

I will lay stumblingblocksbefore this people,

and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish.

22. Thus saith the LORD,

Behold, a people cometh from the north country, and

a great nation shall be

raised from the sides of the earth.

23. **They shall** lay hold on bow and spear; they *are* cruel, and have no mercy; their voice roareth like the sea; and they ride upon horses, set in array as men for

war against thee,O daughter of Zion.

24. We have heard the fame thereof: our hands wax feeble: anguish hath taken hold of us, *and* pain, as of a woman in travail.

25. **Go not** forth

into the field, nor walk by the way; for

the sword of the enemy and fear is on every side.

26. O daughter of my people, gird thee with sackcloth,

and wallow thyself in

■ **ashes:** make thee mourning, as for an only son, most bitter lamentation:

for the spoiler shall suddenly come upon us.

27. I have set thee *for* a tower *and* a fortress among my people, that thou mayest know and try their way.

■ 28. They *are* all grievous revolters,

walking with slanders: they are brass and iron; they are all corrupters.

29. The bellows are burned, the lead is consumed of the fire; the founder melteth in vain; for the wicked are not plucked away.

30. Reprobate silver shall men call them, because the

I■I LORD hath rejected them.

CHAPTER 7

- I 1. The word that
- came to Jeremiah from the LORD.
- saying,
- 2. Stand in the gate of the LORD'S house.
- and proclaim there
- this word, and say.
- Hear the word of the LORD.
- all ve of Judah, that enter in at these gates to worship the LORD. 3. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel.
- Amend your ways and ■ Your doings, and I will cause you to dwell in this place.
- 4. Trust ye not in lying ■ Words, saying. The temple of the LORD. The temple of the LORD. The temple of the LORD, are these.
- 5. For if ye throughly
- amend your ways and your doings; if ye throughly execute judgment between a man and his neighbour:
 - 6. If ye oppress not the stranger, the fatherless, and the widow, and shed not innocent blood in this place, neither walk after other gods to vour hurt:
- 7. Then will I cause you to ■ dwell in this place, in the land that I gave to your fathers. for ever and ever.
 - 8. Behold, ye trust in lying words, that cannot profit.
- 9. Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal. and walk after other gods whom ve know not:
- 10. And come and
- **stand before me** in this house, which is called by my name.
- and say, We are delivered to do all these ■ abominations?
- 11. Is this house, which is
- called by my name,

become a den of robbers

in vour eyes? Behold, even I have seen it, saith the LORD.

- 12. But go ye now
 - unto my place which was in
- Shiloh, where I set my name at the first.
- and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel.
 - 13. And now, because
 - ve have done all
 - these works, saith the LORD. and I spake unto you, rising up early and speaking, but ye heard not; and I called you, but ye
 - answered not:
 - 14. Therefore will I do unto

this house, which is called by my name, wherein ve trust, and unto the place which I gave to

- **YOU** and to your fathers,
- as I have done to Shiloh.
- 15. And I will cast you out of my sight, as I have cast out all your brethren, even the whole seed of
 - Fohraim. 16. Therefore
- pray not thou
- for this people,

neither lift up cry nor prayer for them. neither make intercession to me:

- for I will not hear thee.
- 17. Seest thou not what they do in the cities of Judah
 - and in the streets of Jerusalem?
 - 18. The children gather wood, and
- the fathers kindle the fire.
- and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to
- pour out drink
- offerings unto other gods,
 - that they may provoke me to anger.
- 19. Do they provoke
- me to anger? saith the LORD: do they not provoke themselves to the confusion of their own faces? 20. Therefore thus
 - saith the Lord GOD;
- Behold, mine anger and my
- fury shall be poured out
- upon this place, upon man, and

upon beast, and upon the trees of the field, and upon the fruit of the ground;

and it shall burn, and

shall not be quenched.

21. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Put your burnt offerings unto your sacrifices, and eat flesh.

22. For I spake not unto your fathers.

nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices:

23. But this thing commanded I them, savina. Obev my voice. and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people:

and walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded

you, that it may be well unto you.

24. But they hearkened not. nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward. and not forward

25. Since the day that

■ | your fathers came forth

out of the land of

Egypt unto this day

I have even

sent unto you all my servants

the prophets, daily rising up early and sending them:

26. Yet they hearkened not unto me, nor inclined their ear.

but hardened their neck: they

did worse than their fathers.

27. Therefore thou shalt

speak all

these words unto them:

but they will not hearken to thee: thou shalt also call unto them; but they will not answer thee.

28. But thou shalt say unto them,

This is a nation that obeyeth not the voice

of the LORD their God.

nor receiveth correction:

truth is perished, and is cut off from their mouth.

29. Cut off thine hair. O

Jerusalem, and cast it away, and

take up a lamentation on high places;

for the LORD hath rejected and

forsaken the generation of his wrath.

30. For the children of

Judah have done evil

in my sight, saith the LORD:

they have set their

abominations in the house

which is called by my

name, to pollute it.

31. And they have built the high places

of Tophet, which is in the valley of the son of Hinnom.

to burn their sons and their daughters

in the fire; which I commanded them not, neither came it into my heart.

32. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more

be called Tophet, nor the valley of the son of Hinnom, but

the valley of slaughter: for they shall bury in Tophet, till there be no place.

33. And the carcases of this people

shall be meat for

the fowls of the heaven.

and for the

beasts of the earth;

and none shall fray them away.

 Then will I cause to cease from the cities of Judah

and from the streets of Jerusalem, the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride: for

the land shall

be desolate.

CHAPTER 8

At that time, saith the LORD.

they shall bring out

the bones of the kings of Judah. and the bones of his princes, and the bones of the priests, and the bones of the prophets, and the bones

of the inhabitants of Jerusalem, out of their graves: 2. And they shall

spread them before the sun, and the

moon, and all the host of heaven, whom they have loved, and whom they have served, and after whom they have walked, and whom they have sought, and

whom they have

worshipped: they shall not be gathered, nor be buried:

they shall be for dung upon the face of the earth.

3 And death shall be

chosen rather than life by all the residue of

them that remain

of this evil family, which remain in all the places whither I have driven them, saith the LORD of hosts.

4. Moreover thou shalt say unto them. Thus saith the LORD: Shall they fall, and not arise? shall he turn away, and not return?

5. Why then is this people of

Jerusalem slidden back by a perpetual backsliding? they hold fast deceit.

■ they refuse to return.

I hearkened and heard.

buf they spake not aright: no man repented him

of his wickedness, saying, What have I done? every one turned to his course, as the horse

rusheth into the battle. ■ 7. Yea, the stork in the ■ I heaven knoweth her appointed times; and the turtle

and the crane and the swallow observe the time of their comina:

but my people know not the judgment of the LORD.

■ 8. How do ye say, We are wise, and the law of the LORD is with us? Lo, certainly in vain made he it: the pen of the scribes is in vain.

9. The wise men are ashamed, they are dismayed and taken: lo, they have rejected the word of the LORD: and

what wisdom is in them?

10. Therefore will I give their wives unto others, and their fields to them that shall inherit them: for every one from the least even unto the greatest is given to covetousness,

from the prophet even unto the priest every one dealeth falsely.

11. For they have healed the

hurt of the daughter

of my people slightly, saying, Peace, peace;

when there is no peace. 12. Were they ashamed

when they had

committed abomination?

nay. they were not at all ashamed. neither could they blush:

therefore shall they fall among them that fall: in the time of their visitation

they shall be cast down. saith the LORD.

13. I will surely consume them, saith the LORD: there shall be no grapes on the vine, nor figs on the fig tree, and the leaf shall fade:

and the things that I have given them shall pass

away from them. 14. Why do we sit still?

assemble yourselves. and let us enter into the defenced cities, and let us be silent there:

for the LORD our God hath put us to silence,

and given us water of gall to drink,

because we have sinned against the LORD.

15. We looked for peace. but no good came: and for a time of

health, and behold trouble!

16. **The** snorting of his horses was heard from Dan: the whole land trembled at the sound of the neighing of his

strong ones; for they ■ are come, and have

devoured the land, and all that is in it; the city, and those that dwell therein.

17. For, behold,

I will send serpents,

cockatrices, among you, which will not be charmed,

and they shall bite you, saith the LORD.

- 18. When I would comfort myself against sorrow, my heart is faint in me.
- 19. **Behold** the voice of
- the cry of the daughter of my people because
- of my people because of them that dwell in a far country:
- Is not the LORD in Zion?
 is not her king in her?
- Why have they provoked me to anger with their graven images, and with strange vanities?
- 20. The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we
- are not saved.
- 21. For the hurt of the daughter of
- my people am I hurt;

l am black; astonishment hath taken hold on me.

- 1 22. *Is there* no balm in
- Gilead; is there no physician there?
- why then
 is not the
 - is not the health of

the daughter of

■ my people recovered?

CHAPTER 9

■ | 1. Oh that

my head were waters,

and mine eyes a fountain

of tears, that I might weep day and night for

the slain of the daughter of

my people!

■ 2. Oh that I had in the wilderness

a lodging place of wayfaring men:

that I might leave my

people, and go from them!

for they be all adulterers,

an assembly of

■ treacherous men.

3. **And** they bend their tongues *like* their bow *for* lies: but

they are not valiant for the truth upon the earth; for they

proceed from evil

to evil, and they know not me, sa

know not me, saith the LORD.

4. Take ye

■ heed every one of his neighbour,

■ and trust ye

not in any brother: for every brother will utterly supplant, and every neighbour will walk with slanders.

5. And they will deceive every one his neighbour, and will not speak the truth:

they have taught their tongue to speak lies, and

weary themselves to commit iniquity.

6. Thine habitation is in the midst of deceit:

through deceit they refuse

to know me, saith the LORD.

7. Therefore thus saith the LORD.

of hosts, Behold.

I will melt them, and

try them; for how shall I do for the daughter of my people?

8. Their tongue is as an arrow shot out; it speaketh deceit:

one speaketh peaceably to his neighbour with his mouth.

but in heart he layeth

his wait.

 Shall I not visit them for these things? saith the LORD:

shall not my soul be avenged on such a natio

avenged on such a nation as this?

10. For the mountains will I take up a weeping and wailing, and for the habitations of the wilderness a lamentation, because they are burned up, so that none can

pass through them; neither can men hear the voice of the cattle; both the fowl of the heavens and the beast are fled; they are gone.

■ 11. And I will make
■ Jerusalem heaps,

■ and a den of dragons;

and I will make

the cities of Judah

desolate, without an inhabitant.

12. Who is the wise man, that

I may understand this?

and who is he to whom the mouth of the LOBD hath spoken, that he

may declare it, for what the land perisheth and is burned up like a wilderness, that none passeth through?

■ 13. And the LORD saith,

■ Because they have forsaken my law

which I set before them, and have not obeyed

my voice, neither

■ walked therein;

14. But have walked after the imagination of their own heart, and

after Baalim, which their fathers taught them:

15. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,

I will feed them, even this people,

with wormwood,

and give them water of gall to drink.

16. I will scatter them also among the heathen,

whom neither they nor their fathers have known:

■ and (will

send a sword after them,till I have consumed them.

17. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Consider ye, and

■ call for the mourning

Women, that they may come; and send for cunning *women*,

■ that they may come:

18. And let them make haste, and

take up a wailing for us,

that our eyes may run down with tears, and our eyelids gush out with waters.

19. For a voice of wailing is heard out of Zion.

How are we spoiled!

■ we are greatly

Confounded, because we have forsaken the land, because our dwellings have cast us out.
 Yet hear the word of the LORD,

O ye women, and let your ear

receive the word of his mouth,

and teach your daughterswailing, and

every one her neighbour

■ lamentation.

■ 21. For death is come

up into our windows, and is entered into our palaces, to cut off the children from without, and the young men from the streets.

22. Speak, Thus saith the LORD, Even the carcases of men shall fall as dung upon the open field, and as the handful after the harvestman, and none shall gather them.

23. Thus saith the LORD,

Let not the wise man glory in his wisdom, neither let

■ the mighty man glory

in his might, let not the rich man glory in his riches:

24. But let him that glorieth

glory in this, that he understandeth and

knoweth me, that I am

the LORD which exerciselovingkindness, judgment,

and righteousness,

in the earth:

for in these things I delight, saith the LORD.

■ 25. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD,

■ that I will punish all

■ them which are

circumcised with the

uncircumcised;

26. **Egypt**, and **Judgh**, and

■ Judan, ■ Edom.

and the children of

■ Ammon, and

■ Moab, and all that are in

the utmost corners, that dwell in the wilderness: for all

these nations are

■ uncircumcised, and all the

■ house of Israel *are*

uncircumcised in the heart.

CHAPTER 10

1. **Hear ye** the word which the LORD speaketh unto you,

■ O house of

Israel:

- 2. Thus saith the LORD.
- Learn not the way of the
- heathen, and be not
- dismayed at the signs of heaven: for
- - the heathen

are dismayed at them.

- 3. For the
- customs of the people
 - are vain: for one cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe.
 - 4. They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not.
 - 5. They are upright as the palm tree. but speak not: they must needs be borne, because they cannot go.
- Be not afraid of them: for they cannot do evil.
- neither also
- is it in them to do good.
- 6. Forasmuch as there is
- none like unto thee. O
- LORD; thou art great.
 - and thy name is great in might.
- 7. Who would not fear thee.
- O King of nations? for to thee doth it appertain: forasmuch as
- among all the wise men of the nations.
- and in all their
- kingdoms, there is none
- like unto thee.
 - 8. But they are altogether brutish and
- foolish: the stock is a doctrine of vanities.
 - 9. Silver spread into plates is brought from Tarshish, and gold from Uphaz. the work of the workman
- and of the hands of the founder: blue and purple is their clothing: they are all the work of
- cunning men.
- 10. But the LORD is the true God, he is the
- living God, and an
- everlasting king: at his wrath
- the earth shall fremble.
 - and the nations
- shall not be able to

abide his indignation.

- 11. Thus shall ye say unto them, The gods that have not made the heavens and the earth, even they shall perish from the earth, and from under these heavens.
- 12. He hath made the earth
 - by his power, he hath established the world by his wisdom,
- and hath stretched out the heavens by his
- discretion.
- When he uttereth his
- VOICE, there is a multitude of waters. in the heavens, and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth:
- he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the
- wind out of his treasures.
- 14. Every man is brutish in his knowledge: every founder is confounded by the graven image: for
- his molten image
 - is falsehood.

- and there is no breath in them.
- 15. They are vanity, and the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.
- 16. The portion of Jacob is not like them: for he is the former of all things; and
- Israel is the rod of his inheritance: The LORD of hosts is his name.
 - 17. Gather up thy wares out of the land. O inhabitant of the fortress.
- 18. For thus saith the LORD.
- Behold, I will sling out the inhabitants of the land
 - at this once, and will distress them. that they may find it so.
- 19. Woe is me for my hurt! my wound is grievous; but I said, Truly this is a grief,
- and I must bear it. 20. My tabernacle is
 - spoiled, and all my cords are broken: my children are gone forth of me, and they are not:
- there is none to stretch forth my tent any more,
 - and to set up my curtains.

- 21. For the pastors
- have not sought the LORD:
- therefore they shall not prosper, and all their flocks
- prosper, and all their flocks shall be scattered.
 - 22. Behold, the noise of the bruit is come, and a great commotion out of the north country, to make the cities of Judah desolate, *and* a den of dragons.
- 23. O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself:
- it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps.

24. O LORD,

- correct me, but
- with judgment; not in thine
- anger, lest thou bring me to nothing.
- 25. Pour out thy fury uponthe heathen that know thee
- not, and upon the families
- that call not on thy name:
 for they have eaten up Jacob, and
 devoured him, and consumed him,
 and have made his habitation
 desolate.

- 1. The word that came ■ 1 to Jeremiah from
- the LORD saying,
- 2. Hear ye the words of this
- covenant, and
- speak unto the men of
- Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem;
 - 3. And say thou unto them,
- Thus saith the LORD God of Israel;
- Cursed *be* the man that
- obeyeth not the words of
- this covenant,
- 4. Which I commanded
- your fathers in
- the day that
- I brought them forth
- Out of the land of
- **Egypt**, from the iron furnace, saying,
- Obey my voice,
- **and do** them, according to

- I **all** which
- I command you: so shall ye be my people, and I will be your God:

 5. That I may
- perform the oath which I have sworn unto your fathers, to
- give them a land flowing with milk and honey,
- as it is this day.

 Then gnswered I, and said.
- So be it, O LORD.
- 6. Then the LORD said
- Proclaim all these words
- in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem,
- saying, Hear ye the words
- of this covenant, and do them.
- 7. For I earnestly protested unto your fathers in the day that I brought them up out of the land of Egypt, even unto this day, rising early and protesting, saying, Obey my voice.
 8. Yet they
- obeyed not, nor inclined their ear, but walked every one in the imagination of their evil heart: therefore I will bring upon them all
 the words of this covenant,
- which I commanded them to do: but they did them not.
- 9. And the LORD said unto me,
- A conspiracy is found
- among the men of Judah, and
 - among the inhabitants of
 - Jerusalem.
- 10. They are turned back to the iniquities of their forefathers, which refused to hear my words; and they went after other gods to serve them: the house of Israel and the house of Judah
- have broken my covenant
- which I made with
- their fathers.
- 11. Therefore
 - thus saith the LORD, Behold,
- I will bring evil upon them, which they shall not be

able to escape:

and though they shall cry unto me, I will not hearken unto them.

- 12 Then shall the cities of
- Judah and inhabitants of
- Jerusalem go. and
- cry unto the gods unto
- whom they offer incense:
- but they shall not save
- them at all
- in the time of their
- trouble.
 - 13. For according to the number of thy cities were thy gods. O Judah; and according to the number of the streets of Jerusalem have ye set up altars to that shameful thing, even altars to burn incense unto Baal.
- 14. Therefore pray not thou
- for this people, neither lift up a cry or prayer for them:
- for I will not hear them

in the time that they cry unto me for their trouble.

- 15. What hath my beloved to do in mine house, seeing
- she hath wrought lewdness with many, and the holy flesh is passed from thee?
- when thou doest evil. ■ then thou rejoicest.
 - 16. The LORD called thy name, A green olive tree, fair, and of goodly fruit: with the noise of a great turnult he hath kindled fire upon it, and the branches of it are broken.
- 17. For the LORD of hosts. that planted thee.
- hath pronounced evil against thee, for the evil of the house of
- Israel and of the house of Judah.
- which they have done
- against themselves to provoke me to anger in
- offering incense unto Baal.
- 18. And the LORD hath given me knowledge of it.
 - and I know it: then thou
- shewedst me their doings.
 - 19. But I was like a lamb or an ox that is brought to the slaughter; and I knew not that they had

- devised devices
 - against me, saving, Let us destroy the tree with the fruit thereof, and let us cut
 - him off from the land of the living.
- that his name may be no
- more remembered.
 - 20. But. O LORD

of hosts, that judgest righteously. that triest the reins and the heart.

- let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I revealed my cause.
- 21. Therefore thus saith the LORD of the men of Anathoth
- that seek thy life, saying,
 - Prophesy not

in the name of the LORD.

- that thou die not
- by our hand:
- 22. Therefore thus
- saith the LORD of hosts, Behold. I will punish them:
 - the young men shall die by the sword; their sons and their daughters shall die by famine:
- 23. And there shall be no remnant of them: for I will bring evil upon the men of Anathoth, even the year of their visitation.

- Righteous art thou, O
- LORD, when I plead with thee: yet
- let me talk with thee of thy judgments: Wherefore doth
 - the way of
- the wicked prosper?
- wherefore are all
- they happy that deal very treacherously?
- Thou hast planted them. yea, they have taken root:
- they grow, yea, they bring forth fruit: thou art near in their
- mouth, and far from their reins.
- 3. **But thou,** 0 LORD,
- knowest me: thou hast seen me. and
- tried mine heart toward thee:
- pull them out like sheep
 - for the slaughter, and prepare them for the day of slaughter.

- 4. How long shall the land mourn, and the herbs of every field wither.
- for the wickedness of them that dwell therein? the heasts are consumed, and the birds: because they said. He shall not see our last end
- 5. If thou hast run with the footmen, and they have wearied thee, then
- how canst thou contend with horses? and if in

the land of

- **Deace**, wherein thou trustedst.
- thev wearied thee, then how will thou do in the
- swelling of Jordan? 6. For even thy brethren, and
- the house of thy father, even they have dealt treacherously
- with thee; yea, they have called a multitude after thee:
- believe them not, though they speak fair words unto thee.
- 7 I have forsaken mine
 - house. I have left mine heritage; I have given the dearly beloved of my soul into the hand of her enemies.
- 8 Mine heritage is unto me as a lion in the forest; it crieth out against me:

therefore have I hated it.

- 9. Mine heritage is unto me as a speckled bird, the birds round about are against her; come ye, assemble all the beasts of the field, come to devour.
- 10. Many pastors have destroyed my vineyard,

they have trodden my portion under foot, they have made my pleasant portion a desolate wilderness.

- 11. They have made it desolate, and being desolate it mourneth unto me; ■ | the whole land is made
- desolate, because no man layeth it to heart.
 - 12. The spoilers are come upon all high places through the wilderness: for
- the sword of the LORD shall
 - devour from the one end of

- the land even to the other end of the land:
- no flesh shall have peace. 13. They have sown wheat.

but shall reap thorns:

they have put themselves to pain, but shall not profit; and they shall be ashamed of your revenues because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

- 14. Thus saith
- the LORD against
- all mine
- evil neighbours, that touch the inheritance which
- I have caused
- my people Israel to
- inherit: Behold.
- I will pluck them out
- of their land, and pluck out the house of Judah from among them.
- And it shall come to pass.
- after that I have plucked them out I will return, and have compassion on them, and
- will bring them again.
 - every man to his heritage, and every man to his land.
- And it shall come to pass.
- if they will diligently learn the ways of my people, to
- swear by my name,
- The LORD liveth; as they taught my people to swear by Baal;
 - then shall they be built in the midst of
- my people.
- 17. But if they will
- not obey.
- I will utterly pluck up and
- destroy that nation. saith the LORD.

- Thus saith the LORD
 - unto me. Go and
- **get** thee
- a linen girdle, and put it upon thy loins,
 - and put it not in water.
 - 2. So I got a girdle according to the word of the LORD, and
- put it on
 - my loins.

- 3 And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying,
- 4. Take the girdle that thou hast got,
- which is upon thy loins, and arise.
- go to Euphrates, and hide it there in a hole of the rock.
- 5. So I went, and
- hid if by Euphrates, as the LORD commanded me.
- 6. And it came to pass after many days, that
- the LORD said unto me,
- go to Euphrates, and take the girdle from thence, which I commanded thee to hide there.
- 7. Then I went to Euphrates.
- and digged, and took the girdle from the place where I had hid it:
- and, behold, the girdle was marred.
 - it was profitable for nothing.
- 8. Then the word of
- the LORD came unto me, saving. 9. Thus
- saith the LORD, After this manner will I mar the pride of Judah, and the great pride of Jerusalem.
- 10. This evil people, which refuse to hear my words, which walk in the imagination of their heart, and
- walk after other gods, to serve them.
- worship them, shall even
- be as this girdle, which is good for nothing.
 11. For as the girdle
- cleaveth to the lains of
- a man, so have I caused
- to cleave unto me
 - the whole house of
- Israel and the whole house of Judah, saith the LORD:
- that they might be
- unto me for
- a people, and for a name, and for a praise, and for a glory:
 - but they would not hear.
 - 12. Therefore thou shalt speak

- unto them this word: Thus saith the LORD God of Israel.
- Every bottle shall be filled with wine: and they shall say unto thee. Do we not certainly know that every bottle shall be filled with wine? 13. Then shalt thou say unto them,
 - Thus saith the LORD.
- Behold, I will fill all the inhabitants of
- this land, even the kings that sit upon David's throne, and the priests. and the prophets, and all the inhabitants of Jerusalem.
- with drunkenness.
- 14. And I will dash them one against another.

even the fathers and the sons together, saith the LORD:

- I will not pity, nor spare, nor have mercy, but
- destroy them.
 - 15. Hear ye, and
- give ear; be not proud: for the LORD hath spoken.
- 16. Give glory to the LORD your God, before he cause darkness, and
- before your feet stumble upon the dark mountains, and, while ve look for light, he turn it
- into the shadow of death. and make it gross
- darkness.
- 17. But if ye will not hear it, my soul shall weep in secret places for your pride; and
- mine eve shall weep sore, and run down with tears.
- because the LORD'S flock is carried away captive.
 - 18. Say unto the king and to the gueen.
- Humble yourselves, sit down:
- for your principalities shall come down.
 - even the crown of your glory.
- 19. The cities of the south
- shall be shut up, and none shall open them:
- Judah shall be carried
 - away captive all of it, it shall be wholly carried away captive.

- 20. Lift up your eyes, and behold them that come from the north: where is the flock that was given thee, thy beautiful flock?
- 21. What wilt thou say whenhe shall punish thee?

for thou hast taught them to be captains, and as chief over thee:

- shall not sorrows take thee, as a woman in travail?
- 22. And if thou say in thine heart,
- Wherefore come these things upon me? For the greatness of
- thine iniquity are thy skirts discovered, and thy heels made bare. 23. Can the Ethiopian change his skin, or the leopard his spots? then may ye also do good, that are accustomed to do evil. 24. Therefore
- will I scatter them

as the stubble that passeth away by the wind of the wilderness.

- 25. This is thy lot,
- the portion of thy measures from me,
- saith the LORD; because thou hast forgotten me,
 and trusted in falsehood.

26. Therefore will I discover thy skirts upon thy face, that thy shame may appear.

- 27. I have seen thine adulteries, and thy neighings, the lewdness of thy whoredom, and thine
- **abominations** on the hills in the fields.
- Woe unto thee,
- O Jerusalem! wilt thou not be made clean? when shall it once be?

CHAPTER 14

- 1. The word of the LORD
- that came to Jeremiah

 concerning the dearth.
- 2. Judah mourneth, and the gates thereof languish; they are black unto the ground; and the cry
- of Jerusalem is gone up.

 3. And their nobles have
 sent their little ones to the

waters: they came to the

- pits, and found no water;
 they returned with their
 vessels empty:
 - they were ashamed and confounded, and covered their heads.
 - 4. Because the ground is chapt,
- for there was no rain in the earth, the plowmen were ashamed, they covered their heads.
 - 5. Yea, the hind also calved in the field, and forsook *it*, because there was no grass.
 - 6. And the wild asses did stand in the high places, they snuffed up the wind like dragons; their eyes did fail, because there was no grass.
- 7. O LORD, though our iniquities testify against us, do thou it for thy name's sake: for
- our backslidings are many; we have sinned against thee.
 - 8. O the hope of Israel, the saviour thereof in time of trouble,
- why shouldest thou be as a stranger in the land, and as a wayfaring man that turneth aside to tarry for a night?
 - 9. Why shouldest thou be as a man astonied, as a mighty man *that* cannot save? yet
- thou, o LORD,
- art in the midst of us, and
 we are called by thy name;
 - 10. Thus saith the LORD unto this people, Thus have they loved to wander, they have not refrained their feet, therefore the LORD doth not accept them; he will now remember their iniquity, and visit their sins.
- 11. Then said the LORD unto me.
- Pray not for this people for their good.
- 12. When they fast, I will not hear their cry; and when they offer burnt offering and an oblation,
- I will not accept them: but
- I will consume them by the sword, and by the
- famine, and by the pestilence.
- I | 13. **Then said I,** Ah,

- I Lord GOD! behold.
- the prophets say unto them, Ye shall not see the
- sword, neither shall ye have
- famine: but I will give you assured peace in this place.
 - 14 Then the LORD said

unto me. The prophets prophesy lies in my name: I sent them not, neither have I commanded them, neither spake unto them:

- they prophesy unto you a false vision and divination. and a thing of nought, and the deceit of their heart.
 - 15. Therefore thus saith the LORD concerning the prophets that prophesy in my name, and I sent them not, yet they say, Sword and famine shall not be in this land:
- By sword and famine shall those prophets
- be consumed.
- 16. And the people to whom they prophesy
- shall be cast out

in the streets of Jerusalem because of the famine and the sword:

- and they shall have none to bury them, them, their wives, nor their sons, nor their daughters; for
- I will pour their wickedness upon them.
 - 17. Therefore thou shalt
- say this word unto them:
- Let mine eyes run down
- with tears night and day,
- and let them
- not cease: for

the virgin daughter of

my people is broken

with a great breach, with a very grievous blow.

18. If I go forth into the field, then behold the slain with the sword! and if I enter into the city, then behold them that are sick with famine! yea, both the prophet and the priest go about into a land that they know not.

- 19. Hast thou utterly ■ rejected Judah?
 - hath thy soul lothed Zion?
 - why hast thou smitten us.

and there is no healing for us? we looked for peace. and there is no good; and for the time of healing.

- and behold trouble! 20. We acknowledge. OLORD
 - our wickedness. and the iniquity of our fathers:
- for we have sinned
- against thee.
- 21. Do not abhor us. for thy name's sake, do not disgrace the throne of thy glory: remember,
- break not thy covenant with us.
- 22. Are there any among the vanities of the
- Gentiles that can cause
- rain? or

- can the heavens
- **give showers?** art not thou he, **O LORD** our God? therefore
- we will wait upon thee:
- for thou hast made all these things.

CHAPTER 15

Then said the LORD

unto me, Though Moses and Samuel stood before me, yet my mind could not be toward this people:

- cast them out of my sight. and let them go forth.
- And it shall come to pass,
- if they say unto thee,
- Whither shall we go forth? then thou shalt
- tell them, Thus saith the LORD; Such as are for death.
- to death:

and such as are for the sword.

to the sword:

and such as are for the famine.

to the famine: and

such as are for the captivity,

- to the
- captivity.
- 3. And I will appoint over them
- four kinds, saith the LORD: **-** 1
- the sword to slay, and
- the dogs to tear, and
- the fowls of the heaven.
- and the beasts of the earth.

- | to devour and destroy.
- 4. And I will cause them to be removed into all kinadoms of
 - the earth, because of Manasseh the son of Hezekiah king of Judah, for that which he did in Jerusalem.
- 5. For who shall have pity upon thee, O Jerusalem? or who shall bemoan thee? or who shall go aside to ask how thou doest?
 6. Thou hast forsaken me.
 - 6. **Thou hast forsaken me,** saith the LORD,

thou art gone backward:

- therefore will I stretch out
- my hand against thee,
- and destroy thee; I amweary with repenting.
 - 7. And I will fan them with a fan in the gates of the land; I will bereave *them* of children,
- I will destroy my people
 since they return not from
 their ways.
 - 8. Their widows are increased to me above the sand of the seas:
- I have brought upon them against the mother of the young men
- a spoiler at noonday:
- I have caused

him to fall upon it suddenly, and terrors upon the city.

- 9. She that hath borne seven languisheth: she hath given up the ghost; her sun is gone down while it was yet day: she hath been ashamed and confounded: and the residue of them will I deliver to the sword before their enemies. saith the LORD.
- 10. Woe is me, my mother, that thou
- hast borne me a man of strife and a man of contention to the
- whole earth! I have neither lent on usury, nor men have lent to me on usury; yet
- every one of them
- doth curse me.
- 11. The LORD said, Verily
 It shall be well with thy
- remnant; verily
 - I will cause the enemy to
 - entreat thee well in the time of

- evil and in the time of affliction.
- 12. Shall iron break the northern iron and the steel?
- 13. **Thy** substance and thy
- treasures will I give to the spoil without price, and that for all
 - thy sins, even in all thy borders.
- 14. And I will make thee to
- **pass** with thine enemies
- into a land which thou knowest not: for
- a fire is kindled in
- mine anger, which
- shall burn upon you.
- 15. O LORD, thou knowest:
- remember me, and visit me, and
- revenge me of my
- persecutors; take me not away in thy longsuffering: know that
- for thy sake
- I have suffered rebuke.
- 16. Thy words were found, and
- I did eat them;
- and thy word was
- unto me the
- **iOy** and rejoicing of mine heart:
- for I am called by thy
- name. O LORD God of hosts.
 - 17. I sat not in the assembly of the mockers, nor rejoiced:
- I sat alone because of thy hand; for
- thou hast filled me with indignation.
 - 18. Why is my pain perpetual, and my wound incurable, which refuseth to be healed? wilt thou be altogether unto me as a liar, and as waters that fail?
- 19. Therefore thus saith the
- LORD, If thou return, then will I bring thee again, and thou shalt
- stand before me: and

if thou take forth the precious from the vile, thou shalt

- be as my mouth:
 - let them return unto thee; but return not thou unto them.
- 20. And I will make thee unto this people
- wall: and they shall fight
 - against thee, but they
- **shall not prevail** against thee:

- I for I am with thee
- to save thee
- and to
- deliver thee, saith the LORD.
- 21. And I will deliver
- thee out of the hand
- of the wicked, and I will redeem thee out of the hand of the terrible.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. The word of the LORD
 - came also unto me,
- saying,
- 2. Thou shalt not take thee
- a wife, neither shalt thou
- have sons or daughters
- in this place.
- 3. For thus saith the LORD concerning
- the sons and concerning the
- daughters that are
- born in this place, and concerning
- their mothers that bare them,
- **and** concerning their
- fathers that begat them in this land:
 - 4. They
 - shall die of grievous dealhs;
- they shall not be lamented;
- neither shall they be
- buried; but they shall be as dung upon the face of the earth: and they shall be consumed by the sword, and by famine; and
- their carcases shall be
- meat for the fowls of heaven,
- and for
- the beasts of the earth.
 - 5. For thus saith the LORD,
- Enter not into the house of
- mourning, neither go to lament nor bemoan them:
- for I have taken away my peace from this people,
 - saith the LORD,
- even lovingkindness
- and mercies.
- 6. Both the great and the
- small shall die in this land: they shall not be buried, neither shall men lament for them, nor cut themselves, nor make themselves bald for them:

- 7. Neither shall *men* tear *themselves* for them in mourning, to comfort them for the dead; neither shall *men* give them the cup of consolation to drink for their father or for their mother.
- 8 Thou shalt not
 - also go into the house of feasting, to sit with them to eat and to
- drink.9. For thus saith the LORD of hosts,
 - the God of Israel; Behold,
 I will cause to cease

out of this place in your eyes, and in your days,

■ the voice of mirth, and

the voice of

■ gladness,

the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride.

- 10. And it shall come to pass,
- when thou shalt
- shew this people all
 - these words, and they shall
- **SQy** unto thee,

Wherefore hath the LORD pronounced all this great

- evil against us?
 - or what is our iniquity?
- or what is our sin that we have committed against the LORD our God?
 - 11. Then shalf thou say
- Because your fathers
 have forsaken me. saith
- the LORD, and have
 walked after other gods.

and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me,

- and have not kept my law;
- 12. And ye have done worse than your fathers;

for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me:

- 13. Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not,
 - neither ye nor your fathers:
- and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where
 - I will not shew you favour.

- 14. Therefore, behold,
- the days come, saith the LORD,
- that it shall no more
- be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt;

15. But,

- The LORD liveth,
- that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had

and from all the lands whither he ha driven them: and I will bring them

again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.

16. Behold,

- I will send for many
- fishers, saith the LORD,
 and they shall fish them:
- and after will I send for many
- hunters, and they shall hunt
- them from every mountain, and from every hill, and out of the holes of the rocks.
- 17. For mine eyes are upon all their ways:
- they are not hid from my
 face, neither is their iniquity
 hid from mine eyes.

18. And first

- I will recompense their
- iniquity and their sin
- double; because
- they have defiled my land,

 they have filled mine
- inheritance with

the carcases of their detestable and abominable things.

abominable thing 19. O LORD,

my strength, and my fortress, and my refuge in the day of affliction,

the Gentiles shall

from the ends of the earth.

- and shall
- say, Surely
- our fathers have inherited lies, vanity, and
- things wherein there is no profit.
 - 20. Shall a man make gods unto himself, and they are no gods?
 - 21. **Therefore**, behold, I will his once cause them to know, I

will cause them to know mine hand and my might; and

they shall know that my

CHAPTER 17

- 1. The sin of Judah
 is written with a pen
- of iron, and with the point of a diamond: it is graven upon the table of their heart, and
- upon the horns of
- your altars;
- 2. Whilst their children
- remember their
- altars and their
- **groves** by the green trees upon the high hills.
- 3. O my mountain in the field,
- I will give thy substance and all
 thy treasures to the spoil,

and thy high places for sin, throughout all thy borders.

- 4. And thou, even thyself,
- shalf discontinue from thine heritage that I gave thee; and I will cause thee to
- serve thine enemies in the land which thou knowest
- **not:** for ye have kindled a fire in mine anger, which shall burn for ever.
 - 5. Thus saith the LORD;
- Cursed *be* the man that
- trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the LORD.
- 6. For he shall be like the heath in the desert, and shall not see when good cometh; but shall
- inhabit the parched places in the wilderness,
- in a salt land and not inhabited.
- 7. Blessed is the man that trusteth in the LORD,

and whose hope the LORD is.

8 For he shall be as a tree planted by the waters,

and that spreadeth out her roots by the river,

- and shall not see
- when heat cometh, but
 - her leaf shall be green;

and shall not be careful in

the year of drought. neither shall cease from vielding fruit. 9. The heart is deceifful ■ above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it? 10. I the LORD search the heart, / try the reins, even to give every man according to his ways, and

according to the fruit of his doings.

11. As the partridge sitteth on eggs, and hatcheth them not: so

he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave

them in the midst of his days,

and at his end shall be a fool.

> 12. A alorious high throne from the beginning is the place of our sanctuary.

13. O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, and they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain

14. **Heal me,** O LORD, and I shall be healed; save me, and I shall be saved: for thou *art* my praise.

15. Behold, they say unto me, Where is the word of the LORD? let it come now.

16. As for me

of living waters.

I have not hastened from being a pastor to follow thee: neither have I desired the woeful day:

thou knowest: that which came out of my lips was right before thee.

■ 17. **Be** not a terror unto me: thou art my hope in the day of evil.

18. Let them be confounded that persecute me.

but let not me be confounded: let them be dismayed, but let not me be dismayed: bring upon them the day of evil.

and destroy them

with double destruction.

19. Thus said the LORD unto me:

Go and stand in the gate

of the children of the people. whereby the kings of Judah come in, and by the which they go out, and in all the gates

of Jerusalem:

20. And say unto them,

Hear ve the word of

the LORD, ye kings of Judah. and all Judah, and all the

inhabitants of Jerusalem. that enter in by these gates: 21. Thus saith the LORD:

Take heed to vourselves, and

bear no burden on the

sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem;

22. Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the sabbath day.

neither do ve any work, but hallow ve the sabbath day.

as I commanded your fathers.

23. But they obeyed not, neither inclined their ear, but made their neck stiff, that they might not hear, nor receive instruction.

24. And it shall come to pass,

if **ve** diligently

hearken unto me.

saith the LORD, to bring in no burden through the gates of this city on the sabbath day, but hallow the sabbath day, to do no work therein:

25. **Then** shall there enter into the gates of this city kings and princes sitting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem: and

this city shall remain

for ever.

26. And they shall come from the cities of Judah.

and from the places about

Jerusalem, and from the land of Benjamin, and from the plain, and from the mountains, and from the south, bringing burnt offerings, and

sacrifices, and meat offerings, and incense, and

bringing sacrifices of praise, unto the house of

the LORD.

27 But if ve will not hearken unto me to hallow the

sabbath day, and not to

bear a burden, even entering in at the gates of Jerusalem

on the sabbath day; then ■ | will | kindle a fire

in the gates thereof,

■ and it shall devour the palaces of

Jerusalem, and it shall not be guenched.

CHAPTER 18

■ I 1. The word which came to Jeremiah from the LORD.

sayina.

2. Arise, and go down to the **potter's house**, and there I will cause thee to hear my words.

3. Then I went down

to the potter's house,

and, behold.

he wrought a work

on the wheels.

4. And the vessel that he

made of clay

was marred in the hand of the

so he made it again another vessel, as seemed good to the potter to make it.

5. Then the word of the LORD came to me, saying,

6. O house of

Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter?

saith the LORD. Behold.

as the clay is in the potter's

hand, so *are* ye in mine hand. O house of Israel.

> 7. At what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to pluck up, and to pull down, and to destroy it:

8. If that nation, against whom I have pronounced. turn from their evil. I will repent of the evil that I

thought to do unto them.

9. And at what instant I shall speak concerning a nation, and concerning a kingdom, to build and to plant it:

10. If it do evil in my sight, that it obey not my voice.

then I will repent of the good, wherewith I said I would

benefit them. Now therefore go to.

speak to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of

Jerusalem, saying, Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I frame evil against you, and devise a device against you:

return ye now

every one from his evil

WQV, and make your ways and your doings good.

12. And they said, There is no hope: but

we will walk after our own devices, and we will every one do

the imagination of his evil heart.

13. Therefore thus

saith the LORD: Ask ve now

among the heathen, who hath heard such things:

the virgin of

Israel hath done a very horrible thing.

14. Will a man leave the snow of Lebanon which cometh from the rock of the field? or shall the cold flowing waters that come from another place be forsaken?

15. Because my people hath forgotten me, they have burned incense to vanity, and they have caused them to stumble in their ways from the ancient paths, to walk in paths, in a way not cast up;

> 16. To make their land desolate, and a perpetual hissing; every one that passeth thereby shall be astonished, and wag his head.

17. I will scatter them as with an east wind

before the enemy; I will shew them the back, and not the face, in the day of their calamity.

18. Then said they,
Come and

■ let us devise devices■ against Jeremiah; for the

law shall not perish

from the priest,

nor counsel from the wise,

nor the word

from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the

tongue, and let us

not give heed to any
of his words.

■ 19. Give heed to me, O

LORD, and hearken to the voice of them that contend with me.

20. Shall evil be recompensed for good? for they have digged a pit for

my soul.

Remember that I stood
before thee to speak good

for them, and to

■ turn away thy wrath

from them.

21. Therefore deliver up

their children to the

famine, and pour out their blood by the force of the sword; and let their wives be bereaved of their children, and be widows; and

let their men be put to

death; let their young men be slain by the sword in battle.

22. Let a cry be heard from their houses, when thou shalt bring a troop suddenly upon them: for they have digged a pit to take me, and hid snares for my feet.

■ 23. **Yet,** LORD,

thou knowest all their counsel against me to

■ | slay me:

forgive not their iniquity, neither blot out their sin from thy sight, but

■ let them be overthrown before thee; deal thus with them in the time of thine anger.

CHAPTER 19

1. Thus saith the LORD, Go
 and get a potter's earthen
 bottle, and take of the ancients of

the people, and of the ancients of the

priests:

2. And go forth

 unto the valley of the son of Hinnom, which is by the entry of the east gate, and proclaim there the words that I shall tell thee,

3. And say, Hear ye the word of the LORD,

O kings of Judah, and inhabitants of Jerusalem; Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,

I will bring evil upon

this place, the which whosoever heareth, his ears shall tingle.

4 Because they have

Because they have forsaken me, and have estranged this place, and have

burned incense in itunto other gods, whom neither

they nor their fathers have known, nor the kings of Judah.

■ and have

filled this place with the blood of innocents;

5. **They have** built also the high places of Baal, to

burn their sons with firefor burnt offerings unto

Baai, which I commanded not, nor spake *it*, neither came *it* into my mind:

6. **Therefore**, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that **this place shall** no more

be called Tophet, nor The valley of the son of Hinnom, but

■ The valley of slaughter.

And I will make void the counsel of Judah and Jerusalem in this place; and

I will cause them to fall by the sword before their
 enemies, and by the hands of them that seek their lives: and their carcases will I give to be meat for the fowls of the heaven, and for the beasts of the earth.

8. And I will make this city
 desolate, and an hissing;
 every one that passeth

every one that passeth

shall be astonished and hiss because of all the

plaques thereof.

- 9. And I will cause them to eat the flesh of their sons
- and the flesh of their
- daughters, and they shall eat every one the flesh of his friend in the siege and straitness, wherewith their enemies, and they that seek their lives, shall straiten them.
- 10. Then shalt thou break
 the bottle in the sight of the
 men that go with thee,
 - 11. And shalt say unto them.

Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

■ Even so will I break this

■ people and this city,

as *one* breaketh a potter's vessel.

that cannot be made whole again:

- and they shall bury them in
 Tophet, till there be no
 place to bury.
 - 12. Thus will I do unto this place, saith the LORD, and to the inhabitants thereof, and even make this city as Tophet:
 - 13. And the houses of Jerusalem, and the houses of the kings of Judah, shall be defiled as the place of Tophet, because of all the houses upon whose roofs they have burned incense unto all the host of heaven, and have poured out drink offerings unto other gods.
- 14. Then came Jeremiah from Tophet, whither the
 LORD had sent him to prophesy; and he stood in the court of the LORD's house; and said
- to all the people.
- 15. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel;
- Behold, I will bring upon
- this city and upon all her towns all the evil
- that I have
- pronounced
- against it, because
- they have
- hardened their
 - necks, that they
- | might not hear

I■I my words

CHAPTER 20

■ | 1. Now Pashur

the son of Immer the priest,

- who was also chief
- governor in the house of
- the LORD, heard that
- | Jeremiah

prophesied these things.

- 2. Then Pashur smote
- Jeremiah the prophet,
- and put him in the stocks that were in the high gate of Beniamin, which was
- by the house of the LORD.
- 3. And it came to pass
- on the morrow, that
- Pashur brought forth
- | Jeremiah out of the stocks.
- Then said Jeremiah unto him,
- The LORD hath not
- **Called thy name** Pashur, but
- Magor-missabib.
- 4. For thus saith the LORD,
- Behold, I will make thee a terror to thyself, and to all
 - thy friends: and

- they shall fall by the sword of their enemies.
- and thine eyes shall
- behold it: and I will give all Judah into the hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall carry them captive into Babylon, and shall slay them with the sword.
- 5 Moreover I will deliver all the strength of this city, and all the labours thereof,

and all the precious things thereof, and all the treasures of the kings of Judah will I give

- into the hand of their
- enemies, which shall spoil them, and take them, and
- carry them to Babylon.
- 6. And thou, Pashur,
- and all that dwell in thine house shall go into captivity:
- and thou shalt come to Babylon, and there thou shalt die.

and shalt be buried there, thou, and all thy friends, to whom

thou hast prophesied lies.

7. O LORD.

thou hast deceived me. and I was deceived:

thou art stronger than I. and hast prevailed:

I am in derision daily.

every one mocketh me.

8. For since I spake, I cried out,

I cried violence and spoil;

because the word of the LORD was made a

reproach unto me, and a derision, daily.

9. Then I said, I will not make mention of him, nor

speak any more in his name. But his word was in mine heart

as a burning fire shut up in my bones,

and I was weary with forbearing. and I could not stay.

10. For I heard the defaming of many, fear on every side. Report, say they, and we will report it.

All my familiars watched for my halting, saying,

Peradventure he will be enticed, and we shall prevail against him, and

we shall take our revenge on him.

11. But the LORD is with me

as a mighty terrible one: therefore my persecutors

shall stumble, and they shall not prevail: they shall be greatly ashamed; for they shall not prosper: their everlasting confusion shall never

be forgotten.

12. But, O LORD of hosts, that triest the righteous, and seest the reins and the heart.

let me see thy vengeance on them: for unto thee have I opened my cause.

13. Sing unto the LORD.

praise ye the LORD: for he hath delivered the soul of

the poor from the hand

of evildoers.

14. Cursed be the day wherein 5. And I myself will fight

I was born: let not the day wherein my mother bare me be hlessed

15. Cursed be the man who brought tidings to

my father, saying, A man child is born unto thee; making him very glad. 16. And let that man be as the cities which the LOBD overthrew, and repented not: and let him hear the cry in the morning, and the shouting at noontide:

17. Because he slew me not from the womb:

> or that my mother might have been my grave, and her womb to be always great with me.

18. Wherefore came I forth

out of the womb to see labour and sorrow.

that my days should be

consumed with shame?

CHAPTER 21

1. The word which came unto Jeremiah from the LORD.

when king Zedekiah sent

unto him Pashur the son of Melchiah.

and Zephaniah

the son of Maaseiah the priest, saying,

2. Inquire, I pray thee,

of the LORD for us; for

Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon

maketh war against us;

if so be that the LORD will deal with us according to all his wondrous works. that he may go up from us.

3. Then said Jeremiah unto them, Thus shall ye say to Zedekiah:

4. Thus saith the LORD

God of Israel: Behold. I will turn back the

weapons of war that *are*

in your hands, wherewith ye fight against the king of Babylon, and against the Chaldeans, which besiege you without the walls, and I will assemble them into the miast of this city.

- 25. And

- I will give thee into the handof them that seek thy
- life, and into the hand of them whose face thou fearest.
 - even into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, and into the hand of the Chaldeans.
- 26. And I will cast thee out, and thy mother that bare thee,
- into another country, where ye were not born;
- and there shall ye die.
 - 27. But to the land whereunto they desire to return, thither shall they not return.
 - 28. Is this man Coniah a despised broken idol? is he a vessel wherein is no pleasure? wherefore are they cast out, he and his seed, and are cast into a land which they know not?
- 29. O earth, earth, earth, hear the word of the LORD.
- 30. Thus saith the LORD, Write ye
- this man childless, a man that shall not prosper
 - in his days: for no man of his seed shall prosper, silting
- upon the throne of David, and ruling any more in Judah.

CHAPTER 23

1. Woe be unto the pastors
that destroy and scatter
the sheep of my pasture!

saith the LORD.

- Therefore thus saith the LORD God of Israel against the pastors that feed my people;
- Ye have scattered
- my flock, and driven them away, and have not visited them: behold,
- I will visit upon you the evil
- of your doings, saith the LORD.
 - 3. And I will gather

the remnant of

- my flock out of all countries whither I have driven them,
- and will
- bring them again
- to their folds; and they
- shall be truitful and
- Increase.

- 4. And I will set upshepherds over them which
- shall feed them: and they
 shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall they be lacking, saith the LORD.
- 5. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD,
- that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and
- a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute iudament and justice
- in the earth.
 - 6. In his days Judah shall be saved, and Israel shall dwell safely: and this *is* his name whereby
- he shall be called,
 THE LORD OUR
 RIGHTEOUSNESS.
- 7. **Therefore,** behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that
- they shall no more say, The LORD liveth, which brought
- up the children of Israel out of the land of
 - Egypt;
- 8. But, The LORD liveth, which brought up and which
- led the seed of the house of Israel out of the north
 - country, and from all countries whither I had driven them;
- and they shall dwell in their own land.
- 9 Mine heart within me
- is broken because of the
- prophets; all my bones shake;
- i am like a drunken man, and like a man whom wine hath overcome,
- because of the LORD, and because of
- the words of his holiness.
 - For the land is full of adulterers; for because of swearing the land mourneth; the pleasant places of the wilderness are dried up, and their course is evil, and
 - their force is not right.
- 11. For both prophet and priest are profane; yea, in my house have I found

their wickedness, saith the LORD.

12. Wherefore their way shall be unto them as slippery ways in the darkness: they shall be driven on, and fall therein: for

I will bring evil upon them, even the year of their visitation, saith the LORD.

13. And I have seen folly in

the prophets of Samaria; they prophesied in Baal, and

- caused my people Israel to err.
 - 14. I have seen also in
 - the prophets of Jerusalem an horrible thing: they
- commit adultery,

they strengthen also the hands of evildoers, that none doth return from his wickedness:

- | they are all of them
- unto me as Sodom, and the inhabitants thereof as

■ Gomorrah.

15. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the prophets; Behold, I will feed them with wormwood, and make them drink the water of gall: for from the prophets of Jerusalem is profaneness gone forth into all the land.

16. Thus saith the LORD of hosts.

Hearken not unto the words of the prophets that prophesy unto you: they make you vain:

they speak a vision of their own heart, and not out of the mouth of the LORD.

17. They say still unto them that despise me, The LORD hath said,

Ye shall have peace; and they say unto every one that walketh after the imagination of his own heart.

No evil shall come upon you.

18. For who hath stood in the counsel of the LORD, and hath perceived and heard his word? who hath marked his word, and heard it?

■ 19. Behold, a whirlwind of the LORD is gone forth

in tury, even a grievous whirlwind:
it shall fall grievously
upon the head of
the wicked.

20. The anger of the LORD shall not return, until he have executed, and till he have performed the thoughts of his heart: in the latter days ye shall consider it perfectly.

21. I have not sent these
prophets, yet they ran:
I have not spoken to them,
yet they prophesied.

22. But if they had stood in my counsel, and had caused my people to hear my words, then they should have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their doings.

23. Am I a God at hand, saith the LORD, and not a God afar off?

24. Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the LORD. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the LORD.

25. I have heard what the prophets said, that prophesy lies

in my name, saying, I have dreamed.

26. How long shall *this* be in the heart of the prophets that prophesy lies? yea,

they are prophets of the deceit of their own heart:

deceif of their own h
27. Which think to

 cause my people to forget my name by their dreams which they tell every man to his neighbour,

as their fathers have forgotten my name for Baal.

28. The prophet that hath a dream, let him tell a dream; and he that hath my word, let him

speak my word faithfully. What is the chaff to the wheat? saith the LORD.

29. Is not my word like
as a fire? saith the LORD;
and like a hammer that

breaketh the rock in pieces?

30. Therefore, behold,

I am against the prophets, saith the LORD.

■ | that steal my words

every one from his neighbour.
31. Behold, I am against the prophets, saith the LORD, that use their tongues, and say, He saith.
32. Behold, I am against them

- that prophesy false dreams, saith the LORD,
 - and do tell them,
- and cause my people to

eff by their lies, and by their lightness; yet

■ I sent them not,

nor commanded them:

- therefore they shall not profit this people at all, saith the LORD.
- 33. And when this people, or the prophet, or a priest,
- shall ask thee, saying,
- What is the burden of the LORD? thou shall then
- Say unto them,
- What burden? I will even forsake you, saith the LORD.
 - 34. And *as for*
- the prophet, and the
- priest, and the people, that shall say, The burden
- I that shall say, the burden
 of the LORD, I will even
- punish that man and his house. 35. Thus shall ye say every one to his neighbour, and every one to his brother, What hath the LORD answered? and, What hath the

LORD spoken?

- 36. And the burden of the LORD shall ye mention
- no more: for every man's word shall be his burden;
- for ye have perverted the words of the living God,

of the LORD of hosts our God. 37. Thus shalt thou say to the prophet, What hath the LORD answered thee? and, What hath the LORD spoken?

■ 38. But since ye say, The burden of the LORD:

therefore thus saith the LORD; Because ye say this word, The burden of the LORD, and I have sent unto you, saying, Ye shall not say, The burden of the LORD:

- 39. **Therefore,** behold, I, even
- I I, Will utterly forget you, and I will forsake you, and the city that I gave you and your fathers, and
- cast you out of
- my presence:
- 40. And I will bring an
- everlasting reproach
 - **upon you,** and a perpetual shame, which shall not be forgotten.

CHAPTER 24

- 1. The LORD shewed me, and, behold,
- two baskets of figs were set before the temple
 - of the LORD,
- after that
- Nebuchadrezzar

king of Babylon had

- | carried away captive
- **Jeconiah** the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah.
- and the princes of Judah, with the carpenters and smiths, from Jerusalem, and had brought them
 - to Babylon.
- 2. One basket had very
- **good figs,** even like the figs that are first ripe:
 - and the other basket had very naughty
- figs, which could
- not be eaten, they were so bad.

 3. Then said the LORD
 - 3. Then said the LORD unto me.
- What seest thou, Jeremiah?
- And I said, Figs; the
- good figs, very good;
- and the
- **evil**, very evil, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.
- 4. Again the word of
- the LORD came unto me, saying,
 - Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel;
- Like these good figs, so will
 I acknowledge them that are carried away captive of Judah, whom
- have
- sent out of this place into the

- fand of the Chaldeans for their good.
- 6. For I will set mine eyes upon them for good, and
- I will bring them again to
- this land: and I will build them, and not pull them down; and I will plant them, and not pluck them up.
- 7. And I will give them an heart to know me. that I am the LORD:
- (and they shall be my people, and I will be
 - their God: for they shall return unto me with their whole heart.
- 8. And as
 - the evil figs, which cannot be eaten, they are so evil; surely thus saith the LORD. So will I give Zedekiah the king of Judah. and his princes, and the residue of Jerusalem, that remain in this land, and them that dwell in the land of Egypt:
 - 9. And
- I will deliver them
- to be removed into all the
- **=**1 kingdoms of the earth for their hurt. to be a reproach
- and a proverb, a taunt and a curse.
- in all places whither I shall drive them.
 - 10. And I will send the sword. the famine, and the pestilence. among them.
- till they be consumed from off the land that I gave unto them and to their fathers

CHAPTER 25

- 1 1. The word that came to Jeremiah
- concerning all the people of Judah in the fourth year of
- Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that was the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon:
 - 2. The which
- Jeremiah the prophet
- spake unto all the
 - people of Judah, and to all the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

sayina.

- 3. From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even unto this day, that is the three and twentieth year, the word of the LORD hath come unto me, and
- I have spoken unto you. rising early and speaking; but ve have not hearkened
- 4. And the LORD hath sent
- unto you all his servants the prophets.

rising early and sending them; but ve have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.

- 5. They said. Turn ye again now every one from his evil
 - way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever:
 - 6. And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them. and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I will do vou no hurt.
- 7. Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith
 - the LORD: that ye might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.
 - 8. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts: Because ye have not heard mv words.
 - 9. Behold.
- I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and
- Nebuchadrezzar

the king of Babylon, my servant. and will bring them

- against this land.
- and against
- the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about.
- and will utterly
- destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.
- 10. Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice
- of gladness, the voice of the

bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle.

11. And this whole land

- **shall** be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall
- serve the king of Babylon seventy years.
- 12. And it shall come to pass.
- when seventy years are accomplished, that
- I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation.
- saith the LORD.
- for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.
- 13 And I will bring upon that land
- all my words which I have pronounced against it, even all that is
- written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied
- against all the nations. 14. For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also:
- and I will recompense them according to their deeds,
 - and according to the works of their own hands
- 15. For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me:
- Take the wine cup of this I fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I
- send thee, to drink it.
- 16. And they shall drink, and **be moved**, and be mad. because of the sword that I will send among them.
- 17. Then took I the cup at the LORD'S hand, and made all the nations to drink.
- unto whom the LORD had sent me:
- 18. To wit, Jerusalem, and the cities of
- Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as it is this day: 19. Pharaoh king of
 - Egypt, and his servants, and his

princes, and all his people:

- 20. And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of
- Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon. and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashdod
 - 21. Edom, and Moab, and the children of Ammon.
 - 22. And all the kings of
- Tyrus, and all the kings of **Zidon,** and the kings of the isles which are beyond the sea.
 - 23. Dedan, and Tema, and Buz, and all that are in the utmost corners,
 - 24. And all the kings of
- Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert.
 - 25. And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes
 - 26. And all
- the kings of the north, far and near, one with another,
- and all the kinadoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth; and the king of Sheshach
- shall drink after them.
- 27. Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:
- Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue.
- and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.
- 28. And it shall be,
- if they refuse to take the
- CUP at thine hand
- to drink, then shalt thou
- say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts:
- Ye shall certainly drink.
 - 29. **FO**r. lo.
- begin to
- bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and
 - should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for
- I will call for a sword upon
- all the inhabitants of the
- **earth.** saith the LORD of hosts.

- 30. Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words.
- and say unto them. The
- LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his
 - holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes,
- against all the inhabitants of the earth.
 - 31. A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth: for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations.
- he will plead with all flesh: he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.
 - 32. Thus saith the LORD of hosts. Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.
- 33 And the slain of the LOBD
- shall be at that day
- from one end of
- the earth even
- unto the other end of the earth:
- they shall not be lamented. neither gathered.
- nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.
 - 34. Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ve principal of the flock; for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ve shall fall like a pleasant vessel.
 - 35. And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.
 - 36. A voice of
- the cry of the shepherds. and an howling of the principal of the flock.
- shall be heard: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.
- 37. And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger
 - of the LORD. 38. He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion; for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and

I■I because of his ■ fierce anger.

CHAPTER 26

- 1. In the beginning of the reian of Jehojakim the son of Josiah king of Judah
- came this word from
- the LORD, saying, 2. Thus saith the LORD; Stand in the
- court of the LORD's house, and speak unto all the cities of
- **Judah.** which come to worship in the LORD's house, all the words that I command thee to speak unto them: diminish not a word:
 - If so be

- they will hearken, and turn every man
- from his
 - evil way, that
- I may repent me
- of the evil, which I purpose to do unto them
 - because of the evil of their doings.
- And thou shalt say unto them. Thus saith the LORD:
- If ye will not hearken to me, to walk in my law, which I have set before you.
 - To hearken to the words of my servants the prophets, whom I sent unto you, both rising up early, and sending them, but ye have not hearkened:
- 6. Then will I make this house like Shiloh, and will make this city a curse
- to all the nations of the earth.
- 7. **SO** the priests and the prophets and
- all the people heard
- Jeremiah speaking these words in the house of the LORD.
 - 8. **Now** it came to pass.
- when Jeremiah had made an end of speaking all that
- the LORD had commanded
- him to speak unto all the people, that the priests and the prophets and all
- the people took him,
- saying, Thou shalt

JEREMIAH 26 surely die. 9. Why hast thou prophesied in the name of the LORD, saying, This house shall be like Shiloh, and this city shall be desolate without an inhabitant? And all ■ the people were gathered against Jeremiah in the house of the LORD. ■ 10. When the princes ■ of Judah heard these things, then they came up from the king's house unto the house of the LORD, and sat down in the entry of the new gate of the LORD's house. 11. **Then spake** the priests and the prophets unto the princes and to all the people, saying, This man is worthy to die; for he hath prophesied against this city, as ye have heard with your ears. 12. Then spake Jeremiah unto all the princes and to all the people. saying, The LORD sent me to prophesy against this house and against this city all the words that ye have heard. 13. Therefore now amend your ways and your doings, and obey the voice of the LORD your God; and the LORD will repent him of the evil that he hath pronounced against you. 14. As for me, behold, I am in your hand: do with me

as seemeth good and meet unto you.

15. But know ye for certain, that if ye put me to death, ye

■ this city, and upon the inhabitants

bring innocent blood upon yourselves, and upon

shall surely

thereof: for of a truth the LORD hath sent me unto you to speak all these words in your ears. 16. **Then said** the princes and all the people unto the priests and to the prophets: This man is not worthy to die: for he hath spoken to us in the name of the LORD our God 17. Then rose up certain of the elders of the land, and spake to all the assembly of the people. saying, 18. Micah the Morasthite prophesied in the days of Hezekiah king of Judah, and spake to all the people of Judah, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Zion shall be plowed like a field, and Jerusalem shall become heaps, and the mountain of the house as the high places of a forest. 19. **Did Hezekiah** king of Judah and all Judah put him at all to death? did he not fear the LORD, and besought the LORD, and the LORD repented him of the evil which he had pronounced against them? Thus might we procure great evil against our souls. 20. And there was also a man that prophesied in the name of the LORD, Urijah the son of Shemaiah of Kiriath-iearim, who prophesied against this City and against this land according to all the words of Jeremiah. And when Jehoiakim the king, with all his mighty men, and all the princes, heard his words, the king

sought to put him to death:

but when

■ Urijah heard it, he was afraid, and

fled, and went

■ into Egypt;

22. And Jehoiakim the king sent men into Egypt, namely, Elnathan the son of Achbor, and certain men with him into Egypt.

23. And they fetched forth Urijah out of Egypt, and brought him unto Jehoiakim

■ the king; who

slew him with the sword,

and cast his dead body into the graves of the common people.

■ 24. **Nevertheless** the hand of

Ahikam the son of Shaphan

was with Jeremiah, that they should not give him into the hand of the people to

put him to death.

CHAPTER 27

1. In the beginning of the reign of Jehoiakim
the son of Josiah king of Judah
came this word unto

Jeremiah from the LORD,

Saying,

2. Thus saith the LORD to me;

■ Make thee bonds ■ and yokes,

and put them upon thy neck,

3. And send them to the king of Edom, and to the king

of Moab, and to the king of the Ammonites.

and to the king of

Tyrus, and to the king ofZidon, by the hand of the

messengers

which come to Jerusalem unto Zedekiah king of Judah:

4 And command them tosay unto their masters,

Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Thus shall ye say unto your masters:

5. I have made the earth,
 the man and the beast
 that are upon the ground,

by my great power and by my outstretched arm, and have given it

unto whom it seemed meet unto me.

6. And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him

7. And all nations shall serve him, and his son, and his son's son, until the very time of his land come: and then many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of him.

8. And it shall come to pass, that the notion and kingdom

which will not serve the same Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and that will not put their neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation

will I punish, saith the LORD, with the sword, and with the famine, and with the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.

9. Therefore hearken not ye to your prophets, nor to your diviners, nor to your dreamers, nor to your enchanters, nor to your sorcerers, which speak unto you, saying, Ye shall not serve the king of Babylon:

10. For they prophesy a lie unto you, to remove you far from your land; and that I should drive you out, and ye should perish.

11. But the nations that
 bring their neck under the
 yoke of the king of
 Babylon, and serve him,

those

■ will t let
■ remain still

■ in their own land.

saith the LORD; and they shall till it, and dwell therein.

■ 12. I spake also to

Zedekiah king of Judah according to all these words,

saying, Bring your necks
 under the yoke of the king
 of Babylon, and serve him
 and his people, and live.

13. Why will ye die, thou and thy

people, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, as the LORD hath spoken against the nation that will not serve the king of Babylon?

- 14. Therefore hearken not **unto** the words of
- the prophets that speak
- unto vou. saying. Ye shall not serve
- the king of Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you. 15. For I have not sent them. saith the LORD, yet they prophesy a lie in my name; that I might drive you out, and that ve might perish, ve. and
- the prophets that prophesy unto you. 16. Also I spake to the
- **priests** and to all this people.
- saving. Thus saith the LORD:
- **Hearken not to** the words of
- your prophets that prophesy unto you, saying, Behold, the vessels of the LORD'S house shall now shortly be brought again from Babylon: for they prophesy a lie unto you.
- 17. Hearken not unto them: serve the king of Babylon, and live: wherefore should this city be laid waste?
- 18. But if they be prophets. and if the word of the LORD be with them, let them now make intercession

to the LORD of hosts.

- that the vessels which
- are left in the house of the LORD. and in the house of the king of
- Judah, and at
- Jerusalem, go not to Babylon.
 - 19. For thus saith the LORD of hosts concerning the pillars, and concerning the sea, and concerning the bases, and concerning the residue of the vessels that remain in this city. 20. Which Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon took not, when he carried away captive Jeconiah the son of Jehojakim king of Judah from Jerusalem to Babylon, and all the nobles of Judah and Jerusalem; 21. Yea, thus saith the LORD of

hosts, the God of Israel, concerning

- the vessels that remain in the house of the LORD, and
- in the house of the king of
- Judah and of
- Jerusalem:
 - 22. They
- shall be carried to
- Babylon, and there shall
- they be until the day that I visit them, saith the LORD; then will I bring them up, and
- restore them to this place.

CHAPTER 28

- 1. And it came to pass the
 - same year, in the beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, in the fourth year, and
- in the fifth month. that
- **Hananiah** the son of Azur the prophet, which was
- of Gibeon, spake unto me in the house of the LORD, in
- the presence of the priests and of all the people.
 - savina.

- 2. Thus speaketh the LORD
- of hosts, the God of Israel,
- saying, I have broken
- the voke of the king
- of Babylon.
- Within two full years will I
- bring again into this place
- all the vessels of the
- LORD's house, that
- Nebuchadnezzar
 - king of Babylon
- took away from this place, and carried them to Babylon:
- 4. And I will bring
- again to this place
- **Jeconiah** the son of Jehoiakim king of Judah.
- with all the captives of
- **Judah**, that went into Babylon, saith the LORD:
- for I will break the yoke of the king of Babylon.
- 5. Then the prophet
- Jeremiah said unto the prophet
- Hananiah in the presence of the priests, and in the presence of

- all the people that stood in the house of the LORD.
- Even the prophet Jeremiah said.
- Amen: the LORD do so: the LORD perform thy words
- which thou hast

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- prophesied, to bring again the vessels of the LORD'S house, and
- all that is carried away captive, from Babylon into this place.
- Nevertheless hear thou now this word that I speak in thine ears, and in the ears of all the people:
- 8. The prophets that have been before me and before thee
- of old prophesied both against many countries, and against great
- kingdoms, of war, and of evil, and of pestilence.
 - 9. The prophet which prophesieth of peace.
- when the word of the ■ prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the
- LORD hath truly sent him. 10. **Then Hananiah** the prophet took the voke from
- off the prophet
- Jeremiah's neck, and brake it.
 - 11. And Hananiah spake in the presence of all the people.
- saying, Thus saith the LORD: Even so will I
- break the yoke of
- Nebuchadnezzar
 - king of Babylon
- from the neck of all nations within the space of two full
- **YEARS.** And the prophet Jeremiah went his way.
- 12. Then the word of the LORD came unto
- Jeremiah the prophet,
- after that
- Hananiah the prophet
- had broken the
- voke from off
 - the neck of the prophet

- Jeremiah, savina,
- 13 Go and tell Hananiah. saving. Thus saith the LORD:
- Thou hast broken the
- vokes of wood: but thou shalt make for them
- vokes of iron.
 - 14 For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:
- I have put a voke of iron upon the neck of all these nations, that they may
- serve Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon:
- and they shall serve him: and I have given him the beasts of the field also.
- 15. **Then said** the prophet Jeremiah unto Hananiah the prophet.
 - Hear now, Hananiah:
- The LORD hath not sent
- thee; but thou makest this people to trust in a lie.
- 16 Therefore thus saith the
 - LORD: Behold, I will cast thee from off the face of the earth:
 - this year thou shalt die. because thou hast taught rebellion against the LÖRD.
 - 17 So Hananiah the prophet died the
- same year in the seventh month.

CHAPTER 29

- Now these are the words of the letter that Jeremiah the prophet
- sent from Jerusalem unto the residue of the elders which were carried away captives, and to
- the priests, and to the prophets, and to all the people whom
- Nebuchadnezzar had carried away captive from Jerusalem to Babylon:
 - 2. (After that Jeconiah the king, and the queen, and the eunuchs, the princes of Judah and Jerusalem, and the carpenters, and the smiths, were
 - 3. By the hand of Elasah the son of Shaphan, and Gemariah the son of

departed from Jerusalem;)

Hilkiah, (whom Zedekiah king of Judah sent unto Babylon to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon) saying,

4. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, unto all that are carried away captives, whom I have caused to be carried away from Jerusalem unto Babylon:

■ 5. Build ve

houses, and dwell

in them; and

plant gardens, and eat the fruit

of them:

6. Take ye wives, and beget sons and daughters; and take wives for your sons, and give your daughters to husbands, that they may bear sons and daughters:

that ve may be increased there, and not diminished.

7. And seek the peace ■ I of the city whither I have ■ caused you to be carried ■ **QWQV** captives, and pray unto the LORD for it:

for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace.

■ 8. For thus saith the LORD of

hosts, the God of Israel;

Let not your prophets

and your diviners, that be in the midst of you.

deceive you,

> neither hearken to your dreams which ve cause to be dreamed.

9. For they prophesy falsely unto you in my name: I have not sent them. saith the LORD.

10. For thus saith the LORD, That

after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I ■ | will visit you, and perform ■ my good word toward you,

in causing you to return to this place.

■ 11. For I know

the thoughts that I think toward you. saith the LORD.

thoughts of peace, and

not of evil. to

give you an expected end.

12. **Then** shall ve call upon me, and ye shall go and pray unto me, and I will hearken unto vou.

13. And ye shall seek me, and

find me, when ye shall search for me with all

vour heart. 14. And I will be found of you, saith

the LORD:

and I will turn away your captivity, and I will gather you from

all the nations, and from all the places whither I have driven you, saith the LORD:

and I will bring you again into the place whence I caused you to be carried away captive.

15. Because ye have said. The LORD hath raised us up prophets in Babylon:

16. Know that thus saith the LORD of the king that sitteth upon the throne of David, and of all the people that dwelleth in this city, and of your brethren that are not gone forth with you into captivity:

17. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: Behold,

I will send upon them the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, and will make them like vile figs, that cannot be eaten, they are so evil.

18. And I will persecute **them** with the sword, with the famine, and with the pestilence, and will

deliver them to be removed to all the kinadoms of the earth, to be a curse, and an astonishment, and an hissing, and a reproach, among all the nations whither I have driven them:

19. Because they have not hearkened to my words,

saith the LORD, which I sent unto

them by my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending *them;* but ye would not hear, saith the LORD. 20. Hear ye therefore the word of the LORD, all ye of the captivity, whom I have sent from Jerusalem to Babylon:

- 21. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel,
- of Ahab the son of Kolaiah, and of Zedekiah the son

and of Zedekiah the son of Maaseiah, which prophesy a lie unto you in my name; Behold,

I will deliver them into the
 hand of Nebuchadrezzar
 king of Babylon; and he

shall slay them before your eyes:

22. And of them shall be taken up a curse by all the captivity of Judah which *are* in Babylon, saying, The LORD make thee like Zedekiah and like Ahab, whom the king of Babylon roasted in the fire:

23. Because they have committed villainy in

■ Israel, and have

committed adultery with their neighbours' wives,

and have spoken lying

words in my name, which I have not commanded them; even

I know andam a witness, saith

the LORD.
24. Thus shalt thou

also speak to Shemaiah the Nehelamite.

■ saying,

25. Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying,

Because thou hast sentletters in thy name unto all

the people that are

at Jerusalem, and to Zephaniah

the son of Maaseiah the priest,

■ and to all

■ the priests, saying,

■ 26. The LORD hath made thee priest in the stead of

■ Jehoiada the priest,

that ye should be officers in the house of the LORD,

for every man that is mad, and maketh himself a prophet, that thou shouldest

■ in prison, and in the stocks.

27. Now therefore

why hast thou not reproved
Jeremiah of Anathoth, which
maketh himself a prophet to you?

28. For therefore

he sent unto us *in* Babylon, saying, This *captivity is*

■ long: build ye

■ houses, and dwell

in them; and plant gardens, and eat the fruit of them.

■ 29. And Zephaniah the■ priest read this letter in

the ears of Jeremiah

the prophet.

30. Then came

30. Then came the
 word of the LORD unto
 Jeremiah, saying,

31. Send to all them of the captivity, saying, Thus saith the LORD concerning Shemaiah the Nehelamite:

■ Because that

Shemaiah hath prophesied unto you, and I sent him

unto you, and I sent him not, and he caused you

■ to trust in a lie:

32. Therefore thus saith the LORD; Behold,

I will punish Shemaiah the Nehelamite.

and his seed: he

shall not have a man to dwell among this people; neither shall he behold the good that I will do for my people, saith the LORD;

because he hath taught rebellion against the LORD.

CHAPTER 30

- 1. The word that came to
- **Jeremiah** from the LORD,
- saying,

Thus speaketh the LORD God of Israel, saying,

■ Write thee all

■ the words that I have

spoken unto thee in

■ a book.

- 3. For. lo.
- the days come, saith the LORD, ■ that I will bring again the captivity of my people
 - Israel and Judah, saith the LOBD: and I will cause them to return
- to the land that I gave to their fathers.

and they shall possess it.

- 4. And these are the words that the LORD spake concerning Israel and concerning Judah.
- 5. For thus saith the LORD: ■ We have heard a voice of trembling, of fear, and not of peace.
 - 6. Ask ye now, and see whether a man doth travail with child? wherefore do I see every
- man with his hands on his loins.
- as a woman in travail.
- I and all
- faces are
- turned into paleness? 7. Alas! for
- that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even
- the time of Jacob's ■ trouble, but he shall ■ be saved out of it.
- 8. For it shall come to pass in that day.
 - saith the LORD of hosts.
- that I will break his voke from off thy neck, and will burst thy bonds, and strangers shall no more serve themselves of him:
- 9. But they shall serve the LORD their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up unto them.
 - 10. Therefore
- fear thou
- **not**, O my servant
- Jacob, saith the LORD;
- neither be dismayed,
 - O Israel:
- for, lo.
- I will save thee from afar. and thy seed from the land of their captivity: and
- Jacob shall return. and shall be in rest, and be quiet,

- and none shall make him afraid.
- 11. For I am with thee. saith the LORD.
 - to save thee: though I make a full end of all nations whither I have scattered thee.
- vet I will not make a full end of thee: but I will
- correct thee in measure, and will
- not leave thee altoaether unpunished.
 - 12. For thus saith the LORD,
- Thy bruise is incurable. and thy wound is grievous.
 - 13. There is none to plead thy cause, that thou mayest be bound up:
- thou hast no healing medicines.
- 14. All thy lovers

have forgotten thee; they seek thee not; for I have

- wounded thee with the wound of an enemy, with the chastisement of a cruel one, for the multitude of thine iniquity; because thy sins were increased.
 - 15. Why criest thou for thine affliction? thy sorrow is incurable for the multitude of thine iniquity:
- because thy sins were increased. I have done these things unto thee.
 - 16. Therefore all
- they that devour thee shall be devoured: and all thine adversaries, every one of them, shall go into captivity; and they that spoil thee shall be a spoil, and all that prev
- upon thee will I give for a prey. 17. For I will restore health
- unto thee, and I will
- heal thee of thy wounds, saith the LORD: because they called thee an Outcast, saying, This is Zion, whom no man seeketh after.
 - 18. Thus saith the LORD; Behold,
- I will bring again the captivity of Jacob's tents,
 - and have mercy on his dwellingplaces:
- and the city shall be

- builded upon her own heap. and the palace shall remain after the manner thereof. 19. And out of them shall
- proceed thanksgiving and the voice of them that make merry:
- and I will multiply them, and they shall not be few; I will also glorify them, and they shall not be small. 20. Their children also shall be as
 - aforetime and their congregation shall be
- established before me. and I will punish all that oppress them.
 - 21. And their nobles shall be of themselves, and their governor shall proceed from the midst of them; and I will cause him to draw near, and he shall approach unto me: for who is this that engaged his heart to approach unto me? saith the LORD.
- 22. And ye shall be my people, and I will be
- your God.
- 23. Behold, the whirlwind of
- the LORD goeth forth with fury, a continuing whirlwind: it
- shall fall with pain **upon the** head of the
- wicked.
- 24. The fierce anger of the LORD shall not return. until he hath done it, and
- until he have performed the intents of his heart:
 - I in the latter days ye shall consider it.

CHAPTER 31

- 1. At the same time, saith the LORD.
- will I be the God of all the families
- of Israel, and they shall be my people.
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD. The people which were left of the sword found grace in the wilderness; even Israel, when I went to cause him to rest.
 - 3. The LORD hath appeared of old unto me, saving, Yea, I have loved thee with an everlasting love: therefore with lovingkindness

have I drawn thee.

- 4. Again I will build thee. and thou shalt be built.
- O virgin of Israel: thou shalt again be adorned with thy tabrets, and shalt go forth in the dances of them that make merry.
- 5. Thou shalf vet
- plant vines upon the
- mountains of Samaria: the planters shall plant.
 - and shall eat them
 - as common things.
- For there shall be a day. that the watchmen upon the mount Ephraim
- shall cry, Arise ye, and let us go up to Zion unto the LORD our God.
 - For thus saith the LORD:
 - Sing with gladness for Jacob,
- and shout among the chief of the nations: publish ye,
- praise ye, and say, O LORD, save thy people, the remnant of Israel
 - 8 Behold
- I will bring them from the north country, and gather them
 - from the coasts of the earth. and with them the blind and the lame. the woman with child and her that travaileth with child together:
- a great company shall return thither.
- They shall come with weeping, and with
- supplications will I lead them: I will cause them to walk by the rivers of waters in a straight way, wherein they shall not stumble:
- for I am a father to Israel, and Ephraim is my firstborn.
- 10. Hear the word of
- the LORD, O ve nations,
- and declare if in the isles.
- afar off, and
- say, He that scattered Israel will gather him.
 - and keep him,
- as a shepherd doth
- his flock

- 11. For the LORD hath redeemed Jacob, and ransomed him from the hand of him that was stronger than he.
- 12. Therefore they shall come and
- sing in the height of Zion, and shall flow together to the goodness of the LORD, for wheat, and for wine, and for oil, and for the young of the flock and of the herd: and their soul shall be as a watered garden; and they shall not sorrow any more at all.
 - 13. Then shall the virgin rejoice in the dance, both young men and old together:
- for I will turn their mourning ■ into joy, and will comfort them, and make them
- reioice from their sorrow.
- 14. And I will satiate the soul of the priests with fatness.
- and my people shall be satisfied with my
- | goodness, saith the LORD.
- 15. Thus saith the LORD;
- A voice was heard
- in Ramah, lamentation, and bitter weeping;
- Rahel weeping for her children refused to be comforted for her children. because they were not.
- 16. Thus saith the LORD:
- Refrain thy voice from weeping.

and thine eyes from tears: for

- thy work shall be
- rewarded, saith the LORD; and they shall come again from the land of the enemy.
- 17. And there is hope in thine end, saith the LORD, that
- thy children shall come
- again to their own border.
- 18. I have surely
- heard Ephraim
- **bemoaning** himself
- thus; Thou hast chastised
- **me.** and I was chastised.
- as a bullock
 - unaccustomed to the yoke:
- **turn** thou

- me, and I shall be turned:
- for thou art the LORD
 - my God.
- 19. Surely after that I was turned,
- I repented: and after that I
 - was instructed.
 - I smote upon my thiah:
- I was ashamed. yea, even confounded
- because I did bear the reproach of my youth.
- 20. Is Ephraim my dear
- son? is he a pleasant child? for since I spake against him. do earnestly
- remember him still: therefore my bowels are troubled for him:
- I will surely
- have mercy upon him, saith the LORD.
 - 21. Set thee up waymarks, make thee high heaps:
- set thine heart toward
 - the highway, even
- the way which
- thou wentest:
 - turn again, O virgin of Israel,
- turn again to these thy cities.
 - 22. How long wilt thou go about, O thou backsliding daughter? for the LORD hath created a new thing in the earth, A woman shall compass a man.
 - 23. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: As yet
- they shall use this speech in the land of Judah
- and in the cities thereof.
- when I shall
- bring again their captivity;

The LORD bless thee, O habitation of justice, and mountain of holiness.

- 24 And there shall dwell in Judah itself, and in all
- the cities thereof together.
- husbandmen, and they that go forth with flocks.
- 25. For I have satiated the
- weary soul, and I have
- replenished every
- sorrowful soul.
 - 26. Upon this I awaked, and beheld; and my sleep was sweet unto me.

- 27. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of man, and with the seed of beast.
- 28. And it shall come to pass, that like as
- I have watched over them, to pluck up, and to break down, and to throw down, and to destroy, and to afflict; so
- | will |
 - watch over them, to build, and to plant, saith the LORD.
 - 29. In those days they shall say no more. The fathers have eaten a sour grape, and the children's teeth are set on edge.
- 30. But every one shall die for his own iniquity: every man that eateth the sour grape, his teeth shall be set on edge.
- 31. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD,
- that I will make a new covenant with the house of
- Israel, and with the house of Judah:
- 32. **Not** according to
- the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that

I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt;

- which my covenant
- they brake, although I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:
 33. But this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the LORD,
- I will put my law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be my people.
 34. And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the
- they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD:
- for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will
- remember their sin
- no more.

LORD: for

- 35. Thus saith the LORD, which giveth the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night, which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The LORD of hosts is his name:
- 36. If those ordinances depart from before me, saith the LORD,
- then the seed of Israel also
 shall cease from being a
 nation before me for ever.

37. Thus saith the LORD;

- If heaven above
- can be measured, and the foundations of the earth
- searched out beneath,
- I will also
- cast off all the seed of Israel for all that they have
- done, saith the LORD.
- 38. Behold, the days come, saith the LORD.
- that the city shall be built
 to the LORD from the tower of
 Hananeel unto the gate of the corner.
- 39. And the measuring line
- shall yet
- go forth over against it upon the hill Gareb.
- and shall
- compass about to
 - Goath.

- 40. **And the** whole
- Valley of the dead bodies, and of the ashes,
- and all the
- fields unto the brook
- of Kidron, unto the corner of the horse gate toward the east,
- shall be holy unto the
- LORD; it shall not be plucked up. nor
- thrown down any
- more for ever.

- I 1. The word that came to
- Jeremiah from the LORD
- in the tenth year of
 - Zedekiah king of Judah,
 - which was the eighteenth year of

Nebuchadrezzar.

- 2. For then the king of Babylon's army besieged Jerusalem:
- and Jeremiah the prophet

was shut up

in the court of the

■ **Drison.** which was in the king of Judah's house.

- 3. For Zedekigh king of Judah had shut him up, saying,
- Wherefore dost thou prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD, Behold,
- I will give this city into the
- hand of the king of Babylon, and he shall take it;
- 4. And Zedekiah king of Judah
- shall not escape out of the hand of the Chaldeans.
- but shall surely
- be delivered into the hand of the king of Babylon, and shall speak with him mouth to mouth, and
- his eves shall behold his eyes: ■ 5. And he shall lead
- Zedekigh to Babylon, and there shall he be until I visit him, saith the LORD: though ye fight with the Chaldeans, ve shall not prosper.
- 6. And Jeremiah said. The word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- 7. **Behold, Hanameel** the son of Shallum thine uncle
- shall come unto thee

saying, Buy thee my field that is

in Anathoth: for the right of

redemption is thine to buy it.

- 8. So Hanameel mine uncle's son
- came to me in the court of the **Drison** according to the word of the LORD, and said unto me. Buy my field, I pray thee, that is in Anathoth, which is in the country of Benjamin: for the right of inheritance is thine, and the redemption is thine; buy it for thyself.
- Then I knew that this was ■ the word of the LORD.
 - 9. And I bought the field

of Hanameel my uncle's son, that was

in Anathoth

and weighed him the money. even

seventeen shekels

of silver.

- 10 And I subscribed the evidence, and sealed it.
- and took witnesses, and
- weighed *him* the money in the balances
- 11. So I took the evidence of the purchase, *both* that
- which was sealed according to the law and custom.
- and that which was open:
- 12. **And** I
- gave the evidence of the purchase
- unto Baruch the son of Neriah. the son of Maaseiah.
- in the sight of Hanameel mine uncle's son.
- and in the presence of
- the witnesses that subscribed the book of the purchase, before all the Jews that sat in the court of the prison.
- 13. And I charged Baruch before them, saying,
 - Thus saith the LORD of hosts. the God of Israel:
- Take these evidences.
- this evidence of the
- purchase, both which is sealed, and this evidence which is open;
- and put them in
- an earthen vessel, that they may continue many days.
 - 15. For thus saith the LORD of hosts. the God of Israel: Houses and fields and vineyards shall be possessed again in this land.
- 16. Now when I had
- delivered the evidence of the purchase unto Baruch
 - the son of Neriah.
- I prayed unto the LORD, saying,
- 17. Ah Lord GOD! behold.
- thou hast made the
- heaven and the
- earth by thy great power and

stretched out arm.

and there is nothing too hard for thee: ■ 18. Thou shewest

lovinakindness unto thousands.

and recompensest the

iniquity of the fathers into the bosom of their children after them: the Great, the Mighty God, the LORD of hosts, is his name.

19. Great in counsel, and mighty in work: for

■ thine eyes are open

upon all

the ways of the sons

of men: to give every one according to his ways, and according to the fruit of his doings:

20. Which hast set signs and wonders in the land of Egypt, even unto this day, and in Israel, and among other men; and hast made thee a name, as at this day:

■ 21. And hast brought forth

■ thy people Israel

out of the land of

Egypt with signs, and with wonders, and with a strong hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with great terror:

22. And hast given them this land, which thou didst swear to their fathers to give them, a land flowing with milk and honey:

23. And they came in, and possessed it; but they obeyed not thy voice, neither walked in thy law:

they have done nothing of all that thou commandedst them to do: therefore thou

hast caused all this evil to

come upon them:

24. Behold the mounts, they are come unto the city to take it; and the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans, that fight against it, because of the sword, and of the famine, and of the pestilence:

and what thou hast spoken is come to pass;

and, behold, thou seest it.

25 And thou hast said unto me. O Lord GOD.

Buy thee the field for money, and take

witnesses; for the city is given into the hand of the Chaldeans.

26. Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah. saying,

27. Behold, I am the LORD, the God of all flesh:

is there any thing too hard for me?

28. Therefore

thus saith the LORD: Behold.

I will give this city into the hand of the Chaldeans, and

into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar

king of Babylon,

and he shall take it:

And the Chaldeans. that fight against this city,

shall come and set fire

on this city, and burn it with the houses, upon whose roofs they have offered incense unto Baal, and poured out drink offerings unto other gods, to provoke me to anger.

30. For the children of Israel and the children of Judah have only done evil before me from their youth: for the children of Israel

have only

provoked me to anger with the work of their hands. saith the LORD.

31. For this city hath been to meas

a provocation of mine

anger and of my fury

from the day that

they built it even unto this day: that I should remove it from before my face.

32. Because of all the evil of the children of Israel and of the children of Judah.

which they have done to provoke me to anger,

they, their kings, their princes, their priests, and their prophets, and the men of Judah, and the

- inhabitants of Jerusalem
- 33. And they have turned unto me the back, and not the face; though I taught them, rising up early and teaching them.
- yet they have not hearkened to receive instruction.
- 34. But they
- set their abominations in
- the house, which is
 - called by my name,
- to defile it.
- 35. And they
- built the
- high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech: which I commanded them not, neither came it into my mind, that they should do this abomination, to cause Judah to sin. 36. And now therefore thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel,
- concerning this city, whereof ve say, It shall be delivered into the hand of the king of
- Babylon by the sword, and by the famine, and by the pestilence:
- 37. Behold, I will gather them out of all countries. whither I have driven them

in mine anger, and in my fury, and in great wrath;

- and I will bring them again unto this place, and I will cause them to dwell safely:
- 38. And they shall be my people, and I will be their God:
- 39. And I will give them one
- heart, and one way, that they may fear me for
- ever, for the good of them, and of their children after them:
- 40. And I will make an everlasting covenant with
 - them, that I will not turn away from them, to do them good; but I will put my fear in their hearts, that they shall not depart from me.
 - 41. Yea. I will rejoice over

- them to do them good, and I will plant them in this land assuredly with my whole heart and with my whole soul.
- 42. For thus saith the LORD; Like as I have brought all this great evil upon this people, so will
- I bring upon them all
- the good that I have promised them.
 - 43. And fields shall be bought in this land, whereof ye say, It is desolate without man or beast; it is given into the hand of the Chaldeans
- 44. Men shall buy fields for money, and subscribe evidences, and seal them, and take witnesses
- in the land of Benjamin.
- and in the places about
- Jerusalem, and in the cities of
- Judah, and in the cities of the mountains, and in the cities of the valley, and in the cities of the south:
- for I will cause their
- captivity to return, saith the LORD.

- Moreover the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah
- the second time, while he
- Was yet shut up
- in the court of the
- prison, saying,
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD the maker thereof, the LORD that formed it, to establish it: the LORD is his name;
- Call unto me, and I will answer thee, and
- shew thee great and mighty
- things, which thou
- knowest not.
 - For thus saith the LORD. the God of Israel.
- concerning the houses of
- this city, and concerning
- the houses of the kings
- of Judah, which are
- thrown down by the mounts,
 - and by the sword;
 - 5. They come to fight with the Chaldeans, but it is to fill them with the dead bodies of men, whom I have

slain in mine anger and in my fury, and for all whose wickedness I have hid my face from this city.

- 6. Behold, I will bring it health and cure, and
- I will cure them, and will reveal unto them the abundance of peace and truth
 - 7. And I will cause the captivity of Judah and the captivity of Israel to return.
- and will build them. as at the first.
- 8 And I will cleanse them from all their iniquity, whereby they have sinned against me;
- and I
- will pardon all their
 - iniquities, whereby they have sinned, and whereby they have transgressed against me.
- 9. And it shall be to me a name of joy, a praise and an honour before all the nations of the earth.

which shall hear all the good that I do unto them: and they shall fear and tremble for all the goodness and for all the prosperity that I procure unto it. 10. Thus saith the LORD:

- Again there shall be heard in this place, which ye say shall be desolate without man and without beast, even in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem, that are desolate, without man, and without inhabitant, and without beast,
- 11. The voice of joy, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the voice of
- them that shall say, Praise the LORD of hosts: for the LORD is good; for his mercy endureth for ever: and of them that shall bring the sacrifice of praise

into the house of the LORD. For I will cause to return the captivity of the land, as at the first, saith the LORD. 12. Thus saith the LORD of hosts; Again in this place. which is desolate without man and without beast.

- and in all
- the cities thereof
- shall be an habitation of
- shepherds causing their flocks to lie down.
 - 13. In the cities of the mountains, in the cities of the vale, and in the cities of the south, and in the land of Benjamin, and in the places about Jerusalem, and in the cities of Judah. shall the flocks pass again under the hands of him that telleth them, saith the LORD.
- 14. Behold, the days come. saith the LORD.
- that I will perform that good thing which I have
- promised unto the house of
- israel and to the house of Judah.
- 15. In those days. and at that time.
- will I cause the Branch of righteousness to grow
- up unto David: and he shall execute
- judament and righteousness in the land.
 - 16. In those days shall
- Judah be saved.
- and Jerusalem shall
 - dwell safely: and
- this is the name wherewith she shall be called. The
- LORD our righteousness. 17. For thus saith the LORD:
- David shall never want a man to sit upon the throne
- of the house of Israel: 18. Neither shall the priests the Levites
- want a man before me to offer burnt offerings, and to kindle meat offerings, and
- to do sacrifice continually.
- 19. And the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah, saying,
 - 20. Thus saith the LORD:
- If ve can
 - break my covenant of the day, and my covenant of the night, and that there should not be day and night in their season;

21. Then may also my
covenant be broken with
David my servant, that he

David my servant, that he should not have a son to reign upon his throne;

■ and with the Levites

■ the priests, my ministers.

- 22. As the host of heaven
 cannot be numbered, neither
 the sand of the sea measured:
- so will I multiply the seed of David my servant,

■ and the Levites

that minister unto me.
23. Moreover the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah, saying,
24. Considerest thou not

24. Considerest thou not what this people have spoken, saying, The two families which the LORD hath chosen, he hath even cast them off? thus they have despised my people, that they should be no more a nation before them.
 25. Thus gith the LORD:

25. Thus saith the LORD; If my covenant be not with day and night, and

- if I have not appointed
 the ordinances of heaven
 and earth;
- 26. Then will I cast away the seed of Jacob, and David my servant, so that I will not take any of his seed to be rulers over the seed of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob: for I will cause their captivity to return, and have mercy on them.

CHAPTER 34

- 1. The word which came
 unto Jeremiah from the LORD,
 when Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon, and all his army, and all the kingdoms of the earth of his dominion, and all the people,
- fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities thereof,
 saying.
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel; Go and
- speak to Zedekiah king of Judah.
- and tell him,

Thus saith the LORD; Behold,

- I will give this city into the hand of the king of
- Babylon, and he shall

■ burn if with fire:

- 3. And thou shalt not
- **escape** out of his hand,
- but shalt surely be taken, and delivered into his hand;

and thine eyes shall behold the eyes of the king of Babylon, and he shall speak with thee mouth to mouth, and thou shalt go to Babylon.

- 4. Yet hear the word of the LORD, O Zedekiah king of Judah; Thus saith the LORD of thee,
- Thou shalt not die by the sword:
- 5. But thou shalt die in
 - peace: and with the burnings of thy fathers, the former kings which were before thee, so shall they burn odours for thee; and they will lament thee, saying, Ah lord! for I have pronounced the word, saith the LORD.
- 6. Then Jeremiah the prophet
 spake all these words unto
 Zedekiah king of Judah
 in Jerusalem,
 - 7. When the king of Babylon's army fought against Jerusalem, and against all the cities of Judah that were left, against Lachish, and against Azekah: for these defenced cities remained of the cities of Judah.
 - 8. This is the word that came unto Jeremiah from the LORD,
- after that the king
- Zedekiah had made a covenant with all the
- people which were at
- Jerusalem, to proclaim liberty unto them;
- 9. That every man should let his manservant, and every man
- his maidservant, being an Hebrew or an Hebrewess,
- Hebrew or an Hebrewess,go free;

that none should serve himself of them, to wit, of a Jew his brother.

10. Now when

1089 all the princes, and all the people, which had entered into the covenant. heard that every one should let his manservant. and every one his maidservant, go free, that none should serve themselves of them any more. then they obeyed, and let them go. 11. But afterward they turned, and caused the servants and the handmaids. whom they had let go free. to return, and brought them into subjection for servants and for handmaids 12. Therefore the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah from the LORD. savina. 13. Thus saith the LORD. the God of Israel: I made a covenant with your fathers in the day that I brought them forth out of the land of **Egypt**, out of the house of bondmen. saying, 14. At the end of seven years let ye go every man his brother an Hebrew. which hath been sold unto thee; and when he hath served thee six years, thou shalt let him go free from thee: but your fathers hearkened not unto me. neither inclined their ear. 15. **And ye** were now turned, and had done right in my sight, in proclaiming liberty

every man to his

by my name:

■ neighbour; and ye had

made a covenant before

me in the house which is called

16. But ye turned and

polluted my name.

and caused every man his servant, and every man his handmaid, whom he had set at liberty at their pleasure, to return, and brought them into subjection, to be unto you for servants and for handmaids.

17. **Therefore** thus saith the LORD:

Ye have not hearkened unto me, in proclaiming liberty, every one to his brother, and every man to his neighbour:

behold, I proclaim a liberty for you, saith the LORD, to the sword, to the pestilence, and to the famine; and I will make you to be removed into all the kingdoms of the earth.
 18. And I will give the men

that have transgressed my covenant, which have not performed the words of the covenant which they had made before me, when they cut the calf in Iwain, and passed between the parts thereof.

19. The princes of Judah, and the princes of Jerusalem, the eunuchs, and the priests, and all the people of the land, which passed between the parts of the calf;

20. I will even give them

into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life: and their dead bodies shall be for meat unto the fowls of the heaven, and to the beasts of the earth.

21. And Zedekiah king of Judah and his princes will I give into the hand of their enemies, and into the hand of them that seek their life, and into the hand

of the king of Babylon's
army, which are gone up from you.
22. Behold, I will

command, saith the LORD, and cause them to return to this city; and they shall fight against it, and take it, and burn it

with fire: and I will make the cities of Judah a desolation without an inhabitant.

CHAPTER 35

- I 1. The word which
 - came unto Jeremiah from the LORD in the days of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah,

■ saying,

2. Go unto the house of the Rechabites,

and speak unto them,

and bring them into the house of the LORD,
 into one of the chambers.

and give them wine to

■ drink.

3. Then I took Jaazaniah

the son of Jeremiah, the son of Habaziniah, and his brethren, and all his sons,

and the whole

- house of the Rechabites;
- 4. And I brought them into the house of the LORD,

into the chamber of the sons of Hanan, the son of Igdaliah, a man of God, which was by the chamber of the princes, which was above the chamber of Maaseiah the son of Shallum, the keeper of the door:

- 5. And I set before the sons of the house of
- the Rechabites pots full of wine, and cups.

and I said unto them,

■ Drink ye wine.

6. But they said, We will drink no wine: for

Jonadab the son of Rechab

our father commanded us,
 saying, Ye shall drink
 no wine,

neither ye, nor your sons for ever:

7. Neither shall ye

build house, nor sow seed, nor

- plant vineyard, nor have any:
 but all your days
- ye shall dwell in tents;
- that ye may live many
 days in the land where
 ye be strangers.
- 8. Thus have we obeyed the voice of Jonadab the son of Rechab
 - our father in all that he hath

- wine all our days, we, our wives, our sons, nor our daughters;
- Nor to build houses for us to dwell in: neither have we vineyard, nor field, nor seed:
- 10. But we have dwelt in tents, and have obeyed, and done according to all that
 Jonadab our father commanded us.
- 11. But it came to pass, when Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon came up into the land,
- that we said, Come, and
- let us go to Jerusalem for
- fear of the army of the Chaldeans, and

for fear of the army of the

- Syrians: so we dwell at Jerusalem.
- 12. **Then** came the word of
- the LORD unto Jeremiah, saying,
 - saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:
- Go and tell the men

 of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

- Will ye not receive instruction to hearken to my words?
- saith the LORD.
- 14. The words of Jonadab the son of Rechab, that he commanded his sons not to drink wine.
- are performed; for untothis day they drink none,
- but obey their father's commandment:

notwithstanding I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye hearkened not unto me.

- 15. I have sent also unto you all my servants
- the prophets, rising up early and sending them,
- saying, Return ye now
- every man from his evil
- way, and amend your doings, and
- go not after other gods
- and ye shall dwell in the
 land which I have given to
- **YOU** and to your fathers:

but ye have not inclined your ear, nor

hearkened unto me.

- 16 Because the sons of
- Jonadab the son of Rechab
- have performed the
- commandment of their
- father, which he commanded them;
- but this people hath not hearkened unto me:
 - 17 Therefore thus saith the LORD God of hosts, the God of Israel: Behold.
- I will bring upon
- Judah and upon all
- the inhabitants of
- Jerusalem all the evil that
 - I have pronounced
 - against them: because I have spoken unto them, but they have not heard; and I have called unto them. but they have not answered.
 - 18. And Jeremiah said
 - unto the house of the Rechabites. Thus saith the LORD
- of hosts, the God of Israel:
- Because ve have obeyed the commandment of Jonadab vour father, and kept all
- his precepts, and done according unto all that he hath commanded you:
 - 19. Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:
- Jonadab the son of Rechab
- shall not want a man to
- stand before me for ever.

CHAPTER 36

- 1. And it came to pass
- in the fourth year of
- Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, that
- this word came unto
- Jeremiah from the LORD, saying,
- 2. Take thee a roll of
- a book, and write therein
- all the words that I have
- spoken unto thee against
- Israel, and against
- Judah, and against
- all the nations, from the

- day I spake unto thee. from the days of Josiah, even unto this day.
- 3. It may be that the house of Judah will hear all the evil which I purpose to do unto them; that they may

return every man

- from his evil way: that I may forgive their iniquity and
- their sin. 4 Then Jeremiah called
- Baruch the son of Neriah and Baruch wrote from the mouth of Jeremiah all the words of the LORD.
- which he had spoken unto him, upon a roll of a book.
- 5 And Jeremiah commanded Baruch. saying, I am shut up;
- I cannot go into the house of the LORD: 8
- 6. Therefore go thou, and read in the roll, which thou hast written from my mouth,
- the words of the LORD in the ears of the people in the LORD'S house upon the fasting day: and also thou shalt read them in
- the ears of all Judah that come out of their cities. It may be they will present their supplication before the LORD, and will
- return every one from his evil way: for great is the anger and the fury that the LORD hath pronounced against this people.
- 8. And Baruch the son of Neriah did according to all that Jeremiah the prophet commanded him.

reading in the book the words of the LORD in the LORD'S house.

9. And it came to pass in the fifth year of Jehoiakim

the son of Josiah king of Judah, in

- the ninth month, that
 - they proclaimed a fast before the LORD to all the people in Jerusalem, and to all the people

- that came from the cities of Judah unto Jerusalem
- 10. Then read Baruch in the book
- the words of Jeremiah in the house of the LORD,

in the chamber of Gemariah the son of Shaphan the scribe, in the higher court, at the entry of the new gate of the LORD'S house, in the ears of all the people.

- 11. When Michaiah the son of Gemariah, the son of Shaphan, had
- heard out of the book all
- the words of the LORD,
- 12. Then he went down into the king's house, into the scribe's chamber: and, lo, all the princes sat there, even Elishama the scribe, and Delaiah the son of Shemaiah, and Elnathan the son of Achbor, and Gemariah the son of Hananiah.
- **and** all the princes.
 - 13. Then Michaiah
- declared unto them all
- the words that he had
- **heard,** when Baruch read the book in the ears of the people.
- 14. Therefore all the princes sent Jehudi the son of

Nethaniah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Cushi,

■ unto Baruch, saying, Take in thine hand

the roll wherein thou hast read in the ears of the people,

and come. So Baruch the son of Neriah took the roll in his hand, and came unto them.

15. And they said unto him, Sit down now,

and read it in our ears. So Baruch read it in their ears.

■ 16. **Now** it came to pass,

when they had heard all the words, they were afraid

both one and other, and said unto Baruch, We will surely tell the king of all these words.

17. And they asked Baruch, saying, Tell us now,

- How didst thou write all these words
- at his mouth?
- 18. Then Baruch answered them.
- He pronounced all
- these words unto me
- with his mouth, and I wrote
- *them* with ink
- in the book.
- 19. Then said the princes unto Baruch,
- Go, hide thee, thou
- and Jeremiah; and let no man know where ye be.
 - 20. And they went in to the king into the court,
- but they laid up the roll in the chamber of Elishama the scribe,
- and told all
- the words in the ears of the king.
- 21. So the king sent Jehudi
- to fetch the roll: and he took it out of Flishama the scribe's chamber.
- And Jehudi read if in the ears of the king, and in the ears of all the princes which stood beside the king.
 - 22. Now the king sat in the winterhouse in the ninth month: and there was a fire on the hearth burning before him
- 23. And it came to pass, that when Jehudi had read
- three or four leaves, he
- **cut it** with the penknife,
- and cast it into the fire that was on the hearth.
- until all the roll
- was consumed
 - in the fire that was on the hearth.
- 24. Yet they were not afraid, nor rent their garments, neither the king, nor any of his servants that heard all these words.
- 25. Nevertheless Elnathan and Delaiah and Gemariah had
- made intercession to the king that he would not
- king that he would notburn the roll:
- but he would not hear them.
- 26. But the king
- **commanded** Jerahmeel the

son of Hammelech, and Serajah the son of Azriel, and Shelemiah the son of Abdeel

- to take Baruch the scribe and Jeremiah the prophet:
- but the LORD hid them.
- 27. Then the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah.

after that the king had burned the roll, and the words which Baruch wrote at the mouth of Jeremiah, saving.

- 28. Take thee again
- another roll, and write in it all the former
- words that were in the
- first roll, which Jehoiakim the king of Judah hath burned.
- 29 And thou shalt
- say to Jehojakim

king of Judah, Thus saith the LORD; Thou hast burned this roll,

saving. Why hast thou written therein, saying,

- The king of Babylon
- shall certainly
- come and destroy
- this land, and shall cause to cease from thence man and beast?
- 30. Therefore thus saith the LORD of Jehoiakim
 - king of Judah:
- He shall have none to sit upon the throne of David:

and his dead body shall be cast out in the day to the heat, and in the night to the frost.

- 31. And I will punish him and his seed and his servants for their iniquity:
- and I will bring upon them, and upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and upon the men of Judah.
- all the evil that I have pronounced against them; but they hearkened not.
- 32. Then took Jeremiah
- another roll, and gave it to Baruch the scribe.
- the son of Neriah:
- who wrote therein from the mouth of Jeremiah
- all the words of the book

- which Jehoiakim king of Judah
- had burned in the fire:
 - and there were added besides unto them
- many like words.

- 1. And king
- Zedekiah the son of Josiah
- reigned instead
 - of Coniah the son
- of Jehoiakim, whom
- Nebuchadrezzar
 - king of Babylon
- made king in the land of Judah.
- But neither he. nor his servants.
- nor the people of the land, did
- hearken unto the words
- of the LORD, which he spake by the prophet Jeremiah.
- 3. And Zedekiah the kina
- sent Jebucal the son of Shelemiah and Zephaniah the son of Maaseiah
- the priest to the prophet
- Jeremiah, saying, Pray now unto the LORD our God
- for us. 4. Now Jeremiah came in and
- went out among the people: for they had not put
- him into prison.
- 5. Then Pharaoh's army
- was come forth
- out of Egypt: and when the
- Chaldeans that besieged Jerusalem heard 6
 - tidings of them,
- they departed from Jerusalem.
- Then came the word of the LORD unto the prophet
- Jeremiah saying,
 - 7. Thus saith the LORD. the God of Israel:
- Thus shall ye say to the king of Judah, that sent you unto me to inquire of me; Behold,
- Pharaoh's army, which is
- come forth
- to help you, shall return to Eavet into
 - their own land.
 - 8. And the Chaldeans shall

- come again, and fight against this city, and take it, and burn it with fire.
 - 9. Thus saith the LORD: Deceive not vourselves, saving, The Chaldeans shall surely depart from us: for they shall not depart.
 - 10. For though ve had smitten the whole army of the Chaldeans that fight against you, and there remained but wounded men among them, yet should they rise up every man in his tent, and burn this city with fire.
- 11. And it came to pass, that when the army of the Chaldeans was broken up from Jerusalem
- for fear of Pharaoh's army, 12. Then Jeremiah went forth out of Jerusalem to go
- into the land of Benjamin, to separate himself thence in the midst of the people.
- 13. And when he was in the gate of Benjamin.
- a captain of the ward
 - was there, whose name was Iriiah, the son of Shelemiah, the son of Hananiah; and he
- took Jeremiah the prophet. saying, Thou fallest away to the Chaldeans.
- 14. Then said Jeremiah,
 - If is false: I fall not away to the Chaldeans.
- But he hearkened not to him: so
- Iriiah took Jeremiah, and brought him to the princes.
- 15. Wherefore the princes were wroth with Jeremiah, and smote him, and put
 - him in prison in the house of Jonathan the scribe: for they had made that the prison.
 - 16. When Jeremiah was entered into the dungeon, and into the cabins,
- and Jeremiah had remained there
- many days;
- 17. Then Zedekiah
 - the king sent, and
- took him out: and the king
 - asked him secretly

- in his house, and said.
- Is there any word from the LORD? And Jeremiah said.
- There is: for, said he. **5** |
- thou shalt be delivered into the hand of the kina **=** !
- of Babylon.
 - 18. Moreover Jeremiah said unto king Zedekiah.
- What have I offended against thee, or against thy servants, or against this people,
- that ye have put me
- in prison?
- 19. Where are now your prophets which
- prophesied unto you.
- saying, The king of Babylon shall not come against you.
 - nor against this land?
- Therefore hear now. I pray thee. O my lord the king:
- let my supplication. I pray thee,
- be accepted before thee; that thou cause me not to return to the house of Jonathan the scribe.
- lest I die there. 21. Then Zedekiah the king
- commanded that they should commit Jeremiah into
 - the court of the
- prison, and that they should give him daily a piece of
- bread out of the bakers' street, until all the bread in the city were spent. Thus Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

- 1. Then Shephatiah
- the son of Mattan, and
- Gedaliah the son of Pashur, and
- Jucal the son of Shelemiah,
- and Pashur the son of Malchiah,
- heard the words that
- Jeremiah had spoken unto all the people,
- saying,
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD,
- He that remaineth in this
- city shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

■ I but he that goeth forth to the Chaldeans shall live:

for he shall have his life for a prev. and shall live.

- 3. Thus saith the LORD, This city shall surely be given into the hand of the king of Babylon's army, which shall take it.
- 4. Therefore the princes said unto the kina.

We beseech thee.

let this man be put

to death: for thus

he weakeneth the hands of

the men of war that remain in this. city, and the hands of all the people, in speaking such words unto

them; for this man seeketh not the welfare of this people, but the hurt.

■ 5. Then Zedekiah the king said, Behold,

he is in your hand:

> for the king is not he that can do any thing against you.

■ 6. Then took they

Jeremiah, and

cast him into the dungeon of Malchiah the son of Hammelech. that was in the court of the prison:

■ and they let down

Jeremiah with cords.

And in the dungeon

there was no water, but mire: so Jeremiah sunk

in the mire.

7. Now when Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, one of the eunuchs which was in the king's house,

heard that they had put Jeremiah in the dungeon; the king then sitting in the gate of Benjamin:

8. Ebed-melech went forth out of the king's house.

and spake to the king saying, 9. My lord the king,

these men have done evil in all that they have done

to Jeremiah the prophet, whom they have cast into the dungeon;

and he is like to die

for hunger in the place where he is:

for there is no more bread

in the city.

10. Then the kina

commanded Ebed-melech the Ethiopian, saving,

Take from hence thirty men with thee, and take up

Jeremiah the prophet

out of the dungeon. before he die.

11. So Ebed-melech took the men with him, and went into the house of the king under the treasury, and took thence old cast clouts and old rotten rags, and

let them

down by

cords into the dungeon

to Jeremiah.

12. And Ebed-melech the Ethiopian

said unto Jeremiah. Put now

these old cast

clouts and rotten

rags under thine armholes under the cords.

And Jeremiah did so.

13. So they drew up

Jeremiah with cords, and took him up out of the dungeon:

and Jeremiah remained in the court of the prison.

14. Then Zedekiah the king sent, and

took Jeremiah

the prophet unto him **into** the third entry that *is* in

the house of the LORD:

and the kina

said unto Jeremiah,

I will ask thee a thing; hide nothing from me.

15. Then Jeremiah said

unto Zedekiah

If I declare it unto thee.

wilt thou not surely

put me to death? and

if I give thee counsel.

wilt thou not

hearken unto me?

16. So Zedekiah the king sware secretly unto Jeremiah, saying, As the LORD liveth, that made

- us this soul.
- I will not put thee to death,
 neither will I give thee into
 the hand of these men that
 seek thy life.
- seek thy life. ■ 17. Then said Jeremiah
- unto Zedekiah,
- Thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel;
- If thou wilt assuredly
- go forth unto the king of Babylon's princes, then thy
- soul shall live, and this city shall not be burned with fire;
- and thou shalt live, and thine house:

 18. **But if thou wilt not go**
- forth to the king of Babylon's princes,
 then shall this city be given
 into the hand of
- the Chaldeans, and they
- shall burn it with fire,
 and thou shalt not escape out of their hand.
- 19. And Zedekiah the king
- said unto Jeremiah,
- I am afraid of the Jews
- that are fallen to the Chaldeans, lest they
- **deliver me** into their hand,
- and they
- mock me.
- 20. But Jeremiah said, They
- shall not deliver thee.
- Obey, I beseech thee, the voice of the LORD, which I speak unto thee: so it shall be well unto thee,
- and thy soul shall live.
- 21. But if thou refuse to go forth, this is the word that the LORD hath shewed me:
 - 22. And, behold,
- all the women that are left in the king of Judah's house
- shall be brought forth to the king of
- Babylon's princes, and those women shall say.
- Thy friends have
 - set thee on, and have
- prevailed against thee:
 thy feet are sunk in the mire,
 and they are turned away back.
 - 23. So they shall bring out all thy

- wives and thy children to the Chaldeans: and thou shalt not escape out of their hand, but shalt be taken by the hand of the king of Babylon:
- and thou shalt cause this city to be burned with fire
- 24. Then said Zedekiah
- unto Jeremiah,

 Let no man know of these
- Let no man know of these
 words, and thou shalt
 not die.
- 25. **But if the princes** hear that I have talked with thee, and they
- Come unto thee,
- and say unto thee,
- Declaré unto us now
- what thou hast said unto
- the king, hide it not from us, and we will not put thee to death; also what the king said unto thee:
- 26. Then thou shalt
- SQY unto them,
- I presented my
- **supplication** before the king,
- that he would not cause me to return to Jonathan's
- house, to die there.
- nouse, to die ther ■ 27. **Then** came all
- the princes unto Jeremiah, and
- asked him: and he told
- them according to all
- these words that the king
- had commanded. So they left off speaking with him; for the matter was not perceived.
- 28. So Jeremiah abode
- in the court of the prison
- until the day that
 - ı | Jerusalem was taken:

and he was there when Jerusalem was taken.

- | 1. In the ninth year of
- **Zedekiah** king of Judah, in the tenth month,
- came Nebuchadnezzar
- and all
- his army against
- **Jerusalem**, and they besieged it.
 - 2. **And** in the eleventh year of Zedekiah, in the fourth month,

the ninth day of the month. the city was broken up. 3. And all the princes of the king of

Babylon came in,

and sat in the middle gate, even Nergal-sharezer, Samgar-nebo, Sarsechim, Rab-saris,

Nergal-sharezer, Rab-mag. with all the residue of the princes of the king of Babylon.

4. And it came to pass, that when Zedekiah

the king of Judah

saw them, and all

the men of war, then they fled.

and went forth out of the city

by night, by the way of the king's garden,

by the gate betwixt the two walls; and he went out the way of the plain.

5. But the Chaldeans' army pursued after them, and overtook Zedekigh in the plains of Jericho: and when they had taken him.

they brought him up

to Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath.

where he gave judgment upon him.

■ 6. Then the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekigh in Riblah

before his eyes: also the king of Babylon slew

all the nobles of Judah.

7. Moreover he put out Zedekiah's eyes, and

bound him with chains, to carry him to Babylon.

■ 8 And the Chaldeans

burned the king's house, and the houses

of the people, with fire,

and brake down the ■ walls of Jerusalem.

■ 9. Then Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard carried away

captive into Babylon

the remnant of the people

that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to him, with the rest of the people that remained.

10. But Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard

left of

the poor of the people,

which had nothing. in the land of Judah.

and gave them vineyards and fields at the same time.

11. Now Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon

gave charge concerning

Jeremiah to Nebuzaradan the captain of the quard, saving.

12. Take him, and look well to him, and do him no harm; but

do unto him even

as he shall say unto thee.

13. So Nebuzaradan the captain of the guard sent, and

Nebushasban, Rabsaris, and Nergalsharezer, Rabmag, and all the king of Babylon's princes:

14. Even they sent, and

took Jeremiah out of the court of the

prison, and committed him unto Gedaliah the son of

Ahikam the son of Shaphan,

that he should carry him home: so he dwelt amona the people.

15. Now the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

while he was shut up in the court of the

prison, saying,

16. Go and speak to

Ebedmelech the Ethiopian.

saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,

I will bring my words upon

this city for evil. and not for good:

and they shall be

accomplished in that day

before thee.

17. But I will deliver thee in that day, saith the LORD; and thou shalt not be given into the hand of the

- men of whom thou art afraid.
- 18 For I will surely deliver thee
- **and** thou shalt not fall by the sword, but
- thy life shall be for a prey
- unto thee: because thou
- hast put thy trust in me. saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 40

- 1 1. The word that came to Jeremiah from the LOBD.
- after that
- Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard had let him go from Ramah,
- when he had taken him being bound in chains among all that were
- carried away captive of
- Jerusalem and Judah. which were carried away captive
- unto Babylon.
- 2. And the captain of the quard ■ took Jeremiah, and said unto him.
- The LORD thy God
- hath pronounced this evil upon this place.
 - 3. Now the LORD hath brought it, and done according as he hath said:
- because ye have sinned against the LORD, and have not obeyed his voice, therefore this thing is come upon you.
- 4. And now, behold.
- I loose thee this day
- from the chains

which were upon thine hand.

- If it seem good unto thee
- to come with me into
- Babylon, come; and I will look well unto thee: but if it
- seem ill unto thee to come with me into Babylon.
- forbear:

behold, all the land is before thee: whither it seemeth good and convenient for thee to go, thither go. 5. Now while he was not yet gone

- back, he said. Go back also
- to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, whom
- the king of Babylon hath made

- governor over the cities of Judah, and dwell with him
 - among the people; or go wheresoever it seemeth convenient unto thee to go.
- So the captain of the auard gave him victuals and a reward, and
- let him ao.
- 6. Then went Jeremiah unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Miznah:
 - and dwelt with him
- among the people that were
 - left in the land.
- 7 Now when all the
- captains of the forces which were in the fields.
 - even they and their men.
- heard that the king of Babylon
- had made Gedaliah
- the son of Ahikam
- governor in the land. and had committed unto him men, and women, and children, and of the poor of the land, of them that were not carried away captive to Babylon;
- 8. Then they came to
- Gedaliah to Mizpah, even Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, and Johanan and Jonathan the sons of Kareah, and Seraiah the son of Tanhumeth, and the sons of Ephai the Netophathite. and Jezaniah the son of a
- Maachathite, they and their men. And Gedaliah the son of
- Ahikam the son of Shaphan
- sware unto them and to their men.
- saying, Fear not to serve
- the Chaldeans: dwell
 - in the land, and serve the king of Babylon,
- and it shall be well with you.
- As for me, behold,
- I will dwell at Mizpah, to serve the Chaldeans.
 - which will come unto us:
- **but ye,** gather ye wine, and summer fruits, and oil, and out them in your vessels, and
- dwell in your cities
- that ye have taken.

11 Likewise when all the Jews that were in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that were in all

the countries. heard that the king of Babylon

had left a remnant of

Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan:

12. Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven,

and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much.

13. Moreover Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces that were in the fields.

came to Gedaliah to Mizpah,

And said unto him.

Dost thou certainly

know that Baalis the king of the Ammonites hath sent

Ishmael the son of Nethaniah to slay thee? But Gedaliah

the son of Ahikam believed them not.

15. Then Johanan the son of Kareah

spake to Gedaliah in Mizpah secretly saying, Let me go,

I pray thee. and I will

slay Ishmael

the son of Nethaniah.

and no man shall know it:

wherefore should he slav thee, that all the Jews

which are gathered unto thee

should be scattered.

and the remnant in Judah perish?

16. But Gedaliah the son of Ahikam

■ | said unto Johanan the son of Kareah.

■ Thou shalt not do this

thing: for thou speakest

I falsely of Ishmael.

CHAPTER 41

I■I 1. Now it came to pass

in the seventh month, that Ishmael the son of Nethaniah the son of Elishama, of the seed roval, and the princes of the king, even

ten men with him.

came unto Gedaliah the son of Ahikam to Mizpah;

and there they

did eat bread together in Mizpah.

Then grose Ishmael the son of Nethaniah.

and the ten men that were with him.

and smote Gedaliah

the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan with the sword, and slew him. whom the king of Babylon had made governor over the land.

3 Ishmael also slew all the Jews that were with him. even with Gedaliah, at Mizpah, and the Chaldeans that were found there.

and the men of war.

4. And it came to pass the second day after he had slain Gedaliah.

and no man knew it.

That there came certain from Shechem, from Shiloh, and from Samaria, even fourscore men,

having their beards shaven, and their clothes rent, and having cut themselves. with offerings and incense in

their hand. to bring them

to the house of the LORD.

And Ishmael the son of Nethaniah

went forth from Mizpah

to meet them, weeping all along

as he went: and

it came to pass, as he met them,

he said unto them. Come to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam.

And it was so.

when they came into

the midst of the city, that

ishmael the son of Nethaniah

- slew them, and cast them into the midst of the pit, he, and the men that were with him.
- 8 But ten men were found
- among them that
- said unto Ishmael,
- Slay us not: for we have
- treasures in the field
- of wheat, and of
- barley, and of
- oil, and of
- honey. So he forbare, and slew them not among their brethren.
- 9. Now the pit wherein Ishmael had cast all the dead bodies of the men, whom he had slain because of Gedaliah, was it
- which Asa the king
- had made for fear of Baasha

king of Israel: and

- Ishmael the son of Nethaniah
- filled it with them that were slain.
- 10. Then Ishmael carried away captive all the
- residue of the people

that were in Mizpah, even the king's daughters, and all the people that remained in Mizpah, whom Nebuzar-adan the captain of the quard had committed to Gedaliah the son of Ahikam; and Ishmael the son of Nethaniah carried them away captive,

and departed to go over to the Ammonites.

- 11 But when Johanan the son of Kareah.
- and all the captains
- of the forces that were with him.
- heard of all the evil that
- Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had done.
- 12. Then they
 - took all the men, and
- went to fight with Ishmael the son of Nethaniah,
- and found him by the great
- waters that are
- in Gibeon.
- 13. Now it came to pass, that when all the people
 - which were
- with Ishmael saw Johanan

the son of Kareah.

- and all the captains of
 - the forces that were
- with him, then
- they were glad.
 - 14. So all the people that
 - Ishmael had carried
 - away captive

from Mizpah cast about and

- returned, and went unto
- Johanan the son of Kareah.
 - 15 But Ishmael
 - the son of Nethaniah
- escaped from Johanan with eight men, and went
- to the Ammonites.
- 16. Then took Johanan the son of Kareah.
 - and all the captains of
- the forces that were

- with him, all the remnant of the people
- whom he had recovered
- from Ishmael the son of Nethaniah, from Mizpah, after that he had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, even mighty men of war, and the women, and the children.
- and the eunuchs. whom he had brought again from Gibeon:
- 17. And they departed, and dwelt in the habitation of Chimham, which is by Beth-lehem,
- to ao to enter into
- Egypt,
- 18. Because of
- the Chaldeans: for they
- were afraid of them,

because Ishmael the son of Nethaniah had slain Gedaliah the son of Ahikam, whom the king of Babylon made governor in the land.

- 1. Then all the captains of the forces, and Johanan the son of Kareah, and Jezaniah the son of Hoshaiah, and
- all the people from the least even unto the greatest,
- came near.
- 2 And said unto Jeremiah

the prophet. Let, we beseech thee, our supplication be accepted before thee, and pray for us unto the LORD thy God. even for all this remnant; (for we are left but a few of many, as thine eyes do behold us:) 3. That the LORD thy God

may shew us the way wherein we may walk,

and the thing that we may do.

4. Then Jeremiah the prophet said unto them. I have heard you:

I will pray unto the LORD your God according to your words:

and it shall come to pass, that ■ | whatsoever thing the LORD shall answer you,

I will declare it unto you; I will keep nothing back from you.

5. Then they said to Jeremiah. The LORD be a true and faithful witness between us.

if we do not even according to

all things for the

which the LORD thy God shall send thee

to us.

6. Whether it be

good, or whether it be

evil, we will obey the voice of the LORD our God, to whom we send

that it may be well with us, when we obey the voice of the LORD our Goo

7. And it came to pass

after ten days, that

the word of the LORD came unto Jeremiah.

8. Then called he Johanan the son of Kareah

and all

the captains of the forces which were with him, and all the people from the least even to the greatest.

9. And said unto them.

Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel, unto whom ye sent me to present your supplication before him:

10. If ye will still abide in this land, then will I build you, and not pull you

down, and I will plant you, and not pluck you up: for I repent me of the evil that I have done unto you.

11. Be not afraid of the king

of Babylon, of whom ye are afraid; be not afraid of him. saith the LORD:

for I am with you to save you, and

to deliver you from his hand.

12. And I will shew mercies

unto you, that he may have mercy upon you, and cause you to return to vour own land.

13. But if ye say, We will not dwell in this land, neither

obey the voice of the LORD your God.

14. Saving No:

but we will go into the land of Egypt, where we shall see

no war, nor hear the sound of the trumpet.

nor have hunger of bread.

and there will we dwell:

And now therefore hear the word. of the LORD, ve remnant of Judah: Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: If ye wholly set your faces to enter into Egypt, and go to sojourn there:

16. Then it shall come to pass, that the sword, which ye feared,

shall overtake you there

in the land of

Egypt, and the

famine, whereof ye were afraid,

shall follow close after

you there in Egypt;

and there ye shall die.

17. So shall it be with all the men that set their faces to go into Egypt to sojourn there; they shall die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:

and none of them

shall remain or

escape from the evil that I will bring upon them.

18 For thus saith the LORD of

hosts, the God of Israel:

As mine anger and my fury ■ hath been poured forth

upon the inhabitants of Jerusalem; so shall my

■ fury be poured forth

upon you, when ye shall

enter into

Equal: and ve shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach:

and ve shall see this place no more.

19. The LORD hath said concerning you, O ye

remnant of Judah; Go ye not into Eavpt:

know certainly that I have admonished you this day.

20. For ve dissembled in your hearts, when ye sent

me unto the LORD your God,

saying, Pray for us unto the LORD our God:

and according unto

all that the LORD our God shall say, so **5**1

declare unto us, and

we will do it.

21. And now I have this day declared it to you:

but ve have not obeyed the voice of

the LORD

your God, nor any thing for the which he hath sent me unto you.

■ 22. **Now** therefore

■ know certainly that ye shall

die by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence, in the place whither ve desire to go and to sojourn.

CHAPTER 43

1. And it came to pass, that

when Jeremiah had made

■ an end of speaking

unto all the people all the words of the LORD their God, for which the LORD their God had sent him to them, even all these words.

2. Then spake Azariah the son of Hoshaiah, and Johanan the son of Kareah.

and all the proud men.

savina unto Jeremiah.

Thou speakest falsely: the LORD our God

hath not sent thee to say.

Go not into Egypt to soiourn there:

3 But Baruch the son of Neriah

setteth thee on

against us, for

to deliver us into the hand of the Chaldeans.

that they might put us to death, and carry us away

captives into Babylon.

So Johanan the son of Kareah. and all the captains of the forces, and

all the people, obeyed not the voice of the LORD.

to dwell in the land of Judah.

5. But Johanan the son of Kareah, and all the captains of the forces, took

all the remnant of Judah. that were returned from all nations. whither they had been driven, to dwell in the land of Judah:

6. Even men, and women, and children, and the king's daughters.

every person that

Nebuzar-adan the captain of the quard

had left with Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan, and Jeremiah the prophet.

and Baruch the son of Neriah.

7. So they

came into the land of Egypt: for they obeyed not the

voice of the LORD: thus came they even to Tahpanhes.

8. Then came the word of the LORD unto Jeremiah in

Tahpanhes, saying,

Take great

stones in thine hand.

and hide them in the clay in

the brickkiln, which is

at the entry of Pharaoh's

house in Tahpanhes, in the sight of the men of Judah:

10. And say unto them,

- Thus saith the LORD of hosts. the God of Israel: Behold,
- I will send and take Nebuchadrezzar
- the king of Babylon.
- my servant, and will
- set his throne upon these
 - stones that I have hid; and he shall spread his royal pavilion over them.
 - 11. And when he cometh.
- he shall smite the land of Egypt, and deliver such as are for death
- to death: and such as are for captivity
- to captivity; and such as are for the sword to the sword.
- 12. And I will kindle a fire in the houses of
- the gods of Egypt; and he shall burn them, and carry them away captives:
- and he
- shall array himself with the land of Egypt, as a shepherd
 - putteth on his garment.
- and he shall ao forth from thence
- in peace.
 - 13. He shall break also the images of Beth-shemesh, that is in the land of Egypt; and the houses of the gods of the Egyptians shall he burn with fire.

- 1. The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all
- the Jews which dwell
- in the land of
- Egypt, which dwell at Migdol, and at Tahpanhes, and at Noph, and in the country of Pathros.
- saying.
- 2. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel:
- Ye have seen all
- | the evil that
- I have brought upon
- Jerusalem, and upon all the cities of
- Judah; and, behold, this day they are a desolation, and no man dwelleth therein

- 3 Because of their wickedness which they have committed to provoke me to anger,
- in that they went to burn incense, and to
- serve other gods. whom they knew not, neither they,
 - ve, nor your fathers. 4. Howbeit I sent
- unto you all my servants the prophets,
 - rising early and sending them,
- saying, Oh,
- do not this abominable thing that I hate.
 - But they hearkened not. nor inclined their ear to turn from their wickedness, to burn no incense unto other gods.
- 6. Wherefore my fury and mine anger was poured forth. and was kindled
- in the cities of Judah and in the streets of
 - Jerusalem; and they are wasted and
- desolate, as at this day.
- 7. Therefore now thus saith the LORD, the God of hosts, the God of Israel;
- Wherefore commit ye this great evil against your souls, to cut off from you man and woman, child and suckling, out of Judah, to leave you none to remain:
 - 8. In that ye provoke me unto wrath with the works of your hands, burning incense unto other gods in the land of Egypt, whither ye be gone to dwell, that
- **ve** might
- cut yourselves off, and that ye might be a curse
- and a reproach among all the nations of the earth?
- Have ye forgotten the wickedness of your
- fathers, and the wickedness of the kings of Judah, and the
- wickedness of their wives, and your own wickedness.
 - and the wickedness of your wives, which they have committed in the

- land of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem?
- 10. They are not humbled even unto this day,
- neither have they feared, nor walked in
- my law, nor in my statutes, that I set before you and before your fathers.
- 11. **Therefore** thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,
- I will set my face against
 you for evil, and to cut off all
 Judah
- 12. And I will take
- the remnant of Judah, that have set their faces to
- go into the land of
- Egypt to sojourn there, and they shall all be consumed, and fall in the land of Egypt; they shall even be consumed by the sword and by the famine: they shall die, from the least even unto the greatest, by the sword and by the famine: and they shall be an execration, and an astonishment, and a curse, and a reproach.
 - 13. For I will punish them that dwell in the land of Egypt, as I have punished Jerusalem, by the sword, by the famine, and by the pestilence:
- 14. So that none of the remnant of Judah, which are gone into the land of Egypt to sojourn there,
- shall escape or remain,
- that they should return into
 the land of Judah, to the which they have a desire to return to dwell there: for none shall return but such as shall escape.
- 15. Then all the men which knew that their wives had burned incense unto other gods, and all the women that stood by, a great multitude, even all the people that dwelt in the land of Egypt, in Pathros,
- answered Jeremiah, saying, 16. As for the word that thou hast spoken unto us in the name of the LORD,
 - we will not hearken unto

- I thee.
- 17. **But we will** certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to
- burn incense unto the
- queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her,
- as we have done, we, and our fathers, our kings, and our princes, in the cities of Judah, and in the streets of Jerusalem:
- for *then* had we plenty of
- victuals, and were well,
- and saw no evil.
 18. But since we left
- off to burn incense to
- the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her,
- we have wanted all things,
 and have been consumed
 by the sword and by the famine.
 - 19. And when we burned incense to the queen of heaven, and poured out drink offerings unto her, did we make her cakes to worship her, and pour out drink offerings unto her, without our men?
- 20. Then Jeremiah said unto all the people, to the men, and to the women, and to all the people which had given him that answer, saying,
- 21. The incense that ye
- burned in the cities of
- Judah, and in the streets of
- Jerusalem, ye, and your fathers, your kings, and your princes, and the people of the land,
- did not the LORD remember them, and came it *not* into his mind?
- 22. So that the LORD could
- no longer bear, because of the evil of your doings, and
- because of the abominations which ye have committed;
- therefore is your land a desolation, and an
 - astonishment, and a curse, without an inhabitant, as at this day.
- 23. Because ye have burned incense, and because ye have sinned against the LORD, and
- have not obeyed the voice of
- the LORD, nor walked in his law,

nor in his statutes, nor in his testimonies:

- therefore this evil is happened unto you, as at this day.
- 24. Moreover Jeremiah
- **Said** unto all the people, and to all the women,
 - Hear the word of the LORD, all Judah that are in the land of Egypt: 25. Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, saying: Ye and your wives have both spoken with your mouths, and fulfilled with your hand, saying. We will surely perform our vows that we have vowed, to burn incense to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto her: ye will surely accomplish your vows, and surely perform your vows.
 - 26. Therefore hear ye the word of the LORD, all Judah that dwell in the land of Egypt:
- Behold, I have sworn by my great name, saith the LORD,
- that my name shall no more be named in the mouth of any man of Judah
- in all the land of
- **Egypt**, saying. The LORD GOD liveth.
 - 27. Behold, I will watch over them for evil. and not for good:
- and all the men of Judah
- that are in the land of
- Egypt shall be consumed by the sword and by the famine, until there be an end of them.
- 28. **Yet a small number** that escape the sword
- shall return out of the land
- of Egypt into the land of
 Judah, and all the remnant of
 Judah, that are gone into the land
- of Egypt to sojourn there, shall know whose words
- shall stand, mine, or theirs.
 29. And this shall be a sign
- unto you, saith the LORD, that I will punish you in this place, that ye may know that my words shall surely stand against you for evil:
 - 30. Thus saith the LORD; Behold,

- I will give Pharaoh-hophra
 I king of Egypt into the hand
 - of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life:
- as I gave Zedekiah king of
- into the hand of
 - Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life

CHAPTER 45

- 1. The word that Jeremiah the prophet
- spake unto Baruch the son of Neriah.
- when he had written these words in a book at the mouth of
 - Jeremiah.
- in the fourth year of
- Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah, saving.
- 2. Thus saith the LORD, the God of Israel.
- unto thee, O Baruch:
- 3. Thou didst say, Woe is me now! for the LORD hath added arief
- the LORD hath added grief to my sorrow; I fainted in my sighing.
- and I find no rest.
 - 4. Thus shalt thou say unto him,
- The LORD saith thus; Behold,
- I that which I have built will I
- break down, and that which I have planted I will pluck up.
- even this whole land.
- 5. And seekest thou
- great things for thyself?
- seek them
- not: for, behold,
- I will bring evil upon all
- flesh, saith the LORD:
- | but thy life will I give unto
- thee for a prey in all places
 - whither thou goest.

- 1. The word of the LORD
 - which came to Jeremiah the prophet
- against the Gentiles;
 - 2. Against Egypt, against
- the army of Pharaoh-necho king

- of Egypt, which was by the river Euphrates in Carchemish, which Nebuchadrezzar king of Babvion
- smole in the fourth year of Jehoiakim the son of Josiah king of Judah.
 - Order ye the buckler and shield, and

draw near to battle.

- 4. Harness the horses; and get up, ye horsemen, and stand forth with *your* helmets; furbish the spears, *and* put on the brigandines.
- 5. Wherefore have I seen them dismayed and turned away back? and their mighty ones are beaten down, and are fled apace, and look not back: for fear was round about, saith the LORD.
- 6. Let not the swift flee away, nor the mighty man escape; they shall stumble, and fall toward the north by the river Euphrates.
- 7. Who is this that cometh up as a flood, whose waters are moved as the rivers?
- 8. Egypt riseth up like a
 flood, and his waters are moved like
 the rivers;
- and he saith, I will go up, and will
- cover the earth; I will destroy the city and

the inhabitants thereof.

- Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; the Ethiopians and the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle and bend the bow.
- 10. For this is the day of the Lord GOD of hosts.
- a day of vengeance.
- that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword
 - his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood:
- for the Lord GOD of hosts
- hath a sacrifice in the north country
- | by the river Euphrates.

11. Go up into Gilead, and take balm, O virgin,

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- of Egypt: in vain shalt thou use many medicines; for thou shalt not be cured.
- 12. The nations have heard of thy shame, and thy cry hath filled the land: for the mighty man hath stumbled against the mighty, and they are fallen both together.
- 13. The word that the LORD spake to Jeremiah
- the prophet,
- how Nebuchadrezzar
- should come and smite the land of
- Egypt.
- 14. Declare ye ■ in Egypt, and
 - in Egypt, and publish in
- Migdol, and publish in
- Noph and in Tahpanhes:
- Stand fast, and prepare thee;
- for the sword shall devour round about thee.
- 15. Why are thy valiant men swept away?
 - they stood not,
- because the LORDdid drive them.
 - 16. He made many to fall, yea,
 - one fell upon another: and
- they said, Arise, and
- let us go again
- to our own people, and to the
- land of our nativity,
- from the oppressing
- sword.

- 17. They did cry there,
- Pharaoh king of Egypt
- is but a noise; he hath passed the time appointed.
 - 18. As I live, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor is among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, so shall he come.
- 19. O thou daughter
- dwelling in Egypt, furnish
- thyself to go into captivity: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant.

- 20. Egypt is like a very fair heifer, but destruction cometh; it cometh out of the north.
 - 21. Also her hired men are in the midst of her like fatted bullocks; for they also are turned back, and are fled away together: they did not stand, because the day of their calamity was come upon them, and the time of their visitation.
 - The voice thereof shall go like a serpent; for they shall march with an army, and come against her with axes, as hewers of wood.
 They shall cut down her
 - forest, saith the LORD, though it cannot be searched; because they are more than the grasshoppers, and are innumerable.
- 24. The daughter of Egypt shall be confounded; she shall be delivered into the hand of the people of the north.

 25. The LORD of hosts.
- 25. The LORD of hosts the God of Israel.
- saith; Behold,
- I will punish the multitude of No. and
- Pharaoh, and Egypt, with their gods, and their kings; even Pharaoh.
- and all them that trust in him:
- in him:
 26. And I will deliver them
 into the hand of those that seek
- their lives, and into the hand of

 Nebuchadrezzar king of
 Babylon, and into the hand of
- Babylon, and into the hand of his servants: and afterward it shall be inhabited, as in the days of old, saith the LORD.
- 27. But fear not thou, O my servant Jacob, and be not dismayed,
 O Israel: for, behold.
- I will save thee from afar off,
- and thy seed from the land of their captivity:
- and Jacob shall return,
 and be in rest and at ease, and none shall make him alraid.
 Fear thou not, O Jacob my
 - servant, saith the LORD:

 for I am with thee; for

- I will make a full end of all the nations whither I have
- driven thee: but I will not make a full end of thee.
 - but correct thee in measure;
- yet will I not leave thee wholly unpunished.

CHAPTER 47

- 1. The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet
- against the Philistines, before that Pharaoh smote Gaza.
 - 2. Thus saith the LORD:
- Behold, waters rise up out
- of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood.
- and shall overflow the
- land, and all that is therein; the city,
- and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the
 - the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.
- At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong horses, at the rushing of his
- **chariots**, **and** at the rumbling of his wheels
- the fathers shall not look
 back to their children for
 - feebleness of hands;
- 4. Because of the day that

- cometh to spoil all
- the Philistines, and to cut off from Tyrus and Zidon every helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of the country of Caphtor.
 - 5. Baldness is come upon Gaza; Ashkelon is cut off *with* the remnant of their valley; how long wilt thou cut thyself?
- 6. O thou sword of the
 - LORD, how long will it be ere thou be quiet?
- put up thyself into thy scabbard, rest, and
- be still.
- 7. How can it be quiet,
- seeing the LORD hath given
- it a charge against
 - Ashkelon, and against
 - I the sea shore? there hath he

appointed it.

- 1 1. Against Moab thus saith
- the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: Whe unto Nehol for it is spoiled: Kiriathaim is confounded and taken: Misgab is confounded and dismayed.
- 2. There shall be no more praise of Moab: in Heshbon they have devised evil against it; come, and
- let us cut it off from being a nation. Also thou shalt be cut
- down. O Madmen: the sword shall pursue ■ I thee.
 - 3. A voice of crying shall be from Horonaim, spoiling and great destruction.
- 4. Moab is destroyed; her little ones have caused a cry to be heard. 5. For in the going up of Luhith continual weeping shall go up: for in the going down of Horonaim the enemies have heard a
- crv of destruction. 6. Flee, save your lives. and be like the heath
- in the wilderness.
- 7. For because
- thou hast trusted in thy works and in thy
- treasures, thou shalt also
- be taken: and Chemosh shall go forth
- into captivity with his priests and his princes together.
- 8. And the spoiler shall
- come upon every city,
- and no city shall escape: the valley also shall perish, and the plain shall be destroyed.
- as the LORD hath spoken.
 - 9. Give wings unto Moab, that it may flee and get away: for the cities thereof shall be desolate, without any to dwell therein.
- 10. Cursed be he that doeth the work of the LORD
- | **deceiffully**, and cursed *be* he that

- keepeth back his sword from blood.
- 11. Moab hath been at ease from his youth, and he hath settled on
- and hath not been emptied from vessel to vessel,
- neither hath he gone into
 - captivity: therefore his taste remained in him, and his scent is not changed.
- 12. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that
- I will send unto him
- wanderers, that shall
- cause him to wander, and shall empty his vessels, and break their bottles.
- 13 And Moab shall be
- ashamed of Chemosh.
- QS the house of
- Israel was ashamed
 - of Beth-el their confidence.
- 14. How say ye, We are **mighty** and strong men for the war?
 - 15. Moab is spoiled, and gone up out of her cities.
- and his chosen
- young men are gone down to the slaughter, saith the
 - King, whose name is
- the LORD of hosts.
 - 16. The calamity of Moab is near to come, and his affliction hasteth fast.
- 17. All ve that are
- about him, bemoon him; and all ye that know his name, say, How is the strong staff broken, and the beautiful rod!
 - 18. Thou daughter that dost inhabit Dibon, come down from thy glory, and sit in thirst; for
- the spoiler of Moab shall come upon thee, and he shall destroy thy strong holds.
 - 19. O inhabitant of Aroer, stand by the way, and espy; ask him that fleeth, and her that escapeth, and say, What is done?
- 20. **Moab** is confounded; for it is broken down: howl and cry; tell ye it in Arnon, that Moab is spoiled.
- 21. And judgment is come

upon the plain country;

upon Holon, and upon Jahazah, and upon Mephaath.

And upon Dibon, and upon Nebo, and upon Beth-diblathaim,
 And upon Kiriathaim, and upon Beth-gamul, and upon Beth-meon,

24. And upon Kerioth, and upon Bozrah, and upon all the cities of the land of Moab, far or near.

25. **The horn of Moab**is cut off, and his arm is broken, saith the LORD.

26. Make ye him drunken:

for he magnified himself
against the LORD: Moab also
shall wallow in his vomit, and he also
shall be in derision

27. For was not Israel a derision unto thee? was he found among thieves? for since thou spakest of him, thou skippedst for joy.

28. O ye that dwell in Moab, leave the cities, and dwell in the rock, and be like the dove that maketh her nest in the sides of the hole's mouth

29. We have heard the pride of Moab, (he is exceeding proud) his loftiness, and his arrogancy, and his pride, and the haughtiness of his heart.

aughtiness of his heart.

30. I know his wrath, saith the LORD; but it shall not be so;
his lies shall not
so effect if.

31. Therefore will I howl for Moab, and I will cry out for all Moab; *mine heart* shall mourn for the men of Kir–heres, 32. O vine of Sibmah, I will weep for thee with the weeping of Jazer: thy plants are gone over the sea, they reach *even* to the sea of Jazer: the spoiler is fallen upon thy summer fruits and upon thy vintage.

33. And joy and gladness is taken from the plentiful field, and from

the land of Moab, and
 have caused wine to fail
 from the winepresses: none
 shall tread with shouting: their

shouting shall be no shouting.

34. From the cry of Heshbon even unto Elealeh, and even unto Jahaz, have they uttered their voice, from Zoar even unto Horonaim, as an heifer of three years old: for

■ the waters also

of Nimrim shall be desolate.

35. Moreover I will cause to cease in Moab, saith the LORD,

him that offereth in the high places, and him that

burneth incense to his gods.

36. Therefore mine heart shall sound for Moab

■ like pipes, and mine heart shall sound like pipes for the men of Kir-heres:

because the riches that he hath gotten are perished.
37. For every head shall be

37. For every head shall be bald, and every beard clipped: upon all the hands shall

be cuttings,
and upon the loins
sackcloth.

■ 38. There shall be lamentation genera

lamentation generally upon all the housetops of Moab, and in the streets thereof:

for I have broken Moab
like a vessel wherein is no

pleasure, saith the LORD.

39. They shall howl, saying, How is it broken down! how hath Moab turned the back with shame! so shall Moab be a derision and a dismaying to all them about him.

40. For thus saith the LORD;
Behold, he shall fly as an
eagle, and shall spread his wings

over Moab.
 41. Kerioth is taken, and the strong holds are surprised, and

the mighty men's hearts in Moab at that day

shall be as the heart of a woman in her panas.

■ 42. And Moab shall be

destroyed from being a people, because he hath magnified

- himself against the LORD. 43. Fear, and the pit, and
- the snare, shall be upon thee, O inhabitant of Moab.
- saith the LORD.
 - - 44 He that fleeth from the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that getteth up out of the pit shall be taken in the snare:
- for I will bring upon it, even upon Moab.
- the year of their visitation. saith the LORD.
 - 45. They that fled stood under the shadow of Heshbon because of the force: but a fire shall come forth out of Heshbon, and a flame from the midst of Sihon, and shall devour the corner of Moab, and the crown of the head of the tumultuous ones.
 - 46. Woe be unto thee, O Moab! the people of Chemosh perisheth: for thy sons are taken captives, and thy daughters captives.
- 47. Yet will I bring again the
- captivity of Moab in the latter days, saith the LORD.
 - Thus far is the judgment of Moab.

- 1 1. Concerning the
 - Ammonites, thus saith the LORD:
- Hath Israel no sons? hath he
- no heir? why then doth their
- king inherit Gad, and his people dwell in his cities?
- 2. Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that
- I will cause an alarm of
- WOI to be heard
- in Rabbah of the
- Ammonites; and it shall be a desolate heap, and her daughters shall be burned with fire: then shall Israel be heir unto them that were his heirs, saith the LORD.
 - 3. Howl, O Heshbon, for Ai is spoiled: cry, ye daughters of Rabbah, gird you with sackcloth; lament, and run to and fro by the hedges; for
- their king shall go into
- captivity, and his priests and his princes together.

- 4. Wherefore aloriest thou in the valleys, thy flowing valley.
- O backsliding daughter?
- that trusted in her
 - treasures, saving. Who shall come unto me?
- 5. Behold, I will
 - bring a fear upon thee. saith the Lord GOD of hosts.
 - from all
- those that be
- about thee; and ye shall be
- driven out every man right forth: and none shall gather up him that wandereth
- 6. And afterward I will bring again the captivity of the
- of Ammon, saith the LORD.
- 7. Concerning Edom, thus
- saith the LORD of hosts: Is wisdom no more in Teman? is counsel. perished from the prudent? is their wisdom vanished?
 - 8. Flee ve, turn back, dwell deep, O inhabitants of Dedan; for
- I will bring the calamity of Esau upon him, the time that I will visit him.
 - 9. If grapegatherers come to thee, would they not leave some gleaning grapes? if thieves by night, they will destroy till they have enough.
 - Rut I have made Esau bare. I have uncovered his
- secret places, and he shall
- **not** be able to
- hide himself:
- his seed is spoiled, and his brethren, and his neighbours,
 - and he is not.
 - 11. Leave
- thy fatherless
- children, I will preserve them alive:
- and let thy widows trust in me.
- 12. For thus saith the LORD: **Behold**, they whose judgment was not to drink of the cup have assuredly drunken; and art thou he that shall altogether go unpunished?
- thou shalt not go

- unpunished, but thou shalt surely drink of it.
- 13. For I have sworn by myself, saith the LORD, that Bozrah shall become a desolation, a reproach, a waste.

and a curse; and all the cities thereof shall be

perpetual wastes. 14. I have heard

a rumour from the LOBD, and

an ambassador is sent unto the heathen, saying. Gather ve together, and

- come against her, and rise up to the battle.
 - 15. For, lo, I will make thee small among the heathen. and despised among men.
- 16. Thy terribleness hath deceived thee, and the pride of thine heart. O thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock. that holdest the height of the hill: though thou shouldest make thy nest as high as the eagle.
- I will bring thee down from thence.
 - saith the LORD.
- 17. Also Edom shall be a desolation: every one that goeth by it shall be
- astonished, and shall hiss at all the plagues thereof.
 - 18. As in the overthrow of Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour cities thereof, saith the LORD, no man shall abide there, neither shall a son of man dwell in it.
 - 19. Behold, he shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan against the habitation of the strong: but I will suddenly make him run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I may appoint over her? for who is like me? and who will appoint me the time? and who is that shepherd that will stand before me?
- 20. Therefore hear the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken against
 - Edom; and his purposes, that he hath purposed against the inhabitants

of Teman: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out:

- surely he shall make their habitations desolate with them
 - 21. The earth is moved at the noise of their fall, at the cry the noise thereof was heard in the Red sea.
 - 22. Behold, he shall come up and fly as the eagle, and spread his wings over Bozrah; and at that day shall the heart of the mighty men of Edom be as the heart of a woman in her pangs.
- 23. Concerning Damascus. Hamath is confounded, and Arpad; for they have heard evil

tidings: they are

- fainthearted; there is sorrow on the sea: it cannot be quiet.
- 24 Damascus is waxed feeble, and turneth herself to flee, and fear hath seized on her: anguish and sorrows have taken her. as a woman in travail.
- 25. How is the city of praise not left, the city of my joy!
- 26. Therefore her young men shall fall in her streets, and all
- the men of war shall be cut off in that day.
- saith the LORD of hosts.
- 27 And I will kindle a
- fire in the wall of Damascus, and it
- shall consume the palaces of Ben-hadad.
- 28. Concerning Kedar, and concerning the kingdoms of
- Hazor, which
- Nebuchadrezzar king of
 - shall smite, thus saith the LORD; Arise ye, go up to Kedar, and spoil the men of the east.
- Their tents and their flocks shall they take away: they shall take to themselves their curtains, and all their vessels, and their camels; and they shall cry unto them, Fear is on every side.
 - 30. Flee, get you far off, dwell deep, O ye inhabitants of Hazor, saith the LORD; for Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath taken counsel

against you, and hath conceived a purpose against you.

31. Arise, get you up unto the wealthy nation, that dwelleth without care. saith the LORD, which have neither gates nor bars, which dwell alone. 32. And their camels shall be a booty. and the multitude of their cattle a spoil: and I will scatter into all winds them that are in the utmost corners: and I will bring their calamity from all sides thereof, saith the LORD.

33. And Hazor shall be a dwelling for dragons, and

a desolation for ever: there shall no man abide there, nor any son of man dwell in it.

34 The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet

■ against Elam in the ■ | beginning of the reign of Zedekiah king of Judah, saying,

35. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: Behold.

I will break the bow of

Elam. the chief of their might. 36. And upon Elam

will I bring the four winds from the four quarters of heaven.

and will

scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts. of Elam shall not come.

> 37. For I will cause Elam to be dismayed before their enemies, and before them that seek their life; and I will bring evil upon them, even my fierce anger, saith the LORD;

and I will send the sword after them, till I have

consumed them:

38. And I will set my throne in Elam, and

will destroy from thence the king and the princes,

saith the LORD.

■ 39. **But** it shall come to pass ■ in the latter days, that

I will bring again the captivity of Elam.

saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 50

1. The word that the LORD spake against Babylon and against the land of the Chaldeans

by Jeremiah the prophet.

2. Declare ve amona the nations, and publish, and set up a standard; publish, and conceal not: say.

Babylon is taken. Bel is confounded. Merodach is broken in pieces:

her idols are confounded. **=** ! her images.

are broken in pieces. For out of the north there.

cometh up

a nation against her.

which shall make her land desolate, and none shall dwell

therein: they shall remove, they shall depart, both man and beast.

4. In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD, the children of Israel shall come, they and the children of

Judah together, going and weeping: they

shall go, and

seek the LORD their God.

5. They shall ask the way to Zion with their faces thitherward.

saying, Come, and

let us join ourselves to the LORD in a perpetual

covenant that shall not be foraotten.

6. My people hath been lost sheep: their shepherds

have caused them to go astray, they have turned them away on the mountains: they have gone from mountain to hill.

they have forgotten their restinaplace.

7. All that found them have devoured them; and

their adversaries said, We offend not, because they

have sinned against the

LORD, the habitation of justice, even the LORD, the hope of their fathers.

- 8. Remove out of the midst of Babylon, and go forth out of the land of the Chaldeans, and be as the he goals before the flocks.
- 9. For, lo.
- I will raise and cause to come up
- against Babylon an
- assembly of great nations
- from the north country:
- and they shall set themselves in array against her; from thence
 she shall be taken: their arrows shall be as of a mighty expert
- man; none shall return in vain.

 10. And Chaldea shall be a
 spoil: all that spoil her

shall be satisfied, saith the LORD.

- 11. Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage, because ye are grown fat as the heifer at grass, and bellow as bulls; 12. Your mother shall be sore confounded; she that bare you shall be ashamed; behold, the hindermost
- of the nations shall be a wilderness, a dry land, and a desert.

 13. Because of the wrath of
- the LORD it shall not be inhabited, but it shall
 be wholly desolate: every
- one that goeth by Babylon shall be astonished, and hiss at all her plagues.
 - 14. Put yourselves in array against Babylon round about: all ye that bend the bow, shoot at her, spare no arrows:
- for she hath sinned against the LORD.
 - 15. Shout against her round about: she hath given her hand: her foundations are fallen, her walls are thrown down: for it is the vengeance of the LORD: take vengeance upon her; as she hath done, do unto her.

 16. Cut off the sower from Babylon, and him that handleth the sickle in the time of harvest: for fear of the oppressing sword they shall turn every one to his people, and they shall flee every one to his own land.

- 17. Israel is a scattered sheep; the lions have driven him away:
- first the king of Assyria hath
- devoured him; and last this
 Nebuchadrezzar
 - Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon
- hath broken his bones.
- 18. Therefore thus saith the
- LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold,
- I will punish the king of
 Babylon and his land, as I have
 punished the king of
 - Assyria.

- 19. And I will bring Israel
 again to his habitation, and he shall feed on Carmel and Bashan.
- and his soul shall be
- satisfied upon mount Ephraim and Gilead.
- 20. In those days, and in that time, saith the LORD.
- the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none;
- and the sins of
- Judah, and they shall not be for
 - shall not be found: for I will pardon them whom I reserve.
- 21. Go up against the land of
- Merathaim, even against it,and against the inhabitants of
- Qnd against the inhabitantPekod: waste
- and utterly destroy after them, saith the LORD, and do according to all that I have commanded thee.
 - 22. A sound of battle *is* in the land, and of great destruction.
- 23. How is the hammer of the whole earth cut asunder and broken!
- how is Babylon become a desolation among the nations!
 - 24. I have laid a snare for thee, and thou art also taken, O Babylon, and thou wast not aware: thou art found, and also caught,
- because thou hast strivenagainst the LORD.
- 25. The LORD hath opened his armoury, and hath
- brought forth the weapons of

- **his indignation:** for this *is* the work of the Lord GOD of hosts
- in the land of the Chaldeans.
- 26. Come against her from the utmost border, open her storehouses; cast her up as heaps.
- and destroy her utterly: let nothing of her be left.
 - 27. Slay all her bullocks; let them go down to the slaughter: woe unto them! for their day is come, the time of their visitation.
 - come, the time of their visitation.

 28. The voice of them that flee and escape out of the land of Babylon, to declare in Zion the vengeance of the LORD our God, the vengeance of his temple.
 - 29. Call together the archers against Babylon: all ye that bend the bow, camp against it round about; let none thereof escape: recompense her according to her work; according to all that she hath done, do unto her: for she hath been proud against the LORD, against the Holy One of Israel. 30. Therefore shall her young men fall in the streets, and all her men of war shall be cut off in that
 - 31. Behold, I *am* against thee, *O thou* most proud, saith the Lord GOD of hosts: for thy day is come, the time *that* I will visit thee.
 - 32. And the most proud shall stumble and fall, and none shall raise him up: and I will kindle a fire in his cities, and it shall devour all round about him.
- 33. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: The children of
- Israel and the children of
- Judah were oppressed together: and all that took
- them captives

held them fast; they

day, saith the LORD.

- refused to let them go.

 14. Their Redeemer is
- strong; the LORD of hosts is
 his name: he shall throughly
 plead their cause, that he
- may give rest to the land,
 - and disquiet the inhabitants of Babylon.

- 35. A sword is upon the Chaldeans, saith the LORD,
- and upon the inhabitants of Babylon, and upon her princes.
 - and upon her wise *men*.

 36. A sword *is* upon the liars; and they shall dote: a sword is upon her mighty men; and they shall be dismayed.
 - 37. A sword is upon their horses, and upon their chariots, and upon all the mingled people that *are* in the midst of her; and they shall become as women: a sword is upon her treasures; and they shall be robbed.
 - 38. A drought is upon her waters; and they shall be dried up: for it is the land of graven images, and they are mad upon their idols.
 - 39. Therefore the wild beasts of the desert with the wild beasts of the islands shall dwell *there*, and the owls shall dwell therein:
- and it shall be no more inhabited for ever; neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation.
 - 40. As God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah and the neighbour *cities* thereof, saith the LORD; so shall no man abide there, neither shall any son of man dwell therein.
- 41. Behold, a people shall come from the north, and a great nation, and many kings shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.
 - 42. They shall hold the bow and the lance:
- they *are* cruel, and will not shew mercy:

their voice shall roar like the sea, and they shall ride upon horses,

- **every one** put
- in array, like a man to the battle, against thee, O daughter of
- | against th■ | Babylon.
- 43. The king of Babylon hath heard the report of them, and his hands waxed feeble: anguish took hold of him, and pangs as of a woman in travail.
 - 44. Behold, he

shall come up like a lion from the swelling of Jordan

unto the habitation of the strong: but I will make them suddenly

run away from her: and who is a chosen man, that I

may appoint over her? for who is like me? and who will appoint

me the time? and

who is that shepherd that will stand before me?

45. Therefore hear ve

the counsel of the LORD, that he hath taken

against Babylon; and his

purposes, that he hath purposed against the land of

the Chaldeans: Surely the least of the flock shall draw them out: surely he shall make their habitation desolate with them.

46. At the noise of the taking of Babylon the earth is moved, and the cry is heard among the nations.

CHAPTER 51

- 1. Thus saith the LORD;
- Behold, I will raise up against Babylon, and against
- them that dwell in the midst of them.

that rise up against me, a destroying wind;

2. And will send unto Babylon

fanners, that shall fan her.

and shall empty her land: for in the day of trouble they shall be against her round about.

3. Against him that bendeth let the archer bend his bow, and against him that lifteth himself up in his brigandine:

and spare ye not her young men;

destroy ye utterly all

her host.

4. Thus the slain shall fall in the land of the Chaldeans, and they that are thrust through in her streets.

5. For Israel hath not been forsaken, nor Judah of his God, of the LORD of hosts:

though their land was filled with sin against the Holy

One of Israel

Flee out of the midst of **Babylon**, and deliver every man his soul:

be not cut off in her iniquity: for this *is* the time of the

LORD's vengeance; he will render unto her a recompence.

7. Babylon hath been a golden cup in the LORD's

hand, that made all the earth drunken: the nations have drunken of her wine: therefore the nations. are mad.

8. Babylon is suddenly fallen and destroyed:

howl for her; take balm for her pain, if so be she may be healed.

We would have healed Babylon. but she is not healed:

forsake her, and let us go every one into his own

country: for her judgment reacheth unto heaven, and is lifted up even to the skies.

10. The LORD hath brought forth our righteousness: come, and

let us declare in Zion the work of the LORD our God.

> 11. Make bright the arrows; gather the shields: the LORD hath raised up the spirit of the kings of the Medes: for his device is against Babylon, to destroy it: because it is the vengeance of the LORD, the vengeance of his temple.

12. Set up the standard upon the walls of Babylon, make the watch strong, set up the watchmen, prepare the ambushes: for

the LORD hath both

devised and done that

which he spake against the inhabitants of

Babylon.

O thou that dwellest upon many waters, abundant in treasures, thine end is come, and the measure of thy covetousness.

14. The LORD of hosts

hath sworn by himself.

saying, Surely

- I will fill thee with men. as with caterpillers;
- and they shall lift up a shout against thee.
- 15. He hath made the earth ■ by his power, he hath
- established the world by ■ his wisdom, and hath
- I stretched out the heaven ■ by his understanding.
 - 16. When he uttereth his voice. there is a multitude of waters in the heavens; and he causeth the vapours to ascend from the ends of the earth: he maketh lightnings with rain, and bringeth forth the wind out of his treasures.
- 17. Every man is brutish by ■ his knowledge; every ■ I founder is confounded by the araven image: for his molten image is falsehood, and there is no breath in them.
- 18. They are vanity, the work of errors: in the time of their visitation they shall perish.
 - 19. The portion of
- Jacob is not like them; for he is the former of all things; and
- Israel is the rod of
- his inheritance: the LORD of hosts
- is his name.
- 20. Thou art my battle axe and weapons of war: for with
- thee will I break in pieces the nations, and with thee will
- I destroy kingdoms; 21. And with thee will I
- break in pieces the horse
- and his
- rider; and with thee will I break in pieces
- the chariot and his rider;
- 22. With thee also will I break in pieces
- man and woman; and with thee will I break in pieces
- old and young; and with thee will I break in pieces the young man and the maid; 23. I will also break in pieces with thee

- the shepherd and his flock: and with thee will I break in pieces
- the husbandman and his voke of
- oxen: and with thee will I break in pieces
- captains and rulers.
- 24. And I will render unto
- Babylon and to all the inhabitants of
- Chaldea all their evil that they have done in Zion in your sight, saith the LORD.
- 25. Behold, I am against thee, O destroying
- mountain, saith the LORD,
- which destroyest all the earth: and Will stretch out mine hand upon thee and
- roll thee down from the
- rocks, and will
- make thee a burnt
 - mountain.
- 26. And they shall not take of thee a stone for a corner, nor a stone for foundations: but
- thou shalt be desolate for ever, saith the LORD.
 - 27. Set ye up a standard in the land, blow the trumpet among the nations, prepare the nations against her, call together against her the kingdoms of Ararat, Minni, and Ashchenaz; appoint a captain against her; cause the horses to come up as the rough caterpillers.
 - 28. Prepare against her the nations with the kings of the Medes, the captains thereof, and all the rulers thereof, and all the land of his dominion.
- 29. And the land shall tremble and sorrow:
- for every purpose of the LORD shall be performed
- against Babylon, to make the land of Babylon a desolation without an inhabitant.
 - 30. The mighty men of Babylon have forborn to fight, they have remained in their holds: their might hath failed; they became as women: they have burned her dwellingplaces; her bars

are broken.

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31. One post shall run to meet another, and one messenger to meet another, to shew the king of Babylon that his city

is taken at one end.

32. And that the passages are stopped, and the reeds they have burned with fire, and the men of war are affrighted.

33. For thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel: The daughter of

Babylon is like a

threshingfloor, it is time to thresh her: yet a little while,

and the time of her harvest shall come.

34. Nebuchadrezzar the king of

Babylon hath devoured

me, he hath crushed me, he hath made me an empty vessel, he hath swallowed me up like a dragon, he hath filled his belly with my delicates.

he hath cast me out. 35. The violence done to me and to my flesh

be upon Babylon, shall the inhabitant of Zion say; and my blood upon the inhabitants of Chaldea, shall Jerusalem sav.

36. Therefore thus saith the LORD: Behold.

I will plead thy cause, and take vengeance for thee;

and I will dry up her sea, and make her springs dry.

37. And Babylon shall become heaps, a dwellingplace for dragons, an astonishment, and an hissing, without an inhabitant.

> 38. They shall roar together like lions: they shall yell as lions' whelps.

39. In their heat I will make their feasts, and I will make them drunken. that they may rejoice, and sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the LORD

40. I will bring them down like lambs to the slaughter, like rams with he goats.

41. How is Sheshach taken! and how is the praise of the whole earth surprised!

how is Babylon become an astonishment among the nations!

42. The sea is come up upon Babylon; she is covered with the multitude of the waves thereof.

43. Her cities are a desolation, a dry land, and a wilderness, a land wherein no man dwelleth, neither doth any son of man pass thereby.

44. And I will punish Bel in Babylon. and I will bring forth out of his mouth that which he hath swallowed up; and the nations shall not flow together any more unto him: yea,

the wall of Babylon shall fall.

45. My people, go ye out of the midst of her, and

deliver ye every man his soul from the fierce anger of the LORD.

46. And lest your heart faint, and ve fear for the rumour that shall be heard in the land; a rumour shall both come one vear, and after that in another year shall come a rumour, and violence in the land, ruler against ruler.

47. Therefore, behold, the davs come, that

I will do judgment upon the graven images of Babylon:

and her whole land shall be confounded, and all her slain shall fall in the midst of her.

48. Then the heaven and the earth, and all that is therein.

shall sing for Babylon: for the spoilers shall come unto her from the north, saith the LORD.

49. As Babylon hath caused the slain of Israel to fall, so at Babylon shall fall the

slain of all the earth.

50. Ye that have escaped the sword, go away, stand not still: remember the LORD afar

off, and let Jerusalem come into your mind.

51. We are confounded, because we have heard reproach: shame hath covered our

faces: for strangers are come into the sanctuaries of the LORD's house.

52. Wherefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will do judgment upon her graven images: and through all her land the wounded shall groan.

53. Though Babylon should mount up to heaven, and though she should fortify the height of her strength, vet from me shall spoilers come unto her. saith the LORD.

54. A sound of a cry cometh from Babylon.

and great destruction from the land of the Chaldeans:

55. Because the LORD hath spoiled Babylon, and destroyed out of her the great voice; when her waves do roar like great waters, a noise of their voice is uttered:

56. Because the spoiler is come upon her, even upon Babylon, and her mighty men are taken, every one of their bows is broken; for the LORD God of recompences shall surely requite.

57. And I will make drunk her princes, and her wise men, her captains, and her rulers, and her mighty men: and they shall sleep a perpetual sleep, and not wake, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts. 58. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

The broad

■ | walls of Babylon

■ shall be utterly

■ broken, and her high

gates shall be burned with fire;

and the people shall

labour in vain, and the folk in the fire, and they shall be weary. 59. The word which Jeremiah the prophet commanded Seraiah the son of Neriah, the son of Maaseiah, when he went with Zedekiah the king of Judah into Babylon in the fourth year of his reign. And this Seraiah was a quiet prince.

60. So Jeremiah wrote in a book all the evil that

should come upon

Babylon, even all these words that are written against Babylon.

61. And Jeremiah said to

Seraiah, When thou comest to Babylon, and shalt see,

and shalt

read all

these words:

62. Then shalf thou say, O LORD, thou hast spoken against this place, to cut it off. that none shall remain in it neither man nor beast, but that it shall be

desolate for ever.

63. And it shall be.

when thou hast made an end of reading this book,

that thou shalf bind a stone to it, and cast it into the

midst of Euphrates:

64. **And** thou

shalt say, Thus shall

Babylon sink, and shall not rise from the evil that I will bring upon her: and they shall be weary.

Thus far *are* the words of

Jeremiah.

CHAPTER 52

1. Zedekiah

was one and twenty years old when he began to reign, and he

reigned eleven years in

Jerusalem, And his mother's name was

Hamutal the daughter of

Jeremiah of Libnah.

2 And he did that which

was evil in the eyes of the

LORD, according to all that Jehojakim had done.

3. For through the anger of the LORD it came to pass in Jerusalem and Judah, till he had cast them out from his presence, that Zedekiah rebelled against the king of Babylon.

4. **And** it came to pass

in the ninth year of his

reign, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month, that

Nebuchadrezzar

king of Babylon

- came, he and all his army. against Jerusalem, and pitched against it, and built forts against it round about.
- 5. So the city was besieged unto the eleventh year
 - of king Zedekiah.

 6. **And** in the fourth month, in the ninth *day* of the month.
- the famine was sore in the city, so that there was no
- bread for the people of the land.
 7. Then the city was broken
 up, and all the men of
 - war fled, and went forth out of the city by night by the way of the gate between the two walls. which was by the king's garden: (now the Chaldeans were by the city round about:) and they went by the way of the plain.
- 8. But the army of the
 Chaldeans pursued after
 the king, and overlook Zedekiah in the plains of Jericho:
- and all
- his army was scattered from him.
- 9. Then they took the king, and carried him up
- unto the king of Babylon to Riblah in the land of Hamath;
- where he gave judgment upon him.
- 10. And the king of Babylon slew the sons of Zedekiah before his eyes: he slew
- also all the princes ofJudah in Riblah.
- 11. Then he put out the eyes
 of Zedekiah; and
 the king of Babylon
- bound him in chains, and carried him to Babylon,
- and put him in prison till the day of
- his death.
 - 12. **Now in the** fifth month, in the tenth day of the month, which was the
- nineteenth year ofNebuchadrezzar
 - king of Babylon,
- came Nebuzar-adan, captain of the guard, which

served the king of Babylon,

- into Jerusalem.
- 13. And burned the house of the LORD, and the king's
- house; and all the houses of Jerusalem, and all the houses of the
- great *men*, burned he with fire:

 14. And all the army of the
 Chaldeans, that were with the
- captain of the guard,
 brake down all the walls of
 Jerusalem round about
- 15. **Then Nebuzar–adan** the captain of the guard
- carried away captive certain of the poor of the people, and
- the residue of the people that remained in the c
 - that remained in the city, and those that fell away, that fell to the king of Babylon, and the rest of the multitude.
- 16. **But** Nebuzar–adan the captain of the guard
- left certain of the poor of the land
- for vinedressers and for husbandmen.
- 17. **Also the** pillars of
- brass that were in the house of the LORD, and the bases, and the brasen sea that
- was in the house of the LORD, the Chaldeans brake, and carried all the
- brass of them

- to Babylon.

 18. The caldrons also, and the shovels, and the snuffers, and the bowls, and the spoons, and all the vessels of brass wherewith they ministered, took they away.
- 19. And the basons, and the firepans, and the bowls, and the caldrons, and the candlesticks, and the spoons, and the cups;
- that which was of gold in gold,
- **and** that which was of
- **silver** in silver, took the captain of the guard away.
 - 20. The two pillars, one sea, and twelve brasen bulls that

were under the bases.

which king Solomon had made in the house of the LORD: the brass of all these

vessels was without weight.
21. And concerning the pillars, the height of one pillar was eighteen cubits; and a fillet of twelve cubits did compass it; and the thickness thereof was four fingers: it was hollow

was four fingers: it was hollow.

22. And a chapiter of brass was upon it; and the height of one chapiter was five cubits, with network and pomegranates upon the chapiters round about, all of brass. The second pillar also and the pomegranates were like unto these.

23. And there were ninety and six pomegranates on a side; and all the pomegranates upon the network were an hundred round about.

24. And the captain of the guard took Seraiah

■ I the chief

priest, and Zephaniah the second priest,

and the three keepers of the door:

25. **He took also** out of the city an eunuch, which had the charge of the men of war; and seven men of

them that were near the king's person, which were found in the city; and the principal scribe of the host, who mustered the people of the land;

and threescore men of the people of the land, that were

found in the midst of the city.

■ 26. So Nebuzar-adan the captain of the guard took them, and

brought them to the king of Babylon to Riblah.

27. And the king of Babylon smote them, and put them

to death in Riblah in the land of Hamath.

Thus Judah was carried away captive out of his own land.

■ Nebuchadrezzar carried

away captive: in the seventh year three thousand Jews and three and twenty:
 In the eighteenth year of Nebuchadrezzar he carried away captive from Jerusalem eight hundred thirty and two persons:

30. In the three and twentieth year of Nebuchadrezzar Nebuzar—adan the captain of the guard carried away captive of the Jews seven hundred forty and five persons: all the persons were

four thousand and six hundred.

■ 31. **And** it came to pass

in the seven and thirtieth year of the captivity of

Jehoiachin king of Judah, in the twelfth month, in the five and twentieth day of the month, that

twentieth day of the month, that
 Evil-merodach king of
 Babylon in the first year of
 his reign lifted up the head

of Jehoiachin king of
Judah, and brought him
forth

■ out of prison.

32. And spake kindly unto him, and

set his throne above

the kings that were with him

■ in Babylon,

33. And changed his prison garments: and

■ he did continually

eat bread before him all the days of his life.

34. And for his diet, there was a continual diet given him of

the king of Babylon, every day a portion

until the day of his death, all the days of his life.

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CHAPTER 1

■ 1. How doth the city sit solitary, that was full of people! how is

she become as a widow!

■ she that

was great among the nations, and princess

among the provinces, how is she become tributary!

2. She weepeth sore in the night, and her tears are on her cheeks:

among all

her lovers she hath

her friends have dealt treacherously with her, they

are become her enemies.

3. Judah is gone into
 captivity because
 of affliction, and because

of great servitude:

she dwelleth among the

heathen, she findeth no rest: allher persecutors overtook

■ her between the straits.

 4. The ways of Zion do mourn, because none come to the solemn feasts; all

her gates are desolate: her priests sigh, her virgins are afflicted,

and she is in bitterness.

5. Her adversaries are the chief,

her enemies prosper;

for the LORD hath

afflicted her for the multitude of

her transgressions: her children are gone into captivity before the enemy.

6. And from the daughter of Zion all

her beauty is departed:
her princes are become

like harts that find no pasture, and they are gone

without strength before the pursuer.

7. Jerusalem remembered in the days of her affliction and of her miseries all

■ her pleasant

things that she had

■ in the

days of old, when her

hand of the enemy, and none did help her:

■ the adversaries saw

■ her, and did

■ mock at

her sabbaths.

8. **Jerusalem hath** grievously sinned: therefore she *is*

removed: all that honoured her despise her, because they have seen her nakedness: yea, she sigheth, and turneth backward.

9. Her filthiness is in her skirts: she remembereth

not her last end; therefore she came down wonderfully:

she had no comforter.

O LORD, behold my

the enemy hath

magnified himself.

■ 10. The adv ■ spread out

■ his hand upon all

her pleasant things: for she hath seen that

she hath seen that the heathen entered

into her sanctuary, whom thou didst command that they should not enter into thy congregation.
 11. All her people sigh,

11. All her people sigh,
 they seek bread; they have given their pleasant things for meat to relieve the soul; see.

■ O LORD, and

consider; for I am

■ become vile.

12. *Is it* nothing to you,

see if there be any

sorrow like unto

my sorrow, which is done unto me,

wherewith the LORD hath afflicted me in the day of

■ afflicted his fierce

■ anger.

13. From above hath

he sent fire into my bones, and it prevaileth against them: he hath spread a net for my

feet, he hath turned me back: he hath made me desolate and faint all the day. ■ 14. The yoke of my ■ transgressions is bound by his hand: they are wreathed, and come up upon my neck; he hath made my strength to fall. the LORD hath delivered me into their hands, from whom I am not able to rise up.

15. The LORD hath trodden under foot all my mighty men in the midst of me:

he hath called an assembly against

me to crush my young men: the LORD hath trodden

the virgin, the daughter of Judah, as in a winepress.

16. For these things

I weep; mine eye, mine eye runneth down with water

because the comforter that should relieve my soul

is far from me: my children are desolate, because the enemy prevailed.

17. Zion spreadeth forth

her hands, and

there is none to comfort

her: the LORD hath

commanded concerning

Jacob, that his

adversaries should

be round

about him: Jerusalem is as a menstruous

woman among them.

18. The LORD is righteous;

for I have rebelled against his commandment: hear.

I pray you, all people, and

■ behold my sorrow: my virgins and my

young men are gone

into captivity.

19. I called for my lovers, but they

deceived me: my

priests and mine

elders gave up the ahost in the city, while

they sought their

meat to relieve their souls.

20 Behold O LORD: for I am in distress: my

bowels are troubled: mine

heart is turned within me:

for I have grievously rebelled: abroad the sword hereaveth, at home there is as death.

21. They have heard that I sigh:

there is none to

comfort me: all

mine enemies have heard of my trouble; they are glad

that thou hast done it thou will bring the day that thou hast called. and they shall be like unto me.

22. Let all their wickedness

come before thee: and do unto them, as thou hast

done unto me for all my transgressions: for my sighs are many, and my heart is faint.

CHAPTER 2

1 How hath

the LORD covered the daughter of

Zion with a cloud in his anger, and cast

down from heaven

unto the earth the beauty of

Israel, and remembered not his footstool in the day of his anger!

2. The LORD hath swallowed up all

the habitations of Jacob.

and hath not pitied; he hath thrown down in his wrath

the strong holds of the daughter

of Judah; he hath brought them down to the ground:

he hath polluted the

kingdom and the princes thereof.

3 He hath cut off in his. fierce anger all the horn of

Israel: he hath drawn back

his right hand from before the enemy, and he burned

against Jacob like a flaming fire,

which devoureth round about.
4. He hath bent his bow like

an enemy: he stood with his right hand as an adversary, and slew all *that were* pleasant to the eye in the tabernacle of the daughter of Zion:

he poured out his fury like fire.

■ 5. The LORD was

as an enemy: he hath
 swallowed up Israel, he hath swallowed up all her palaces:

■ **he** hath

destroyed his strong

holds, and hath increased in

■ **the** daughter of Judah

mourning and lamentation.

■ 6. And he hath violently

taken away his tabernacle, as if it were of a garden: he hath destroyed his places of the assembly:

■ the LORD hath

■ caused the solemn

feasts and sabbaths to be

forgotten in Zion, and hath despised in the indignation of his anger the king and the priest.

7. The LORD hath cast off his altar, he hath

abhorred his sanctuary, he

hath given up into the hand of

the enemy the walls of her palaces; they have made a noise in the house of the LORD.

as in the day of a solemn feast.

8. The LORD hath

purposed to destroy

the wall of the daughter

of Zion: he hath stretched out

a line, he hath not withdrawn his hand from destroying: therefore he made the rampart

and the wall to lament;

they languished together.

9. Her gates are sunk
 into the ground; he hath
 destroyed and broken her bars:

■ her king and her

princes *are* among the Gentiles: the law *is* no

more; her prophets also

find no vision from

the LORD.

10. **The elders** of the daughter of Zion

sit upon the ground,

and keep silence: they have

■ cast up

■ dust upon their heads;

■ they have girded

themselves with sackcloth:

the virgins of Jerusalem hang down their heads to the ground.

■ 11. Mine eyes do

I fail with tears, my

bowels are troubled, my liver is poured upon the earth,

for the destruction of the daughter of my people;

because the children

and the sucklings swoon in the streets of the city.

12. They say to their mothers, Where is corn and wine? when they

swooned as the wounded in the streets of the city.

when their soul was poured out into their

mothers bosom.

■ 13. What thing shall I take to

witness for thee? what thing shall I liken to thee,

O daughter of

Jerusalem? what shall I equal to thee, that I may comfort thee, O virgin

daughter of Zion?

for thy breach is great like the sea:

who can heal thee?

■ 14. Thy prophets have seen

■ vain and foolish

■ things for thee:

and they

have not discovered
 thine iniquity, to turn

away thy captivity; but

have seen for thee false burdens and causes of banishment.

15. All that pass by clap
 their hands at thee; they

hiss and wag their head at the daughter of Jerusalem,

saying, Is this the city that

1125 men call The perfection of beauty, The joy of the whole earth? 16 All thine enemies have opened their ■ ĺ mouth against thee: they hiss and gnash the teeth: they say, We have swallowed her up: certainly this is the day that we looked for: we have found, we have seen it. 17. The LORD hath done that which he had devised; he hath fulfilled his word that he had commanded in the days of old: he hath thrown down, and hath not pitied: and he hath caused thine enemy to rejoice over thee, he hath set up the horn of thine adversaries. 18. Their heart cried unto the LORD. O wall of the daughter of Zion, let tears run down like a river day and night: give thyself no rest; let not the apple of thine eye cease. 19. Arise, cry out in the night: in the beginning of the watches pour out thine heart like water ■ before the face of the LORD: lift up thy hands toward him for the life of thy young children, that faint for hunger in the top of every street. 20 Behold, O LORD, and consider to whom thou hast done this. Shall the women eat their fruit, and children of a span long? shall the priest and the prophet be slain in the sanctuary of the Lord? 21. The young and the old lie on the ground in the streets: my virgins and my young men are fallen by the

sword: thou hast

slain them in the day of

thine anger; thou hast killed,

and not pitied.

22. Thou hast called as in a solemn day my terrors round about.

- so that in the day of the LORD's anger
- none escaped nor remained: those that I have

swaddled and brought up hath mine enemy consumed.

CHAPTER 3

1. I AM the man that hath seen affliction

by the rod of his wrath. 2 He hath led me and

brought *me into*

darkness, but not into light.

Surely against me is he turned;

he turneth his hand against me all the day.

4. My flesh and my skin hath he made old: he

hath broken my bones.

5. He hath builded against me, and compassed *me* with

gall and travail.

6. He hath set me in dark places, as they that

be dead of old.

7. He hath hedged me

about, that I cannot get out: he hath made my

chain heavy.

8. Also when I cry and shout, he shutteth out my prayer.

9. He hath enclosed my ways with hewn stone, he hath made my paths crooked.

He was unto me

as a bear lying in wait,

and as a

lion in secret places.

> He hath turned aside my ways, and

pulled me in pieces: he hath

made me desolate. 12 He hath bent his

bow, and set me as

a mark for the arrow.

> 13. He hath caused the arrows of his quiver to enter into my reins.

14. I was a derision to all my people; and their

<i>-</i> (1)	IAITA CITO COLO
- 1	song all the day.
_	15. He hath filled me with
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- i	bitterness, he hath made
ı	me drunken with wormwood.
- 1	He hath also broken my teeth
- 1	with gravel stones, he hath
- 1	covered me with ashes.
	17. And thou hast
-1	removed my soul far off
=	from peace: I forgat prosperity.
-1	18. And I said,
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=1	My strength and my hope
■│	is perished from the LORD:
■	19. Remembering mine
	affliction and my
	misery, the wormwood and the gall
	20. My soul hath them still
-	in remembrance, and
∎ İ	is humbled in me.
=1	21. This I recall to my mind,
	therefore have I hope.
	22. It is of the LORD's
=	mercies that we are
=1	
-	not consumed, because
_	his compassions fail not.
	23. They are new
	every morning: great
	is thy faithfulness.
	24. The LORD is my
	portion, saith my soul;
	therefore will I hope in him.
	25. The LORD is good unto
	them that wait for him, to the soul
	that seeketh him.
	26. It is good that a man
	should both hope and quietly
	wait for the salvation
Ы	of the LORD.
-	27. It is good for a man
	that he bear the
	yoke of his youth.
	28. He sitteth alone and
	keepeth silence, because
	he hath borne it upon him.
	29. He putteth his mouth in the
	dust; if so be there may be hope.
	30. He giveth his cheek to
	him that smiteth him: he is
	filled full with reproach.
	31. For the LORD will
	not cast off for ever:

32. But though he cause grief, yet

have compassion according to the multitude of his mercies. 33 For he doth not afflict willingly nor grieve the children of men. 34. To crush under his feet all the prisoners of the earth. 35. To turn aside the right of a man before the face of the most High. 36. To subvert a man in his cause, the LORD approveth not. 37. Who is he that saith, and it cometh to pass, when the Lord commandeth it not? 38. Out of the mouth of the most High proceedeth not evil and good? 39. Wherefore doth a living man complain, a man for the punishment of his sins? 40. Let us search and try our ways, and turn again to the LORD. 41. Let us lift up our heart with our hands unto God in the heavens. 42. We have transgressed and have rebelled: thou hast not pardoned. 43. Thou hast covered with anger, and persecuted us: thou hast slain. thou hast not pitied. 44. Thou hast covered thyself with a cloud, that *our* prayer should not pass through. 45. Thou hast made us as the offscouring and refuse in the midst of the people. 46. All our enemies have opened their mouths against us. 47. Fear and a snare is come upon us, desolation and destruction. 48. Mine eye runneth down with rivers of water for the **destruction** of the daughter of my people. 49. Mine eye trickleth

down, and ceaseth not, without any intermission.

- 50. Till the LORD look
- down, and behold from heaven.
 - 51. Mine eye affecteth mine heart because of all the
- daughters of my city.

 52. **Mine enemies**
- **chased me** sore, like a bird,
 - without cause.
 - 53. They have cut off my life in the dungeon,

and cast a stone upon me.

- 54. Waters flowed over mine head: then I said, I am cut off.
- 55. I called upon thy name,
- O LORD, out of the low dungeon.
- | 56. Thou hast heard
- my voice: hide not thine ear at my breathing, at my cry.
- 57. Thou drewest near
- in the day that
- I called upon thee:
- thou saidst, Fear not.
- 58. O LORD, thou hast pleaded the causes of my soul;
- thou hast redeemed my life.
 - 59. O LORD.
- thou hast seen my
- wrong: judge thou my cause.
 - 60. Thou hast seen all their vengeance and all their imaginations against me.
- 61. Thou hast heard their reproach, O LORD, and all their imaginations
- against me;
 - 62. The lips of those that rose up against me, and their device against me all the day.63. Behold their sitting down, and
- their rising up; I am their musick.

 64. **Render** unto them a
- recompence, O LORD,
 according to the work
 of their hands.
 - 65. Give them sorrow of heart, thy curse unto them.
 - 66. Persecute and

- | destroy them in anger from
- under the
 - heavens of the LORD.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. How is the gold
- become dim! how is the most fine gold changed!
- the stones of the sanctuary
- are poured out in the top of every street.
 - 2. The precious
- sons of Zion.
 - comparable to fine
- gold, how are they
- esteemed as
- earthen pitchers, the work of the hands of the potter!
- 3. Even the sea monsters
 - draw out the breast, they
 give suck to their young
- ones: the daughter of
- my people is become
- Cruel, like the ostriches in the wilderness.
- 4. The tongue of the sucking child cleaveth to the roof of his mouth for thirst: the

young children ask bread, and no man breaketh it unto them.

- 5. They that did feed
- delicately are
- desolate in the streets:
- they that were brought up in scarlet embrace dunghills.
- 6. For the punishment of the iniquity of the daughter
- of my people is greater
 - than the punishment of the sin of
- Sodom, that was overthrown as in a moment, and no hands stayed on her.
- 7. Her Nazarites were purer than snow, they
 - purer than snow, they were whiter than milk, they were more ruddy in body than rubies, their polishing was of sapphire:
- 8. Their visage is blackerthan a coal; they are not

known in the streets: their skin cleaveth to their bones; it is withered, it is become like a stick.

- 9. They that be slain with the sword are better than they that be slain with hunger: for these pine away, stricken through for want of the fruits of the field.
 10. The hands of the pitiful
- want of the fruits of the field.
 10. The hands of the pitiful
 women have sodden their
 own children: they were
 their meat in the destruction
 of the daughter of my people.
- 11. The LORD hath
 accomplished his fury; he hath poured out his fierce anger, and hath kindled a fire in Zion, and it hath devoured the foundations thereof.
 12. The kings of the earth,
- and all the inhabitants of
 the world, would not have
 believed that the adversary and
- the enemy should have entered into the gates of
- Jerusalem.

 13. For the sins of her
- 13. For the sins of her
 prophets, and
 the iniquities of her
- priests, that have shed the blood of
- the just in the midst of her,
 - 14. They have wandered as blind men in the streets.
- they have polluted
 themselves with
 blood, so that
- men could not touch their garments.
- 15. They cried unto them,
- Depart ye; it is unclean;
- depart, depart, touch not:
- when they fled awayand wandered, they said
- **among the heathen,** They shall no more sojourn *there*.
- 16. The anger of the LORD hath divided
- **them**; he will no more regard them:
- they respected
- not the persons of
- the priests, they
 - favoured not the elders.
 - 17. **As for us,** our eyes as yet failed for our vain help: in our watching
 - I we have

- | watched for a nation | *that* could not save *us*.
- 18. They hunt our steps, that we cannot go in our streets:
- our end is near, our days are fulfilled; for our end is come
- 19. Our persecutors
- are swifter than the
- eagles of the heaven: they pursued us upon the mountains, they laid wait for us in the wilderness.
- 20. The breath of our nostrils, the anointed of the
 - LORD, was taken in
- their pits, of whom we said,
- Under his shadow we shall live among the heathen.
- 21. **Rejoice** and be glad,
- O daughter of Edom, that dwellest in the
- land of Uz; the cup also shall pass through unto thee:
- thou shalt be drunken, and shalt
 - make thyself naked.
- 22. The punishment of
- thine iniquity is
- **accomplished**, O daughter of
- Zion; he will no more
- **carry thee** away
 - into captivity: he will visit thine iniquity. O daughter of Edom;
- he will discover thy sins.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Remember, O LORD, what is come upon us: consider, and behold
- our reproach.
- 2 Our inheritance is
- turned to strangers, our houses to aliens.
- 3. We are orphans and fatherless, our mothers
- fatherless, our mothers
 are as widows.
 4. We have drunken our
- water for money; our wood is sold unto us.
- 5. Our necks *are* under persecution: we labour,
 - and have no rest.
 - 6. We have given the hand to

the Egyptians, and to the Assyrians, to be satisfied with bread.

7. Our fathers have

sinned, and are not:

and we have borne their iniquities.

> 8 Servants have ruled over us: there is none that doth deliver us out of their hand.

9. We gat our bread with the peril of our lives because of the sword of the wilderness.

10 Our skin was black like an oven because of the terrible

famine.

11. They ravished the women in Zion, and the maids in the cities of Judah.

12. Princes are hanged up by their hand:

the faces of

elders were not honoured.

13. They took the young men to grind,

and the children fell ■ under the wood.

> 14. The elders have ceased from the gate, the young

men from their musick.

15. The joy of our heart is ceased; our dance is turned into mourning.

16. The crown is fallen from our head: woe unto us, that we have sinned!

17. For this

our heart is

faint: for these things

our eyes are dim.

18. Because of the mountain of Zion, which

is desolate, the foxes walk upon it.

19. Thou, O LORD, remainest for ever; thy throne from generation to generation.

20. Wherefore dost thou forget us for ever, and forsake us so long time?

21. Turn thou us unto thee, O LORD, and we shall be turned:

renew our days as of old. 22. But thou hast

utterly rejected us; thou art very

wroth against us.

EZEKIEL:

The Prophet Priest

Unlike Elijah and Elisha, and like Jeremiah,

- Ezekiel was a priest
 - at the time God called him
- to be a prophet. Like Daniel
- he received his call in a
- foreign land while his people were in captivity. In the first
- part of his prophecy
- he predicted that a final
- act of judgement was
- coming to the Land
- of Promise.
- He was vindicated in his prediction when.
- in 597 B.C.,
- Nebuchadnezzar
- destroyed The Holy City,
 Jerusalem.
- After this prophecy of destruction.
- Ezekiel's message
- changed.
- He spoke of a coming
- salvation and a new covenant that God would
- establish with his people.
- The concluding eight
- **Chapters** of the Book of Ezekiel
- form some of the most
 intriguing reading
- in The Bible.

 He spoke of a future time
- when the Lord would

lacktriangle redeem his people,

reestablish Israel, and firmly and directly rule. The famous episode of the

- dry bones taking
- on flesh and new life
- was a clear
- prophecy of a day
- of resurrection and restoration.
 - He also spok
- He also spoke
 - in graphic language
- about God's ultimate
 - triumph over all nations, forces, and people in opposition to his perfect will.
 - Perhaps no
- other prophet has
- expressed the absolute
- majesty of God ■ as did Ezekiel.

His message, based on visions from God, was that

- whatever God did
- to man or for man,
- was an expression
 of his zeal, for his own
- name and holiness.
- The new heart and new
- covenant that would come into being in the future
- | could only be the
 - work of God

who acts in grace.

THE BOOK OF EZEKIEL

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- I. Ezekiel's Commission
- Captivity of Jerusalem and Judah
 - 8:1 24:27
- III. The Judgement of the Nations.

25:1 - 32:32

IV. The Coming Kingdom. 33:1 — 48:35

CHAPTER 1

Now it came to pass in the thirtieth year, in the fourth month, in the fifth day of the month,

as I was among the captives by the river of

■ Chebar, that

■ the heavens were

opened, and I saw visions of God.

2. In the fifth day of the month, which was the

fifth year of kingJehoiachin's captivity,

3. The word of the

■ LORD came expressly
■ unto Ezekiel the priest,

the son of Buzi,

■ in the land of the

■ Chaldeans by the river Chebar;

and the hand of the LORD was there

upon him.

4. And I looked, and, behold, a whirlwind came

a whirlwind came out of the north,

■ Our of the non

■ a great

cloud, and a fire infolding itself, and a brightness *was* about it, and

out of the midst thereof

as the colour of amber, out of the midst of the fire.

5. **Also** out of the midst thereof *came*

the likeness of

four living creatures.

And this was their appearance;

■ they had the

■ likeness of a man.

6. And every one had four faces, and every one had four

■ | wings. ■ | 7 And their fe

7. **And their feet** *were* straight feet; and the sole of their feet *was*

feet; and the sole of their feet was

like the sole of

a calf's foot: and they
 sparkled like the colour of

burnished brass.

8. And they had the

■ hands of a man

under their wings on their four sides; and they four had

their faces and their wings.

9. Their wings were
joined one to another;
they turned not when
they went; they went

every one straight forward.

10. As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of a

man, and the face of

a lion, on the right side: and they four had the face of

an ox on the left side; they four

■ also had

■ the face of an eagle.

11. Thus were their faces:
and their wings were

stretched upward; two wings of every one were

joined one to another,

■ and two

covered their bodies.

■ 12. **And they**

■ went every one straight

forward: whither the spirit was to go, they went; and they turned not when they went.

13. As for the likeness of the living creatures,

their appearance was like burning coals of fire,

and like the appearance of

lamps: it went up and down among the living creatures;
 and the fire was bright,

and out of the fire went forth lightning.

14. And the living creatures ran and returned as the appearance of a flash of lightning.

■ 15. **Now as**

■ I beheld the living creatures,

behold one wheel upon the earth by the living

creatures, with his four faces.

■ 16. The appearance of the wheels and their work

was like unto the colour of a beryl: and they four

beryl: and they four had one likeness: and

their appearance and their work was as it were

a wheel in the middle

ı of a wheel.

17. When they went.

they went upon their four sides: and

they turned not when they went. 18. As for

their rings, they were so high that they

were dreadful:

and their rings were

full of eyes round about them four.

19. And when the living creatures went, the

wheels went by them:

and when the living

creatures were

lifted up from the earth. the wheels were lifted up.

20. Whithersoever the spirit was to go, they went, thither was their spirit to go; and the wheels were lifted up over against them:

for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels.

21. When those went, these went: and when those stood, these stood: and when those were lifted up from the earth, the wheels were lifted up over against them; for the spirit of the living creature was in the wheels

22. And the likeness of the firmament upon the heads of the living

creature was as

the colour of the terrible

crystal, stretched forth over their heads above.

23. And under the firmament were their wings straight,

the one toward the other: every one had two, which covered on this side. and every one had two, which covered on that side, their bodies.

24. And when they went, I heard the noise of their ■ wings, like the noise of great waters, as the voice of

the Almighty, the voice of speech, as the noise of an host: when they stood, they let down their wings.

25. And there was a voice from the firmament that was

over their heads, when they stood, and had let down their wings.

26. And above the firmament that was

over their heads was the likeness of a

throne, as the appearance of a sapphire stone:

and upon the likeness of the throne was the likeness as

the appearance of a

man above upon it.

27. And I saw as the colour of amber, as the appearance of fire round about within it.

from the appearance of

his loins even

upward, and from the appearance of his loins even

downward. I saw as it were the appearance of fire. and it had brightness

round about.

28. As the appearance

of the bow that is

in the cloud in the day .

of rain, so was the appearance of the brightness round about.

This was the appearance of the likeness of the alory of the LORD. And when I saw it.

I fell upon my face. and I heard a voice

of one that spake.

CHAPTER 2

1. And he said unto me. Son of man

stand upon thy feet,

and I will speak unto thee.

2. And the spirit entered into me when he spake unto me, and set me upon my feet, that I

heard him that spake unto me. 3. And he said unto me.

Son of man, I send

thee to the children of

Israel, to a rebellious

nation that hath rebelled against me: they and their fathers have transgressed against me. even unto this very day.

4. For they are

- impudent children and stiffhearted.
 - I do send thee unto them:

and thou shalf say unto them,

- Thus saith the Lord GOD.
- 5. And they.
- | whether they will
- hear, or whether they will
- forbear, (for
- they are a rebellious house,) yet
- shall know that
- there hath been a
- prophet among them.
- 6. And thou, son of man, be not afraid of them

neither be afraid of their words. though briers and thorns be with thee, and thou dost dwell among scorpions: be not afraid of their words, nor be dismayed at their looks, though they be a rebellious house.

7. And thou shalt

- speak my words unto them, whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear; for they are most rebellious.
- 8. But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee:
- Be not thou
- rebellious like that rebellious house:
- open thy mouth, and
- eat that I give thee.
- 9. And when I
- looked, behold,
- an hand was sent unto me;
- and lo
- a roll of a book was therein:
 - 10. And he spread it before me:
- and it was written within and without: and
- | there was written therein
- lamentations, and
- mourning, and woe.

CHAPTER 3

- I 1. Moreover he said unto me. Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel. 2. So I opened my mouth, and
 - he caused me to

eat that roll.

3. And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat it.

- and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness.
- 4. And he said unto me. Son of man.
 - QO, get thee
- unto the house of
- Israel, and speak with my words unto them.
- 5. For thou art not sent
- **.** I to a people of a strange speech

and of an hard language.

- but to the house of Israel:
 - 6. Not to many people of a strange speech and of an hard language, whose words thou canst not understand. Surely, had I sent thee to them, they would have hearkened unto thee.
- 7. But the house of
- Israel will not hearken unto thee; for they will not hearken unto
- me: for all the house of Israel are impudent and hardhearted. 8. Behold, I have made thy
 - face strong against their faces, and thy forehead strong against their foreheads.
- 9 As an adamant harder than flint have I made thy forehead:
- fear them not, neither be dismayed at their looks,
- though they *be* a rebellious house.
- 10 Moreover he said unto me. Son of man.
- all my words
- that I shall speak unto thee receive in thine heart.

and hear with thine ears.

- 11. And go, get thee to them of the captivity,
- unto the children of thy people. and speak unto them.
- and tell them, Thus saith the Lord GOD:

■ I whether they will hear, or whether they will forbear. 12. Then the spirit took me up, and ■ I heard behind me a voice of a great rushing, saying. Blessed be the glory of the LORD from his place. 13. I heard also the noise of the wings of the living creatures that touched one another. and the noise of the wheels over against them, and a noise of a great rushing. 14. So the spirit lifted me up, and took me away, and I went in bitterness. in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me. 15. Then I came to them of the captivity at Tel-abib, that dwelt by the river of Chebar, and I sat where they sat. and remained there astonished among them seven days. 16. And it came to pass at the end of seven days, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, 17. Son of man, I have made thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore hear the word at my mouth, and give them warning from me. 18. When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same ■ wicked man ■ shall die in his iniquity: ■ but his blood will I require at thine hand. ■ 1 19. Yet if thou warn the wicked, and he turn not

from his wickedness, nor from

■ his wicked way, he shall

die in his iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul. 20. Again, When a righteous man doth turn from his righteousness, and commit iniquity, and I lay a stumblingblock before him, he shall die: because thou hast not given him warning, he shall die in his sin, and his righteousness which he hath done shall not be remembered: but his blood will I require at thine hand. 21. Nevertheless if thou warn the righteous *man*. that the righteous sin not, and he doth not sin. he shall surely live, because he is warned: also thou hast delivered thy soul. 22. And the hand of the LORD was there upon me: and he **said unto me,** Arise, **QO** forth into the plain, and I will there talk with thee. 23. Then I arose, and went forth into the plain: and, behold. the glory of the LORD stood there, as the glory which I saw by the river of Chebar: and I fell on my face. 24. Then the spirit entered into me, and set me upon my feet, and spake with me, and said unto me. Go, shut thyself within thine house. 25. But thou, O son of man, behold, they shall put bands upon thee, and shall bind thee with them. and thou shalt not go out among them: 26. And I will make thy tongue cleave to the roof of thy mouth, that thou shalt be dumb. and shalf not be to them

a reprover: for they are a rebellious house. ■ 27. **But** when I speak with thee. ■ I will open thy mouth, and ■ thou shalt say unto them, ■ Thus saith the Lord GOD: ■ He that heareth, let ■ him hear; and he that forbeareth, let him forbear: for they are a

CHAPTER 4

■ 1. Thou also, son of man,

rebellious house.

take thee

a tile, and

■ lay it before thee, and

■ portray upon if the city, even ■ Jerusalem:

2. And lay siege against it. and build a fort against it, and cast a mount against it; set the camp also against it, and set battering rams against it round about.

3 Moreover take

thou unto thee

an iron pan, and set

if for a wall of iron

■ between thee and the

city: and set thy face against it, and it shall be besieged, and thou shalt lay siege against it.

■ This shall be a sign

to the house of

Israel.

■ 4. **Lie** thou also

upon thy left side, and ■ | lay the iniquity of the house

of Israel upon it: according to the number of the days that thou shalt lie upon it thou shalt bear their iniquity.

5. For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days.

■ three hundred and ■ ninety days: so

■ shalt thou bear the

Iniquity of the house

of Israel.

And when thou hast accomplished them.

lie again on thy right side,

and thou shalt

bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days:

I have appointed thee each day for a year.

7. Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm shall be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it.

8. And, behold,

I will lay bands

upon thee, and

thou shalt not turn thee from one side to another.

till thou hast ended

the days of thy siege.

9. Take thou also unto thee

wheat, and

barley, and

beans, and lentiles, and

millet, and fitches,

and put them in one vessel,

and make thee

bread thereof.

according to the number of

the days that

thou shalt lie upon thy side,

three hundred and ninety

days shalt thou eat thereof.

10. And thy meat which thou shalt eat

shall be by weight.

twenty shekels a day: from time to time shalt thou eat it.

11. Thou shalt drink also

water by measure,

the sixth part of an hin:

from time to time shalt thou drink.

12. And thou shalt eat it as barley cakes,

and thou shalt

bake it with dung that cometh out

of man, in their sight.

13. And the LORD said, Even

thus shall the children of

Israel eat their

defiled bread among the

Gentiles, whither I will drive them.

14. Then said I. Ah

Lord GOD! behold, my soul hath not been

- polluted: for from my **vouth** up even till now
 - have I not eaten of that which dieth of itself, or is torn in pieces: neither came there

abominable flesh into my mouth.

- 15. Then he said unto me, Lo,
- I have given thee cow's duna for
- man's dung, and thou shalt prepare thy bread
- therewith.
 - 16. Moreover he said unto me. Son of man, behold.
- I will break the staff of bread in Jerusalem: and
- they shall eat bread
- by weight, and with care; and they shall
- drink water by measure. and with astonishment:
 - 17. That they may want bread and water, and be astonied one with another, and consume away for their iniquity.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. And thou, son of man, take thee a sharp knife,
- take thee
- a barber's razor, and cause it to pass upon
- thine head and upon thy
- **beard: then** take thee balances to ■ weigh, and divide the hair.
 - Thou shalt
- burn with fire
- a third part in the midst of
- the city, when the
 - days of the
- siege are fulfilled:
- and thou shalt
- take a third part, and smite about it
- with a knife; and
- a third part thou shall
 - scatter in the wind; and t will draw out a sword after them.
 - 3. Thou shalt
- also take thereof
- a few in number,
- and bind them in thy skirts.

- 4. **Then** take of them again, and cast them into the midst of
- the fire, and burn them in the fire: for thereof shall a
- fire come forth
- into all the house of
- Israel.
- Thus saith the
- Lord GOD:
- This is Jerusalem:
- I have set it.
- in the midst of the
- nations and countries. that are round about her
- And she hath changed my judgments into
- wickedness more than the nations, and my statutes more than the countries that are round about her: for they have refused my iudaments and my statutes. they have not walked in them.
 - Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Because ve multiplied more than the nations that are round about you. and have not walked in my statutes. neither have kept my judgments. neither have done according to the judgments of the nations that are round about you:
- 8 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even I, am against thee,
- and will execute judgments in the midst of
- thee in the sight of the nations.
- And I will do in thee that which I have not
- done, and whereunto I will not do any more
- the like, because of all thine abominations.
- 10. Therefore the fathers
 - shall eat the sons in the midst of thee.
- and the sons shall eat
- their fathers; and I will execute judaments in thee.
- and the whole
 - remnant of thee
- will I scatter into all the winds.
 - 11. Wherefore, as I live, saith the Lord GOD; Surely,

because thou hast defiled my sanctuary with

all thy detestable things. and with all thine abominations.

therefore will I also diminish thee: neither

shall mine eve spare.

neither will I have any pity.

12. A third part of thee

shall die with the pestilence, and with famine shall they be consumed

in the midst of thee:

and a third part shall fall by the sword round about thee: and I will scatter a third

part into all the winds, and I will draw out a sword after them.

■ 1 13. Thus shall mine anaer be accomplished, and

I will cause my fury to rest upon them, and I will be comforted: and they shall know that I the LORD have spoken it in my zeal, when I have accomplished my fury in them.

14. Moreover I will make thee waste, and

a reproach among the

nations that are round about thee. in the sight of all that pass by.

> 15. So it shall be a reproach and a faunt, an instruction and an astonishment unto the nations that are round about thee.

when I shall execute judgments in thee in anger and in fury and in furious rebukes. I the LORD have spoken it.

16. When I shall send upon them the evil arrows of famine, which shall be for their destruction, and which I will send to destroy you: and I will increase the famine upon you. and will break your staff of bread:

■ 17. So will I send upon you ■ famine and evil beasts.

> and they shall bereave thee: and pestilence and blood shall pass through thee;

and I will bring the sword upon thee. I the LORD have spoken it.

CHAPTER 6

1. And the word of the LORD came unto me, savina.

Son of man.

set thy face toward the mountains of Israel, and prophesy against them.

3. And say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD: Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys; Behold, I, even

I, will bring a sword upon vou, and I will

destroy your high places.

4. And your altars shall be desolate, and

your images shall be

broken: and I will cast down your slain men before your idols.

5. And I will lay the dead carcases of the children of

Israel before their idols: and I will scatter your bones round about your altars.

6. In all your dwellingplaces

the cities shall be laid waste, and the high places shall be desolate; that your altars may be laid waste and made desolate, and your idols may be broken and cease, and your images may be cut down,

and your works may be abolished.

And the slain shall fall in the midst of you.

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

Yet will I leave a

remnant, that ye may have some that shall escape the sword among the nations, when ye shall be scattered through the countries.

And they that escape of you shall remember me among the nations whither they

shall be carried captives. because I am broken

with their whorish heart. which hath departed from me, and with their eyes, which go

a-whoring after their idols:

and they shall lothethemselves for

■ the evils which

they have committed in all their abominations.

■ 10 And they shall know that I am the LORD, and

that I have not said in vain

that I would do this evil unto them.

11. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Smite with thine hand, and stamp with thy foot,

■ and say, Alas for all

■ the evil

■ abominations of the house

of Israel! for they shall fall by the sword, by the

famine, and by the

pestilence.

12. He that is far off shall die of the pestilence; and he that is near shall fall by the sword; and he that remaineth and is besieged shall die by the famine:

thus will I accomplish my fury upon them.

13. Then shall ye know that

■ I *am* the ■ LORD, when their slain *men*

shall be among their idols round about their altars,

upon every high hill, in all the lops of the mountains.

and under every green free, and under every thick oak, the place

where they did

offer sweet savour to alltheir idols.

14. So will I stretch out my hand upon them, and make the land desolate, yea, more desolate than the wilderness toward Diblath, in all their habitations: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 7

1. Moreover the wordof the LORD cameunto me, saying,

2. Also, thou son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD unto the land of Israel: An end, the end

is come upon the four corners of the land.

3. Now is the end come upon thee, and I will send mine anger upon thee, and will

judge thee according to

thy ways, and will recompense upon thee all thine abominations.

4. And mine eye shall not spare thee.

neither will I have pity: but

I will recompense thy ways upon thee, and thine abominations shall be in the midst of thee: and

ye shall know that I am the LORD.

5. Thus saith the Lord GOD;
 An evil, an only evil, behold,

■ is come.

6. An end is come, the end is come:

it watcheth for thee:

it watcheth for thee;

7. The morning is come unto thee, O

thou that dwellest in

the land: the time is come, the day of trouble is

near, and not the sounding again of the mountains.

8. Now will I shortly pour out my fury upon thee,

and accomplish mine anger upon thee: and I will judge thee according to thy ways,

thee according to thy ways, and will recompense thee for all thine abominations.

9. And mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: I will recompense thee according to thy ways and thine abominations that are in the midst of thee; and ye shall know that I am the LORD that smiteth.

10. Behold the day, behold, it is come: the morning is gone forth;

the rod hath blossomed, pride hath budded.

■ 11. Violence is risen up into a rod of wickedness:

none of them

shall remain, nor of their multitude, nor of any of their's:

neither shall there be wailing for them.

- 12. The time is come, the day draweth near: let not the buver rejoice, nor the seller mourn:
- for wrath is upon all ■ the multitude thereof.
 - 13. For the seller shall not return to that which is sold, although they were yet alive: for the vision is touching the whole multitude thereof, which shall not return;
- neither shall any strengthen himself in the iniquity of his life.
- 14. They have blown the
- trumpet, even to make all ready: but none goeth to the
- **battle**: for my wrath is upon all the multitude thereof.
 - 15. The sword is without, and the pestilence and the famine within: he that is in the field shall die with the sword; and he that is in the city, famine and
- pestilence shall devour him. ■ 16. But they that escape
- of them shall escape, and shall be on the mountains like doves of the valleys, all of them
- mourning, every one
- for his iniquity.
- 17. All hands shall be feeble. and all
- knees shall be weak as water. 18. They shall also
- gird themselves with
- sackcloth, and horror shall cover them; and
- shame shall be upon all faces, and
- baldness upon all their heads.
 - 19. They shall cast their silver in the streets, and their gold shall be removed:
- their silver and their
- gold shall not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD:
 - they shall not satisfy their
- souls, neither fill their bowels: ■ because it is the stumblingblock
- of their iniquity.

- 20. As for the beauty of his
- ornament, he set it in majesty: but
 - they made the
- images of their abominations and of their detestable things therein: therefore have I set it far from them.
- 21. And I will give it into the hands of the
- strangers for a prev. and to the wicked of the earth.
- for a

- spoil; and they shall pollute it.
- 22. My face will I turn also
- from them, and they shall pollute my secret
- place: for the robbers shall enter into it, and defile it.
 - 23. Make a chain: for the land is full of bloody crimes, and the city is full of violence.
 - 24. Wherefore I will bring the worst of
- the heathen, and they
- shall possess their
 - houses: I will also make the pomp of the strong to cease;
- and their holy places shall be defiled.
- 25. Destruction cometh; and
- they shall
- seek peace, and there shall be none.
 - 26. Mischief shall come upon mischief, and rumour shall be upon rumour;
- then shall they seek a vision of the prophet;
- but the law shall
- perish from the priest, and counsel from the ancients.
- 27. The king shall mourn,
- and the prince shall be clothed with desolation, and the hands of
- the people of the land
- shall be troubled: I will do unto them after their way, and
- according to their
- deserts will I judge them;
- and they shall know
- I that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 8

| ■ | 1. And it came to pass in

the sixth year, in the sixth month, in the fifth day of the month, as I sat in mine house. and the elders of Judah sat before me, that ■ I the hand of the Lord GOD fell there upon me. 2. Then I beheld.

and to a likeness as the appearance of fire:

> from the appearance of his loins even downward, fire:

and from his loins even upward, as

■ | the appearance of

brightness, as the colour **-**1 of amber.

3. And he put forth the form of an hand, and

took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit

lifted me up between the earth and the heaven.

and brought me in the

visions of God

to Jerusalem, to the door of

the inner acte that looketh toward the north:

where was the seat of the image of jealousy.

which provoketh to jealousy. 4. And behold.

the glory of the

God of Israel

was there, according to the vision that I saw in the plain.

Then said he unto me. Son of man

■ liff up thine eyes now the way ■ toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north,

and behold northward at the gate of the altar this image of jealousy in the entry. 6. He said furthermore unto me. Son of man.

■ I seest thou

■ | what they do? ■ even the great

■ abominations

■ that the house of

Israel committeth here. ■ I that I should go far off

from my sanctuary?

but turn thee vet again, and thou shalt see

areater abominations. 7. And he brought me to

> the door of the court: and when I looked, behold

a hole in the wall

Then said he unto me. Son of man.

dia now

in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

And he said unto me.

Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that

they do here. 10. So I went in and

SOW: and behold

every form of creeping things, and abominable

beasts, and all

the idols of the house of Israel.

pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

11. And there

stood before them

seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel, and in the midst of them stood

Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan. with every man his

censer in his hand: and a thick cloud of

incense went up.

12. Then said he unto me. Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery?

for they say, the LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

13. He said also unto me, Turn thee yet

again, and

thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

14. Then he brought me to the door of the

gate of the LORD'S house

which was toward the north;

i and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

15. Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

16. And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house,

and, behold, at the door
 of the temple of the LORD,
 between the porch and the altar.

Were about

five and twenty men,
with their backs
toward the temple of

■ the LORD, and their faces toward the east:

and they worshipped the sun toward the east.

■ 17. **Then he said** unto me, Hast thou seen *this*, O son of man?

Is it a light thing to the house ofJudah that they commit the

abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence.

■ and have returned to

provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose.

■ 18. Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall ■ not spare, neither will I

■ have pity: and though they

Cry in mine ears with a loud voice,

■ | *yet* will I not hear them.

CHAPTER 9

 He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying,

■ Cause them that have charge over the city to

draw near, even every man with his destroying weapon in his hand.

■ 2. And, behold,

six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward

■ the north, and every

man a slaughter

■ weapon in his hand;

and one man among them

was clothed with linen, with

a writer's inkhorn by
his side: and they went
in, and stood beside
the brasen altar.

3. And the glory of the

■ God of Israel

■ was gone up

from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house.

And he called to

the man clothed with linen,
 which had the writer's

■ inkhorn by his side:

4. And the LORD said unto

him, Go through the midst ofthe city, through the

midst of Jerusalem.

■ and set a mark upon the

■ foreheads of the

men that sigh and that

■ cry for all

■ the abominations that be done in the midst thereof.

■ 5. And to the others he

said in mine hearing,

Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eve

and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity:

■ 6. Slay utterly

old and young, both maids, and little

children, and women: but come not near any man

upon whom is the mark;and begin at my sanctuary.

Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.

7. And he said unto them,

Defile the house, and fillthe courts with the slain:

go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

8. And it came to pass,

while they were slaying

them, and I was left, that I fell upon my face,

I fell upon my face,and cried, and said, Ah

Lord GOD!

wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring

out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

9. **Then said he** unto me,

■ The iniquity of the house

of Israel and Judah is exceeding great, and the land is full of blood. and the city full of perverseness: for they say. The LORD hath forsaken the earth, and

the LORD seeth not

10. **And** as for me also.

mine eye shall not spare. neither will I have pity,

but I will recompense their way upon their head.

11. And, behold.

■ the man clothed with linen. which had the inkhorn by his side.

reported the matter.

saying, I have done as ■ thou hast commanded me.

CHAPTER 10

1. Then I looked, and, behold, in the firmament that was

above the head of

the cherubims there

■ appeared over them as it were

a sapphire

stone, as the appearance of

the likeness of a throne.

2. And he spake unto ■ the man clothed

with linen, and said.

Go in

between the wheels. even under the cherub

and fill thine hand

with coals of fire

from between the cherubims.

and scatter them over the

city. And he went in in my sight. 3. Now the cherubims

stood on the right

side of the house.

when the man went in: and the cloud filled the inner court.

4. Then the glory of the

■ LORD went up from the cherub. and

stood over the

threshold of the house:

and the house was

ifilled with the cloud, and the court was full of

the brightness of

■ the LORD'S glory.

And the sound of the cherubims' wings was heard even to the outer court.

as the voice of the Almighty God when he speaketh.

And it came to

pass, that when

he had

commanded the man clothed with linen.

savina. Take fire from

between the wheels, from between

the cherubims:

then he went in and

stood beside the wheels.

7 And one cherub stretched forth his hand

from between the cherubims

unto the fire that was between the cherubims.

and took thereof, and put it into the hands of him that was clothed with linen; who took it

and went out.

8. And there appeared in the cherubims the form of a man's hand under their wings.

9. And when I looked, behold the

four wheels by the cherubims, one wheel by

one cherub, and another wheel by another cherub: and the appearance of the wheels was as the colour of a beryl stone. 10. And as for their

appearances.

they four had one likeness, as if a wheel had been in the

midst of a wheel. 11. When they went.

they went upon their four sides;

they turned not as they went. but to the place whither the head looked they followed it; they turned not as they went.

12. And their whole

body, and their

backs, and their

hands, and their

wings, and the wheels. were full of eyes round about,

even the wheels that they four had.

- 13. As for the wheels, it was cried unto them in my hearing, O wheel.
- 14. And every one had four faces: the first face was
 - the face of a cherub, and the second face was
- the face of a man, and the third the face of a lion, and the fourth the
- face of an eagle.
- 15. And the cherubims were lifted up. This is the living creature
- that I saw by the river of Chebar. ■ 16. And when the cherubims went.
- the wheels went by them:
 - and when the cherubims lifted up their wings to mount up from the earth, the same wheels also
- turned not from beside them.
 - 17. When they stood, these stood; and when they were lifted up. these lifted up themselves also:
- for the spirit of the living creature was in them.
- 18. Then the glory of the LORD departed from off
- the threshold of the house.
- and stood over **=**1 the cherubims.
- 19. And the cherubims lifted
- **up** their wings, and mounted up from the earth in my
- sight: when they went out,
- the wheels also were
- beside them, and ■ | every one stood at
- the door of the east gate
- of the LORD'S house;
- and the glory of the
- God of Israel
- was over them above.
- 20. This is the living creature that
- - I saw under the God of Israel by the river of Chebar:
- and I knew that
- they were the
- cherubims.
- 21. Every one had
- four faces apiece.
- and every one
- four wings; and

- the likeness of the
- hands of a man was
- under their wings.

22. And the likeness of their faces was the same faces which I saw by the river of Chebar, their appearances and themselves: they went every one straight forward.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Moreover the spirit
- lifted me up, and brought
- me unto the east gate of the LORD'S house.
 - which looketh eastward:
 - and behold at the
 - door of the gate
- five and twenty men;
- among whom I saw
- Jaazaniah the son of Azur.
- and Pelatiah the son of Benaiah. princes of the people.
- Then said he
- unto me. Son of man.
- these are the
- men that devise mischief. and give wicked counsel in this city:
- Which say, It is not near;
- let us build houses: this city is the caldron, and
- we be the flesh.
- 4. Therefore prophesy against them, prophesy,
 - O son of man.
- 5. And the Spirit of the LORD
- fell upon me, and
- said unto me, Speak;
- Thus saith the LORD: Thus
 - have ye said, O house of Israel: for
- I know the things that come into your mind,
 - every one of them. 6. Ye have multiplied your slain in this city, and
- ve have filled the
- streets thereof
- with the slain.
- 7. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Your slain whom ye have laid in the midst of it, they
- are the flesh, and this

■ 1 city is the caldron: but I will bring you forth

out of the midst

of it.

8 Ye have feared the sword:

will bring a sword upon

you, saith the Lord GOD.

9. And I will bring you out

of the midst thereof.

and deliver you into the hands of strangers, and ■ | will execute judgments amona you.

10. Ye shall fall by the sword; I will judge you in the border of Israel:

and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

11. This city shall not be

your caldron, neither shall ye be the

flesh in the midst thereof;

but I will judge you

in the border of Israel: 12. And ve shall know that I am the LORD:

for ye have not walked in my statutes,

neither executed my judgments, but have done after the manners of the heathen that are round about you.

13. And it came to pass.

■ | when | prophesied, that ■ Pelatiah the son of Benaiah

died. Then fell I down upon

my face, and cried

with a loud voice, and said. Ah

Lord GOD! wilt thou make a full end of the

remnant of Israel? 14. **Again** the word of

■ the LORD came unto me. saying,

15. Son of man,

thy brethren, even thy brethren, the men of thy kindred, and all the house of Israel wholly, are they unto whom the inhabitants of Jerusalem

■ have said, Get you

far from the LORD; unto us is this land given in possession.

16. Therefore say, Thus saith the Lord GOD: Although I have cast them far off amona the heathen. and although I have

scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to

them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come.

17. Therefore say, Thus

saith the Lord GOD:

I will even

gather you from the people, and assemble

you out of the countries

where ye have been scattered, and I

will give you the land of Israel.

18. And they shall come thither.

and they shall take away all the detestable things thereof

and all

the abominations

thereof from thence. 19. And I will give them

one heart, and I will put

a new spirit within you; and I will take the stony heart out of their flesh, and will give them an heart of flesh:

20. That they may walk in my statutes, and keep mine ordinances, and do them:

and they shall be my people, and I will be their God.

21. But as for

them whose heart

walketh after the heart of their

detestable things and

their abominations, I will recompense their way upon their

own heads, saith the Lord GOD. 22. Then did the cherubims

lift up their wings, and the wheels beside them; and the alory of the God of Israel

was over them above.

23. And the glory of the LORD went up from the midst of the city. and stood upon the mountain which is on the east side of the city.

24. Afterwards the spirit took me up, and

brought me in a
vision by the Spirit of God
into Chaldea, to them
of the captivity. So the vision
that I had seen went up from me.
25 Then I snake unto

■ them of the captivity all

■ the things that

■ the LORD had

shewed me.

CHAPTER 12

■ I 1. The word of the LORD also came unto me, savina. 2. Son of man.

thou dwellest in the midst of **a rebellious house**, which have eyes to see, and see not; they have ears to hear, and hear not; for they are a rebellious house.

3. Therefore, thou son of man, prepare thee stuff for removing, and remove by day in their sight; and

thou shalt

remove from thy place

to another place in their sight:

it may be they will consider, though they

be a rebellious house.

4. Then shall thou

bring forth

thy stuff by day in their sight, as stuff for removing:

and thou shalt

go forth at even in their sight,

as they that go forth

into captivity.

5. **Dig** thou through the

wall in their sight,

and carry out thereby.

6. In their sight shalt thou bear

it upon thy

shoulders, and carry it forth in the twilight: thou shalt

cover thy face, that

thou see not the ground:

for I have set thee *for* a sign unto the house of

Israel.

7. And I did so as I was commanded: I brought forth my stuff by day, as stuff for captivity, and in the even I digged through the wall with mine hand:

I brought it forth in the twilight. and I bare it upon my shoulder

in their sight.

8. And in the morning came the word of the LORD unto me.

savina.

9. Son of man,

hath not the house of Israel, the rebellious house.

said unto thee.

What doest thou? 10. Say thou unto them.

Thus saith the Lord GOD:

This burden concerneth

the prince in Jerusalem, and

all the house of

Israel that are among them.

11. Say, I am your sign: like as I have done, so shall it be done unto them: they shall remove and go into captivity.

12. And the prince that is among them

shall bear upon his shoulder in the twilight,

and shall go forth: they

shall dig through the wall to carry out thereby:

he shall cover his face. that he see not the ground with his eves.

13. My net also will I spread upon him, and

he shall be taken in my snare: and I will bring him

to Babylon to the land of the Chaldeans:

yet shall he not see **it, though he** shail

die there.

14. And I will

scatter toward every wind

all that are about him to help him, and all his bands; and

I will draw out the sword after them.

15. And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall scatter them among the nations, and disperse them in the countries.

16 But I will leave a few men of them from the sword, from the

famine, and from the pestilence;

that they may declare all their abominations among

the heathen whither they come; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

■ 17. Moreover the word ■ of the LORD came

to me, saying,

18. Son of man, eat thy bread with quaking, and drink thy water with trembling and with carefulness;

 And say unto the people of the land, Thus saith the Lord GOD of the inhabitants of Jerusalem. and of the land of Israel:

■ They shall eat their bread with carefulness.

and drink their water

with astonishment, thather land may be desolate

from all that is therein,

because of the

■ violence of all them that dwell

■ therein. ■ 20. And the cities

that are inhabited shall be laid waste, and the land shall be desolate; and ye

shall know that I am the LORD.

21. And the word of the

■ LORD came unto me,

saying.

22. Son of man,

what is that
proverb that ye have

■ in the land of

Israel, saying, The days are prolonged,

and every vision faileth?

23. Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD:

| | | will make this proverb

to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel;

but say unto them,

■ The days are at hand, and the effect of every vision.

24. For there shall be no more any vain vision
 nor flattering divination

within the house of

■ Israel.

25. For I am the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall

I shall speak shall come to pass;

it shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.

26. Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying.

27. Son of man, behold, they of the house of Isrgel say. The

Israel say, The vision that he seeth

■ is for many days to come,

and he prophesieth
of the times that are

for off.

■ 28. **Therefore** say unto them,

Thus saith the Lord GOD:
 There shall none of my words be prolonged

any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 13

■ 1. And the word of the

LORD came unto me,

saying, 2. Son of man,

prophesy against the prophets of Israel that

prophesy, and say thou unto
them that prophesy out
of their own hearts, Hear
ve the word of the LORD:

3. Thus saith the Lord GOD;

■ Woe unto the foolish prophets, that follow

their own spirit, and have seen nothing!

4. O Israel, thy prophets are like the

prophets are like the foxes in the deserts.

■ 5. Ye have not gone up

into the gaps, neither made up the hedge for the house of

I Israel to stand in the

■ battle in the day

of the LORD.

■ 6. They have seen vanity

- and lying divination, saving. The LORD saith: and the LORD hath not sent them: and they have made others to hope that they would confirm the word. 7. Have ve not seen a vain vision, and have ve not spoken a lying
- divination, whereas ye say, ■ The LORD saith it, albeit I have not spoken?
 - 8. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Because ye have spoken vanity, and seen lies, therefore, behold,
- I am against you, saith the Lord GOD.
- And mine hand shall **be upon the prophets** that see vanity, and that divine lies: they shall not be in the
- assembly of my people.
- neither shall they be written in the writing of the house of
- Israel, neither shall they enter into
- the land of Israel; and ye shall know that I am the Lord GOD. 10. Because, even
- because they have **seduced my people,** saying,
 - Peace; and there was no peace; and
- one built up
- a wall, and lo.
- others daubed it with ■ untempered morter:
- 11. Say unto them which
- daub it with untempered morter. that it shall fall: there shall

be an overflowing shower; and ye, O great hailstones, shall fall:

- and a stormy wind shall rend it. 12. Lo, when the wall is fallen, shall it not be said unto you, Where is the
- daubing wherewith ye have daubed it? 13. Therefore thus
- saith the Lord GOD: I will even rend if with a stormy
- wind in my fury: **and** there shall be
- an overflowing
- **shower** in mine anger.
 - and great hailstones
- in my fury to consume it.

- 14. So will I break down the wall that ve have daubed with untempered morter, and bring it down to the around.
- so that the foundation thereof shall be discovered, and it
- shall fall and ye shall be consumed in the midst
- thereof: and ve shall know that I am the LORD.
- 15. Thus will I accomplish my wrath upon the wall,
 - and upon them that have daubed it with untempered morter.
- and will say unto you, The wall is no more, neither they that daubed it:
 - 16. To wit, the prophets of Israel which prophesy concerning Jerusalem, and which see visions of peace for her, and there is no peace, saith the Lord GOD.
 - 17. Likewise, thou son of man,
 - set thy face against the daughters of thy people,
 - which prophesy out of their own heart: and prophesy
 - thou against them.
 - 18. And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD:
 - Woe to the *women* that sew pillows to all armholes,
 - and make kerchiefs
 - upon the head of every
 - stature to hunt souls! Will ye hunt the souls of my people, and
 - will ve save the souls alive that come unto you?
- 19. And will ye pollute me among my people for
- handfuls of barley and for pieces of bread, to slay the souls that should not die, and to save the souls alive that should not live, by your lying to my people that hear your lies? 20. Wherefore thus saith the Lord
 - GOD: Behold,
 - I am against your pillows, wherewith ye there hunt the souls to make them fly, and I will tear them from your arms, and will let the souls go, even the souls that ye hunt to make them fly.

- 21. Your kerchiefs also will I tear, and deliver my people out of your hand, and they shall be no
- more in your hand to be
- hunted; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.
- 22. Because with lies ve have
- made the heart of
- the righteous sad.
 - whom I have not made sad:
- and strengthened
- the hands of the
- wicked, that he should not return from his wicked way.
- by promising him life:
 - 23. Therefore ye shall see no more vanity, nor divine divinations: for
- I will deliver my people out of your hand: and ye
- shall know that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. Then came certain of
- the elders of Israel
- unto me, and sat before me.
- 2. And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
 - 3. Son of man,
- these men have
- set up their
 - idols in their heart, and put the stumblingblock of their iniquity before their face:
- should I be inquired of at all by them?
- 4. Therefore speak unto them, and say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Every man of the house of Israel
- that setteth up his
- idols in his heart, and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face.
- and cometh to the prophet:
- I the LORD will answer
- I him that cometh according to the multitude of his idols:
- 5. That I may take the house of Israel in their own heart.
- because they are all
- estranged from me
 - through their idols.

- 6. Therefore say unto the house of Israel. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Repent, and turn vourselves from your idols; and turn away
 - your faces from all your abominations. 7. For every one of the
- house of Israel, or of the stranger that sojourneth in Israel, which
- separateth himself from me, and setteth up his
- idols in his heart and putteth the stumblingblock of his iniquity before his face.
- and cometh to a prophet to inquire of him concerning
- me: I the LORD will answer him by myself:
 - 8. And I

- will set my face against that man, and will
 - make him a sign and
- a proverb, and I will
- cut him off from the midst of
 - my people; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.
- And if the prophet be deceived when
 - he hath spoken a thing.
- I the LORD have deceived that prophet, and I will
- stretch out my hand upon him, and will destroy him from
 - the midst of my people Israel.
 - 10. And they shall bear the punishment of their iniquity: the punishment of the prophet shall be even as the punishment of him that seeketh unto him:
- 11. That the house of
- Israel may ao no more astray from me, neither be polluted any
 - more with all their transgressions;
- but that they may be my people, and I may be their God, saith the Lord GOD.
- The word of the
- LORD came again to me, sayina.
 - 13. Son of man.
- when the land sinneth
 - against me by
 - trespassing grievously.

- then will I stretch out mine hand upon it, and will break the staff. of the bread thereof, and will
- send famine upon it. and will cut off man and beast from it:
- 14. Though these three men,
- Noah, Daniel, and Job. were in it, they should
- deliver but their own souls by their righteousness.

saith the Lord GOD.

- 15. If I cause noisome
- beasts to pass through the land, and they
- spoil it, so that it be **desolate**, that no man may pass through because of the beasts:
 - 16. Though these three men were in it. as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters; they only shall be delivered, but the land shall be desolate.

■ 17. Or *if* I bring a

- **sword** upon that land.
- and say, Sword,

go through the land; so that

I cut off man and beast from it: 18. Though these three men were in it. as I live, saith the Lord GOD, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall

be delivered themselves. 19. Or if I send a

pestilence into that land.

and pour out my fury upon if in blood, to cut off

from it man and beast: 20. Though Nogh, Daniel,

and Job were in it. as I live, saith the Lord GOD.

they shall deliver neither

son nor daughter: they shall **but** deliver

their own souls

by their righteousness.

21. For thus saith

the Lord GOD: ■ I How much more when

■ I send my four sore

judgments upon

Jerusalem, the sword.

and the famine, and the noisome beast, and the pestilence.

to cut off from it.

man and beast?

22 **Yet** behold

therein shall be left

a remnant that shall be brought forth, both sons and daughters: behold.

they shall come

forth unto you,

and ye shall see their way

and their doings: and ye shall be comforted concerning

the evil that I have brought

upon Jerusalem, even concerning all that

I have brought upon it. 23. And they shall comfort you. when ye see their ways and their doings: and ve shall know that

I have not done without cause all that I have done in it, saith the Lord GOD

CHAPTER 15

- And the word of the LORD
 - came unto me, saying,
 - Son of man.

what is the vine tree more than any tree.

Of than

a branch which is

among the trees

of the forest?

3. Shall wood be taken thereof to ė

do any work? or will

men take a pin of it to

hana any

vessel thereon?

4. Behold, it is cast into the **-** 1 fire for fuel; the fire devoureth

both the ends of it, and the midst of it is burned. Is it meet for any work?

Behold.

when it was whole, it was meet for no

work: how much less

shall it be meet yet for any work, when the fire hath devoured it, and

it is burned?

Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD;

As the vine tree

among the trees of the forest,

which I have given to the fire for fuel, so will I give the inhabitants of Jerusalem.

7. And I will set my face

against them; they shall go out from one fire, and another fire shall devour them; and ve shall know that I am the LORD, when I set my face against them.

■ 8. And I will

make the land desolate.

because they have

committed a trespass. saith the Lord GOD

CHAPTER 16

1. Again the word of the LORD came unto me. savina.

2. Son of man.

cause Jerusalem to know her abominations.

3. And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD unto Jerusalem;

Thy birth and thy nativity

is of the land of

Canaan; thy father was an Amorite, and thy mother an Hittite.

4. And as for thy nativity,

in the day thou wast born thy navel was not cut.

neither wast thou

washed in water to supple thee:

thou wast not saited at all.

nor swaddled at all.

5. **None** eve

pitied thee, to do any of these unto thee.

to have compassion upon thee:

but thou wast cast

out in the open field.

to the lothing of thy person.

in the day that thou wast born.

6. And when

I passed by thee. and saw thee polluted in

> thine own blood. I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood. Live:

yea, I said unto thee when thou wast in thy blood,

Live.

7. I have caused thee to

multiply as the bud of the field, and

thou hast increased and waxen great. and thou art come to excellent ornaments:

thy breasts are fashioned. and thine hair is grown.

whereas thou

wast naked and hare

Now when I. passed by thee, and looked upon thee, behold, thy time was the time of love; and

I spread my skirt over thee and covered thy

nakedness: vea.

sware unto thee, and

entered into a covenant with thee, saith the Lord GOD. and thou becamest mine.

9 Then washed I thee with water; yea, I throughly washed away thy blood from thee.

and I anointed thee with oil.

10. I clothed thee also with broidered work, and shod thee with badgers' skin, and I girded thee about with fine linen, and I covered thee with

silk.

11. I decked thee also with ornaments, and I put bracelets upon thy hands, and a chain on thy neck.

12. And I put a jewel on thy forehead, and earrings in thine ears, and a beautiful crown upon thine head.

> 13. Thus wast thou decked with gold and silver; and thy raiment was of line linen, and silk, and broidered work; thou didst eat fine flour, and honey, and oil:

and thou wast exceeding beautiful, and thou

didst prosper into a kingdom. 14. And thy renown went forth among the heathen for thy beauty: for it was perfect through my

comeliness, which I had put upon thee, saith the Lord GOD.

15. But thou didst trust in thine own beauty, and playedst the

FZEKIEL 16 harlot because of thy renown. and pouredst out thy ■ fornications on every one that passed by; his it was. 16. And of thy garments thou didst take. and deckedst thy high places with divers colours. and playedst the harlot thereupon: the like things shall not come, neither shall it be so. 17 Thou hast also taken thy fair iewels of my gold and of my silver, which I had given thee. and madest to thyself images of men, and didst commit whoredom with them. 18. And tookest thy broidered garments, and coveredst them: and thou hast set mine oil. and mine incense before them. ■ 19. **My meat** also which I gave thee, fine flour, and oil, and honey, wherewith I fed thee. thou hast even **5** | set it before them for a sweet savour: and thus it was, saith the Lord GOD. 20. Moreover thou hast taken thy sons and thy dauahters, whom thou hast borne unto me and these hast thou sacrificed unto **them** to be devoured. Is this of thy whoredoms a small matter. 21. That thou hast slain my children, and delivered

them to cause them

to pass through

22. And in all thine

thy youth, when thou wast naked and bare,

remembered the days of

the fire for them?

abominations

and thy whoredoms

thou hast not

and wast

- polluted in thy blood. 23. And it came to pass after all thy wickedness, (woe, woe unto thee! saith the LORD GOD:) 24. That thou hast also built unto thee an eminent place, and hast made thee an high place in every street. 25. **Thou** hast built thy high place at every head of the way, and hast made thy beauty to be abhorred, and hast opened thy feet to every one that passed by, and multiplied thy whoredoms. 26. Thou hast also committed fornication with the Egyptians thy neighbours.
 - great of flesh; and hast increased thy whoredoms, to provoke me to anger. 27 Behold therefore I have stretched out my hand over thee, and have diminished thine ordinary food, and delivered thee unto the will of them that hate thee, the daughters of the Philistines, which are ashamed of thy lewd way. 28. Thou hast played the whore also with the Assyrians, because thou wast unsatiable; yea, thou hast played the harlot with them, and yet couldest not be satisfied. 29. **Thou hast** moreover multiplied thy fornication in the land of Canaan unto Chaldea: and vet thou wast not satisfied therewith. 30. How weak is thine heart, saith the LORD GOD, seeing thou doest all these things, the work of an imperious whorish woman; 31. In that thou buildest thine eminent place in the head of every way, and makest thine high place in every street: and hast not been as an harlot, in that thou scornest hire: 32. But as a wife that committeth adultery, which taketh strangers instead

1153 of her husband! 33. They give gifts to all whores: but thou givest thy gifts to all thy lovers, and hirest them. that they may come unto thee on every side for thy whoredom. 34. And the contrary is in thee from other women in thy whoredoms, whereas none followeth thee to commit whoredoms: and in that thou givest a reward, and no reward is given unto thee, therefore thou art contrary. 35. Wherefore, O harlot. hear the word of the LORD: 36. Thus saith the Lord GOD: Because thy filthiness was poured out, and thy nakedness discovered through thy whoredoms with thy lovers, and with all the 5 idols of thy abominations, and by the blood of thy children, which thou didst give unto them: 37. Behold. therefore I will gather all thy lovers, with whom thou hast taken pleasure, and all them that thou hast loved, with all them that thou hast hated; I will even gather them round about against thee, and will discover thy nakedness unto them. that they may see all thy nakedness. 38. And I will judge thee, as women that break wedlock and shed blood are judged; and I will give thee blood in fury and jealousy. 39. And I will also give thee into their

hand, and they shall

high places: they

throw down thine eminent

place, and shall break down thy

shall strip thee also of thy

clothes, and shall take thy fair jewels, and leave thee naked and bare. 40. They shall also **bring** up a company against thee, and they shall stone thee with stones, and thrust thee through with their swords. 41. And they shall burn thine houses with fire, and execute judgments upon thee in the sight of many women: and I will cause thee to cease from playing the harlot, and thou also shalt give no hire any more. 42. So will I make my fury toward thee to rest, and my jealousy shall depart from thee. and I will be quiet, and will be no more angry. 43. Because thou hast not remembered the days of thy youth, but hast fretted me in all these things; behold. therefore I also will recompense thy way upon thine head, saith the Lord GOD: and thou shalt not commit this lewdness above all thine abominations. 44. Behold, every one that useth proverbs shall use this proverb against thee, saying, As is the mother, so is her daughter. 45. Thou art thy mother's daughter, that lotheth her husband and her children; and thou art the sister of thy sisters, which loathed their husbands and their children: your mother *was* an Hittite, and your father an Amorite. 46. And thine elder sister is Samaria, she and her daughters that dwell at thy left hand: and thy younger sister,

that dwelleth at thy right hand.

EZEKIEL 16 is Sodom and her daughters. 47 Yet hast thou not walked after their ways, nor done after their abominations: but. as if that were a very little thing. thou wast corrupted more than they in all thy ways. 48. As I live, saith the Lord GOD. Sodom thy sister hath not done. she nor her daughters, as thou hast done, thou and thy daughters. ■ | 49. Behold, this was the iniquity of thy sister Sodom, pride, fulness of bread, and abundance of idleness was in her and in her daughters. neither did she strengthen the hand of the poor and needy. 50. And they were haughty, and committed abomination before me: therefore I took them QWQY as I saw good. 51. Neither hath Samaria committed half of thy sins: but thou hast multiplied thine abominations more than they, and hast justified thy sisters in all thine abominations which thou hast done. ■ 52. Thou also, which hast judged thy sisters, bear thine own shame for thy sins that thou hast committed more abominable than they: they are more righteous than thou: yea, be thou confounded also, and bear thy shame, in that thou hast justified thy sisters. 53. When I shall bring again their captivity. ■ the captivity of

■ Sodom and her daughters,

again the captivity of thy captives in the

■ | Samaria and her daughters,

■ and the captivity of

■ then will I bring

midst of them:

and mayest be confounded in all that thou hast done, in that thou art a comfort unto them. When thy sisters. Sodom and her daughters. shall return to their former estate. and Samaria and her daughters shall return to their former estate, then thou and thy daughters shall return to your former estate 56. For thy sister Sodom was not mentioned by thy mouth in the day of thy pride. 57. Before thy wickedness was discovered, as at the time of thy reproach of the daughters of Syria. and all that are round about her, the daughters of the Philistines, which despise thee round about. 58. Thou hast borne thy lewdness and thine abominations, saith the LORD. 59. For thus saith the Lord GOD: I will even deal with thee as thou hast done. which hast despised the oath in breaking the covenant. 60. Nevertheless I will remember my covenant with thee in the days of thy youth, and I will establish unto thee an everlasting covenant. 61. Then thou shalt remember thy ways, and be ashamed, when thou shalt receive thy sisters, thine elder and thy younger: and I will give them unto thee for daughters. but not by thy covenant. 62. And I will establish my covenant with thee: and thou shalt know that I *am* the LORD: 63. That thou mayest remember, and be confounded. and never open thy

54. That thou mayest

bear thine own shame.

mouth any more
 because of thy shame,
 when I am pacified toward
 thee for all that thou hast
 done, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 17

1. And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2. Son of man, put forth a riddle, and

speak a parable

■ unto the house of

■ Israel;

3. And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD:

A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers,

which had divers colours,

and took the highest branch of the cedar:

4. He cropped off

■ the top of his

■ young twigs, and carried

if into a land of traffic; he set it in

a city of merchants.

5. He took also of the land.

and planted it in a fruitful

field; he placed it

by great waters, and set

it as a willow tree.

6. And it grew, andbecame a spreading

vine of low stature.

whose branches

■ turned toward him,

and the roots thereof

were under him: so it became a vine, and brought forth

branches, and shot forth sprigs.

7. There was alsoanother great

■ eagle with great wings

and many feathers: and, behold,

■ this vine did bend her

■ roots toward him,

and shot forth her

branches toward him,that he might water it

by the furrows of her plantation.

8. It was planted in a good soil by great

waters, that it might bring forth branches, and that it might bear fruit, that it might be a goodly vine. 9. Say thou, Thus

saith the Lord GOD;
Shall it prosper? s

Shall it prosper? shall he not pull up the roots thereof, and cut off the fruit thereof, that it wither? it shall wither in all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people for

all the leaves of her spring, even without great power or many people to pluck it up by the roots thereof.

10. Yea, behold, being planted, shall it prosper? shall it not utterly

wither, when the east wind toucheth it? it shall wither in the furrows where it grew.

Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

12. Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these things mean? tell them.

Behold, the king of Babylon
 is come to Jerusalem, and
 hath taken the king thereof,
 and the princes thereof,

and led them with him
to Babylon:

■ 13. And hath taken of the king's seed, and made

a covenant with him, and hath taken an oath of him: he hath also taken the mighty of the land:

14. That the kingdom might be base, that it might not lift itself up, but that

by keeping of his covenant it might stand.

■ 15. But he rebelled against him in sending his

ambassadors into Egypt,
 that they might give him
 horses and much people.

Shall he prosper? shall he escape that doeth such things? or

shall he break the

covenant, andbe delivered?

■ 16. **As I live**, saith the Lord GOD,

■ surely in the place

where the king dwelleth

that made him king,

- whose oath he despised.
 - and whose covenant he brake. even with him in the
- midst of Babylon
 - he shall die.
- 17 Neither shall
 - Pharaoh with his mighty army and great company
- make for him in the
- **war.** by casting up mounts, and building forts,
- to cut off many persons:
- 18. Seeing he despised the oath by breaking the
- covenant, when, lo, he had given his hand, and hath done all these things.
- he shall not escape.
 - 19. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: As I live, surely mine oath that he hath despised, and
- my covenant that he hath broken, even it
- will I recompense upon his own head.
- 20. And I will spread my net upon him, and he shall be taken in my snare,
- and I will
- bring him to Babylon, and will plead with him there
 - for his trespass that he hath trespassed against me.
- 21. And all
- his fugitives with all his bands
- shall fall by the sword, and they that remain shall be
- scattered toward all winds:
- and ye shall know that I the LORD have spoken it.
 - 22. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
- I will also take of ■ the highest branch
- of the high
- cedar, and will set it: I
- | will crop off from
- the top of his young
- twics a tender one.
- and will
- plant it upon an high
- mountain and eminent:
 - 23. In the mountain of the height of Israel will I plant it:

- and it shall bring forth boughs, and bear fruit,
 - and be a goodly cedar; and under it shall dwell all fowl of every wing; in the shadow of the branches thereof shall they dwell.
- 24. And all the trees of the field shall know that I the LORD
- have brought down the high tree, have exalted the low
- tree, have dried up the green tree,
- and have
- made the dry tree to
- flourish: I the LORD have spoken and have done it.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. The word of the
- LORD came unto me
- again, saying,
- 2. What mean ye, that ye use
 - this proverb
- concerning the land of
- Israel, saying, The fathers
- have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge?
 - 3. As I live, saith the Lord GOD.
 - ve shall not have occasion any more to
- use this proverb in Israel.
- 4. Behold, all souls are mine; as the soul of the father,
- so also the soul of the son is mine: the soul that sinneth.
- it shall die.
- But if a man be just,
- and do that which is lawful and right,
 - 6. And hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, neither hath defiled his neighbour's wife, neither hath come near to a menstruous woman.
 - And hath not oppressed any, but hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;
 - 8. He that hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any

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increase, that hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man, 9. Hath walked in my statutes.

and hath kept my

Judgments, to deal truly; he *is* just,

he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD.

■ 10. If he beget a son that is ■ a robber, a shedder of

blood, and that doeth the like to any one of these things.

11. And that doeth not any of those *duties*, but even hath eaten upon the mountains, and defiled

upon the mountains, and defiled his neighbour's wife,

12. Hath oppressed the poor and

needy, hath spoiled by violence, hath not restored the pledge, and hath lifted up his eyes to the idols,

■ hath committed■ abomination,

13. Hath given forth upon usury, and hath taken increase: shall he then live? he shall not live: he hath done all these abominations;

■ he shall surely die; his blood shall be upon him.

■ 14. **Now**, lo.

if he beget a son,

■ that seeth all

■ his father's sins which he hath done, and considereth,

15. That hath not eaten upon the mountains, neither hath lifted up his eyes to the idols of the house of Israel, hath not defiled his neighbour's wife,

16. Neither hath oppressed any, hath not withholden the pledge, neither hath spoiled by violence, but hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a parment.

17. That hath taken off his hand from the poor, that hath not received usury nor increase, hath executed my judgments, hath walked in my statutes;

he shall not die for the iniquity of his father, he shall surely live.

18. As for his father, because he cruelly oppressed, spoiled his brother by violence, and did that which is not good among his people, lo, even he shall die in his iniquity.
19. Yet say ye, Why?

doth not the son bear the iniquity of the father? When the son hath done

that which is lawful and

fight, and hath kept all my

statutes, and hath done them,

he shall surely live.

20. The soul that sinneth.

it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be

the righteous shall be
 upon him, and the
 wickedness of the
 wicked shall be upon him.

■ 21. But if the wicked

will turn from all

his sins that he hath committed, and keep all my statutes.

and do that which

is lawful and

right, he shall surely live,

he shall not die.

22. All his transgressions that he hath committed, they

shall not be

mentioned unto him:

in his righteousness that he hath done

■ he shall live.

■ 23. Have I any pleasure at all that the wicked should

■ die? saith the Lord GOD:

and not that he should return from his ways.

return trom his way and live?

■ 24. But when the

righteous turneth away from his righteousness, and

committeth iniquity, and doeth according to all the abominations that the wicked man doeth,

■ shall he live? All his

righteousness that he hath done shall not be mentioned: in

his trespass that he hath trespassed,

- and in his sin that he hath sinned in them.
 - shall he die.
- 25. Yet ye say, The way of ■ the LORD is not equal.
- Hear now, O house of
- Israel: Is not my way equal? are not your ways unequal?
- 26. When a righteous man turneth away from his
- righteousness, and committeth
- iniquity, and dieth in them;
- for his iniquity that he hath done shall he die.
- 27. Again, when the wicked man turneth away ■ l from his wickedness

that he hath committed.

- and doeth that ■ | which is lawful and
- right, he shall save his soul alive.
 - 28. Because he considereth, and turneth away from all his transgressions that he hath committed, he shall surely live, he shall not die.
 - 29. Yet saith the house of Israel, The way of the LORD is not equal. O house of Israel, are not my ways equal? are not your ways unequal?
- 30. Therefore I will
- judge you, O house of Israel, every one according to
- his ways, saith the Lord GOD.
- Repent, and turn yourselves from
- all your transgressions;
- so iniquity shall not be your ruin.
- 31. Cast away from you all your transgressions,
- whereby ye have transgressed; and make you a new
- heart and a new
- | spirit: for why will ye
- die, O house of Israel?
- 32. For I have no
- pleasure in the
 - death of him that dieth. saith the Lord GOD:
- wherefore turn yourselves,
- and live ye.

CHAPTER 19

- Moreover take thou up a lamentation for the
- princes of Israel.
- 2. And say, What is
- thy mother? A lioness:
- she lay down among
 - lions, she nourished her whelps among young lions.
- And she brought up one of her whelps: it became a young lion,
 - and if learned to catch the prey; it devoured men.
- 4 The nations also
- heard of him; he
 - was taken in their pit.
- and they brought him with chains unto the land of
- Eaypt.
- 5. Now when she saw that she had waited, and
- her hope was lost, then
- she took another of her whelps,
- and made him **=** 1
- a young lion. 6. And he went up and down among the lions, he became a young lion, and
- learned to catch the prey.
- and devoured men.
 - And he knew their desolate palaces, and he
- laid waste their cities; and the land was desolate.
- and the fulness thereof. by the noise of his roarina.
- 8. Then the nations set
- against him on every side from the provinces,
- and spread their net over
- him: he was taken in their pit.
- And they put him in ward in chains, and brought
- him to the king of
- **Babylon**: they brought him into holds, that his voice should no more be heard upon the mountains of Israel.
- 10. Thy mother is
- like a vine in thy blood,
- planted by the
- waters: she was fruitful
 - and full of branches by reason of many waters.

- 11. And she had strong rods for the sceptres of them that bare rule. and her stature was exalted among the thick branches, and she appeared in her height with the multitude of her branches.
- 12. But she was plucked up
- in fury, she was cast down
- to the ground, and the east
- wind dried up
- her fruit: her strong
- rods were broken
- and withered: the
- fire consumed them.
- 13. And now she is planted
 - in the wilderness, in a dry and thirsty ground.
 - 14. And fire is gone out of a rod of her branches, which hath devoured her fruit, so that she hath no strong rod to be a sceptre to rule.
- This is a lamentation, and
- shall be for a lamentation.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. And it came to pass in the seventh year, in the fifth month, the tenth day of the month.
- that certain of the
- elders of Israel came
- to inquire of the
- LORD, and sat before me.
- 2. Then came the word of the LORD unto me, saying,
 - 3. Son of man,
- speak unto the
- elders of Israel.
- and say unto

them. Thus saith the Lord GOD; Are ye come to inquire of me? As I live, saith the Lord GOD.

- I will not be inquired
- of by you.
 - 4. Wilt thou judge them, son of man, wilt thou judge them?
- cause them to know ■ I the abominations
- of their fathers:
- 5. And say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
- In the day when I chose
 - Israel, and lifted up mine hand unto the seed of the house of Jacob

- and made myself known unto them in the land of
- Equpt, when I lifted up mine hand unto them,
 - saying, I am the LORD
 - your God:
 - 6. In the day that
- I lifted up mine
- hand unto them.
- to bring them forth
 - of the land of Egypt
- into a land that I had espied for them, flowing
- with milk and honey.
- which is the glory of all lands:
- 7. Then said I unto them.
- Cast ye away every man the abominations of
- his eyes, and defile not yourselves with the idols of Egypt: I am the
 - LORD your God. But they rebelled against me.
- and would not hearken unto me: they did not every man cast away the abominations of their eyes, neither did they forsake the idols of Egypt:
- then I said. I will pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them in
- the midst of the land of Egypt. 9. But I wrought for my
- name's sake, that it should not be polluted before the
 - heathen, among whom
- they were, in whose sight I made myself
- known unto them.
- in bringing them forth
- out of the land of
- Egypt.
 - 10. Wherefore I caused them to go forth out of the land of Egypt, and brought them into
- the wilderness.
- 11. And I
- gave them my statutes, and shewed them my judgments, which if a man do, he shall even live in them.
 - 12. Moreover also I gave them
- my sabbaths, to be a sign between me and them.

that they might know that I am the LORD that sanctify them.

- 13. But the house of
 Israel rebelled against me in the wilderness: they walked not in my statutes.
- and they
- despised my
- judgments, which if a man do, he shall even live in them;
- and my sabbaths
- they greatly
- polluted: then I said,
- I would pour out my fury upon them in the wilderness, to
- consume them.
- 14. **But** I wrought
- for my name's sake,

that it should not be polluted before the heathen, in whose sight

- I brought them out.
 - 15. Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that
 - I would not bring them into the land which I had given them,
- flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory
 - **honey**, which is the glory of all lands;
- 16. Because they despised my judgments, and walked not in my statutes, but polluted my sabbaths: for
- but polluted my sabbaths: for their heart went after their idols.

 17. Nevertheless mine
- eye spared them from destroying
- them, neither did I make an end of them in the wilderness.
- 18. But I said unto their children in the wilderness.
- Walk ye
- not in the statutes of your fathers, neither
- observe their judgments,
 nor defile yourselves
- with their idols:
 - 19. I am the LORD your God; walk in my statutes, and
- keep my judgments, and do them;
- 20. And hallow my
- **sabbaths; and** they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may
 - know that I am the
- **LORD** your God.

- 21. Notwithstanding the children rebelled against me: they walked not in my statutes, neither kept my judgments to do them, which if a man do, he shall even live in them; they polluted my sabbaths:
- then I said, I would pour out my fury upon them, to accomplish my anger against them
- in the wilderness.
- 22. Nevertheless |
- withdrew mine hand, and wrought for my name's sake, that it should not be polluted in the sight of the heathen, in whose sight
- I brought them forth.
- 23. I liffed up mine
- hand unto them also
- in the wilderness, that would scatter them
- among the heathen, and
- disperse them through the countries; 24. **Because they** had not
- executed my judgments, but had despised my statutes, and had polluted my sabbaths, and their eyes were after their fathers' idols.
 - 25. Wherefore I gave them also statutes *that were* not good, and judgments whereby they should not live:
- 26. And I polluted them in their own gifts, in that they caused to pass through the fire all that openeth the womb.
- that I might make
- them desolate, to the end
 that they might know
 that I am the LORD.
- 27. Therefore, son of man,speak unto the house of
- israel, and say unto them.
- Thus saith the Lord GOD; Yet in this your fathers have
- blasphemed me, in that they have committed a
- trespass against me.
 28. For when I had
- brought them into
 - the land, for the which I lifted up mine hand to give it to them, then
- they saw every high
- hill, and all the

thick trees, and they offered there their sacrifices, and there they presented the provocation of their offering; there also they made their sweet savour, and poured out there their drink offerings. 29. Then I said unto them.

What is the high place whereunto ve go? And

the name whereof is called Bamah unto this day. 30. Wherefore say unto the house of Israel.

Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Are ye polluted after the manner of your

fathers? and commit ve

whoredom after their abominations?

31. For when ye offer your gifts, when ye make your sons to pass through the

fire, ve pollute vourselves with all your

idols, even unto this day: and shall I be inquired of by you. O house of Israel?

As I live, saith the Lord GOD. I will not be inquired

of by you.

32. And that which cometh into your mind shall not be at all, that ye say, We will be as the

heathen, as the

families of the countries.

to serve wood and stone. 33. As I live, saith the Lord GOD, surely with a mighty hand. and with a stretched out arm, and

with fury poured out, will I rule over you:

34. And I will bring

you out from the people. and will gather you out

of the countries wherein ye are scattered, with a mighty hand, and with a stretched out arm, and with fury poured out.

35. And I will bring you into the wilderness of the people,

and there will I

plead with you face to face.

36. **Like** as

I pleaded with your

fathers in the wilderness of the land of Egypt, so will I plead with you, saith the Lord GOD.

37. And I will cause you to pass under the rod. and I will bring you into the

bond of the covenant:

38. **And** I will

purae out from among you the rebels, and them

> that transgress against me: will bring them forth out of the country where they sojourn, and

they shall not enter

into the land of

Israel: and ve shall know that I am the LORD.

39. As for you. O house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD:

Go ve. serve ye every one his

idols, and hereafter also.

if ye will not hearken unto me: but pollute ve my holy name no more with

your gifts, and with your idols.

40. For in mine holy

mountain, in the mountain of the height of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

there shall all the house of Israel, all of them in the land.

serve me: there will I accept them,

and there will I require your offerings, and the firstfruits of

vour oblations, with all your holy things.

41. I will accept you with your sweet savour.

when I bring you out from

the people, and gather you out of the countries wherein ve have been scattered:

and I will be sanctified in you before the heathen.

42. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall bring you into the

land of Israel, into the

country for the which I lifted up mine

hand to give it to your fathers. 43. And there shall ve

remember your ways, and all your doings, wherein

ve have been defiled; and ve shall lothe yourselves

in your own sight for all your evils that

ve have committed.

■ 44. And ye shall know that ■ I am the LORD when I ■ have wrought with you for my name's sake, not

according to your wicked Ways, nor according to your

corrupt doings, O ye house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD. 45. Moreover the word

of the LORD came unto me, saying,

46. Son of man,

■ | set thy face toward the

south, and drop thy word **■**1 toward the south.

and prophesy against

the forest of the south field: 47. And say to the forest of the south. Hear the word of the LORD: Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,

■ I will kindle a fire

in thee, and it shall

devour every green tree in

■ thee, and every dry tree:

■ the flaming

flame shall not be

auenched, and all faces from the south to the north

shall be burned therein.

48. And all

flesh shall see that I the LORD ■ | have kindled it: it shall

not be quenched. 49. Then said I. Ah

■ Lord GOD!

■ | they say of me,

■ Doth he not

■ speak parables?

CHAPTER 21

■1 1. And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2. Son of man.

set thy face toward

Jerusalem, and drop thy word toward the holy places.

and prophesy against the land of Israel.

3. And say to the land of Israel. Thus saith the

LORD: Behold.

I am against thee, and will draw forth my sword out of his sheath, and will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked.

4. Seeing then that

I will cut off from thee the righteous and the wicked. therefore shall my sword go forth

out of his sheath against all flesh from the south to the north:

5 That all flesh

may know that

I the LORD

have drawn forth

my sword out of his sheath: it shall not return any more.

Sigh therefore, thou son of man, with the breaking of thy loins: and

with bitterness sigh before their eyes.

And it shall be.

when they say unto thee,

Wherefore sighest

thou? that thou shalt answer. For the tidings:

because it cometh: and every heart shall melt, and all

hands shall be feeble.

and every spirit shall faint, and all

knees shall be weak

as water: behold.

it cometh, and shall be brought to pass,

saith the Lord GOD.

8. Again the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

Son of man.

prophesy, and say, Thus saith the LORD: Sav. A sword,

a sword is

sharpened, and also

furbished:

10. It is sharpened to make a sore slaughter; it is furbished that it may glitter: should we then

make mirth? it contemneth the rod of my son. as every tree.

11. And he hath given it to be furbished, that it may be handled: this sword is sharpened. and it is furbished, to

give it into the hand of the slayer.

12. Cry and howl son of man: for it shall be upon my people, it shall be upon all the princes of Israel: terrors

by reason of the sword shall be

upon my people: smite therefore upon thy thigh. 13. Because it is a trial, and what if the sword contemn even the rod? it shall be no more, saith the Lord GOD. 14. Thou therefore, son of

man, prophesy. and smite thine hands together, and let the sword be doubled the third time. the sword of the slain; it is the sword of the great men that are slain, which entereth into their privy chambers.

15. I have set the point of the sword against all their gates, that their heart may faint, and their ruins be multiplied; ah! it is made bright.

it is wrapped up for the slaughter.

16. Go thee one way or other, either on the right hand, or on the left. whithe soever thy face is set.

17. I will also smite mine hands together, and I will cause my fury to rest:

I the LORD have said it. 18. The word of the LORD came unto me again, saying,

19. Also, thou son of man,

appoint thee two ways. ■ that the sword of the king of

■ Babylon may

come: both twain

shall come forth out of one land; and

choose thou

a place, choose it at the head of the

way to the city.

20. Appoint a way, that the sword may come to

Rabbath of the Ammonites.

and to

Judah in Jerusalem the defenced.

21. For the king of

Babylon stood at

the parting of the way. at the head of the

two ways, to use divination: he made

his arrows bright.

he consulted with

images, he looked in the liver.

22. At his right hand was the divination for Jerusalem. to appoint captains, to open the

mouth in the slaughter, to lift up the voice with shouting, to appoint battering rams against the gates, to cast a mount, and to build a fort.

23 And it shall be unto them as a false divination in

their sight, to them that

have sworn paths; but he will call to remembrance the

iniquity, that they may be taken.

24. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD:

Because ye have made your iniquity to be remembered, in that your transgressions are

discovered, so that in all your doings your sins do appear; because, I sav. that ve are come to remembrance.

ve shall be taken with the hand.

25. And thou, profane wicked prince of Israel

whose day is come, when iniquity shall have an end.

26. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Remove the diadem, and take off the crown; this shall not be the same: exalt him that is

low, and abase him that is high. 27. I will overturn.

overturn, overturn, it: and

it shall be no *more*, until he come whose right it is; and

I will give it him. 28. And thou, son of man, prophesy and say. Thus saith the Lord GOD concerning the Ammonites, and concerning

■ their reproach: even

say thou, The sword,

- the sword is drawn: for the slaughter it is furbished, to consume because of the alittering:
 - 29. Whiles they
- see vanity unto thee, whiles they divine a lie
- unto thee, to bring thee
- upon the necks of them that are
- slain, of the wicked. whose day is come,
- when their iniquity shall have an end.
 - 30. Shall I cause it to return into his sheath? I will judge thee in the place where thou wast created. in the land of thy nativity.
- 31. And I will pour out mine indignation upon

■ thee. I will blow against thee in the fire of my wrath.

- and deliver thee into the ■ | hand of brutish men, and skilful to destroy.
- 32. Thou shalt be for **fuel to the fire:** thy blood shall be in the midst of the land:
- thou shalt be no more
- remembered: for I the LORD have spoken it.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saving.
 - 2. Now, thou son of man, wilt thou
- judge, wilt thou judge
- the bloody city? yea, thou shall
- shew her all her ■ abominations.
- 3. Then say thou, Thus saith the Lord GOD.
- The city sheddeth
- **blood** in the midst of it. that her time may come.
- and maketh idols against
- herself to defile herself.

- 4. Thou art become
- guilty in thy
- blood that **=** |
- thou hast shed; and hast defiled thyself in thine
- idols which thou hast made: and thou hast caused thy days to draw near, and art
- come even unto thy years: therefore have I made thee a reproach unto
- the heathen, and a mocking to all countries.
- 5. Those that be
- near, and those that be far from thee.
- shall mock thee, which art infamous and much vexed.
- 6. Behold, the princes of Israel, every one were in thee to their
- power to shed blood. 7. In thee have they set
 - light by father and mother: in the midst of thee have they
- dealt by oppression with the stranger: in thee have they vexed the
- fatherless and the
- widow.
- 8. Thou hast despised mine holy things, and hast profaned my sabbaths.
- In thee are
- men that carry tales to
- shed blood: and in thee they eat upon the mountains: in the midst of thee they
- commit lewdness.
- 10. In thee have
- they discovered their fathers'
- nakedness: in thee have
- they humbled her that was set apart for pollution.
 - 11. And one hath
- committed abomination with his neighbour's
- wife: and another hath
- lewdly defiled his daughter
- in law; and another in thee hath humbled his sister, his
 - father's daughter.

12. In thee have they taken gifts to shed blood: ■ thou hast taken usury and increase, and thou hast greedily ■ | gained of thy neighbours by extortion, and hast forgotten me, saith the Lord GOD.

Behold.

therefore I have smitten mine hand at thy dishonest gain which thou hast made,

and at thy blood

which hath been

in the midst of thee.

14. Can thine heart endure. or can thine hands be strong.

in the days that I shall deal with thee? Like LOBD have spoken it, and will do it.

15. And I will scatter thee among the heathen, and disperse thee in the countries.

and will consume thy filthiness out of thee

> 16. And thou shalt take thine inheritance in thyself in the sight of the heathen.

and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

17. And the word of the LORD came

unto me, saying,

18. Son of man, the house of

Israel is to me

become dross: all they are brass, and tin, and iron, and lead. in the midst of the furnace: they are even the dross of silver.

19. Therefore thus saith the

Lord GOD; Because ve are all become dross, behold, therefore

I will gather you into the midst of Jerusalem.

20. As they gather silver, and brass, and iron, and lead, and tin,

into the midst of

the furnace, to blow the fire upon it.

to melt it; so will I gather you in mine anger and in my fury,

and I will leave

you there, and melt you. 21. Yea, I will gather you. and blow upon you in the fire of my wrath, and ye

shall be melted in the midst therof.

22. As silver is melted

in the midst of

the furnace, so shall ve **be** melted in the midst thereof:

and ve shall know that I the LORD have poured out

my fury upon you. 23. And the word of the LORD

> came unto me, saving, 24. Son of man, say unto her,

Thou *art* the land that is not cleansed, nor rained upon in the day of indignation.

25. **There is a**

conspiracy of her prophets in the midst thereof.

_ **like a** roaring

lion ravening the prey; they have devoured souls: they have taken the treasure and precious things: they have made her many widows in the midst thereof.

26. Her priests have violated my law, and have profaned mine holy things:

> they have put no difference between the holy and profane, neither have they shewed difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from my sabbaths,

and I am profaned among them.

27. Her princes in the midst thereof

are like wolves ravening the prey,

to shed blood.

and to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain.

28. And her prophets have daubed them with untempered *morter*,

seeing vanity, and divining

lies unto them.

saying, Thus saith

the Lord GOD.

when the LORD hath not spoken.

- 1 29. The people of the land have used oppression, and exercised robbery, and have vexed the poor and needy: yea. they have oppressed the stranger wrongfully.
- 30. And I sought for a ■ | man among them, that should make up the hedge. and stand in the gap before me for the land.
- that I should not destroy it: but I found none.
- 31. Therefore have
- I poured out mine
- indianation upon them;
- have
 - consumed them with the
- fire of my wrath: their
- own way have I
- recompensed upon their
- heads, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 23

- ■1 1. The word of the LORD
- came again unto me. sayina,

 - Son of man.
- there were two women. the daughters of one mother: 3. And they committed
- whoredoms in Egypt: they committed whoredoms

in their youth: there were their breasts pressed,

- and there they
- bruised the teats
- of their virginity.
- 4. And the names of them
- were Aholah the elder. and Aholibah her
- sister: and they were mine,
- and they bare sons
- and daughters.
 - Thus were their names:
- Samaria is Aholah. and Jerusalem Aholibah.
- 5. And Aholah played the
- I harlot when she was ■ mine: and she doted
- on her lovers, on
- the Assyrians her neighbours,
 - 6. Which were clothed with blue.

captains and rulers, all of them desirable young men, horsemen riding upon horses.

- Thus she committed her
 - whoredoms with

them, with all them that were the chosen men of Assyria, and with all on whom she doted: with all their idols she defiled herself

Neither left she her whoredoms brought from Egypt: for in her youth they

lay with her, and they bruised the breasts of her virginity, and poured their

- **.** ' whoredom upon her.
- Wherefore I have
- delivered her into the hand of her lovers, into the hand
- of the Assyrians, upon whom she doted.
 - These discovered. her nakedness:
- they took her sons and her daughters, and slew her with the sword: and she became famous among women; for they had executed judgment upon her.
- 11. And when her sister
- Aholibah saw this, she was more corrupt in her inordinate love than she, and in her whoredoms more
- than her sister in her whoredoms.
 - 12. She doted upon the
 - Assyrians her neighbours, captains and rulers clothed most gorgeously, horsemen riding upon horses, all of them desirable voung men.
 - 13. Then I saw that she was defiled, that they took both one way.
- 14. And that
- she increased her whoredoms: for when she saw men portrayed upon
- the wall, the images of the Chaldeans portrayed with vermilion,
 - 15. Girded with girdles upon their loins, exceeding in dyed attire upon their heads, all of them princes to look to.

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after the manner of the Babylonians of Chaldea, the land of their nativity:

16 **And** as soon as she saw them with her eyes.

she doted upon them, and sent messengers

unto them into Chaldea.

17. And the Babylonians

17. And the Babylonians came to her into the bed of love,

and they

defiled her with their whoredom, and

she was polluted with them,

and her mind was

■ 18. So she discovered her whoredoms.

and discovered her

nakedness: then my mind was alienated from her. like

GS my mind was alienated from her sister.

19. Yet she multiplied her

whoredoms, in calling to remembrance the days of her youth, wherein she had played the harlot in the land of Egypt.

20. For she doted upon their paramours, whose flesh is
 as the flesh of asses.

and whose issue is like

the issue of horses.

21. Thus thou calledst to remembrance the
 lewdness of thy youth, in

bruising thy teats by the Egyptians for the paps of thy youth.

22. Therefore, O Aholibah, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,

■ I will raise up thy lovers

against thee, from whom thy mind is alienated, and I will bring them against thee on every side;

23. The Babylonians,and all the Chaldeans, Pekod,

and Shoa, and Koa, and all

the Assyrians with them: all of them desirable young men, captains and rulers, great lords and renowned, all of them riding upon horses.

24. And they shall

come against thee with chariots, wagons, and wheels, and with

an assembly of people, which shall set against thee buckler and shield and helmet round about: and I will set judgment before them.

and they shall judge
 thee according to
 their judgments.

25. And I will set my jealousy against thee, and they shall deal furiously

with thee: they shall take away thy nose and thine ears; and thy remnant shall fall by the sword: they shall take thy sons and thy daughters:

and thy residue shallbe devoured by the fire.

26. They shall alsostrip thee out of thy clothes,

and take away
thy fair

thy fair jewels.

27. Thus will I make thy lewdness to cease from thee, and thy whoredom brought from the land of Egypt: so that thou shalt not lift up thine eyes unto them, nor remember Egypt any more.

28. For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,

I will deliver thee into the hand of them whom thou hatest, into the hand of them from whom thy mind is alienated:

29. And they shall deal with thee hatefully, and shall take away all thy labour, and shall leave thee naked and bare:
 and the nakedness of

thy whoredoms shall be discovered, both thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

30. I will do these things unto thee, because thou hast gone a whoring after

the heathen, and because thou art polluted with

■ their idols.

31. Thou hast walked in the way of thy sister; therefore will I give her cup into thine hand.

32 Thus saith the Lord GOD: Thou shalt drink of thy sister's cup deep and large:

thou shalt be laughed

to scorn and had in derision: it containeth much

33. Thou shalt be

filled with drunkenness

and sorrow, with the cup of

astonishment and desolation, with the cup

of thy sister Samaria.

34. Thou shalt even drink it and suck if out, and thou shalt break the sherds thereof

and pluck off thine own breasts: for I have spoken it. saith the Lord GOD

35. Therefore thus

saith the Lord GOD:

Because thou hast

forgotten me, and cast me behind thy back, therefore bear thou also thy lewdness and thy whoredoms.

36. The LORD said moreover unto me: Son of man.

will thou judge Aholah and Aholibah? yea, declare

unto them their abominations:

37. That they have committed adultery.

and blood is in their hands, and

with their idols have they committed adultery.

and have also

■ caused their sons. whom they bare unto me.

to pass for them

through the fire, to devour them.

38. Moreover this they have done unto me:

they have defiled my

sanctuary in the same day,

and have

profaned my sabbaths.

■ 39. For when they had slain ■ their children to their idols. then they came the same day

into my sanctuary to

profane it: and.

lo, thus have they done in the midst of mine house.

40. And furthermore, that

ve have sent for men to come from far, unto whom a messenger was sent: and, lo, they came:

for whom thou didst wash thyself, paintedst thy eyes, and deckedst thyself with ornaments.

41. And satest upon a stately bed, and a table prepared before it, whereupon thou hast set mine incense and mine oil.

42. And a voice of a multitude being at ease was with her: and

with the men of the common sort were brought

Sabeans from the

wilderness, which put bracelets upon their hands, and beautiful crowns upon their heads.

43. Then said I unto her that was old in adulteries.

Will they now commit whoredoms with her. and she with them?

44. Yet they went in unto her, as they go in unto a woman that playeth the harlot; so went they in unto Aholah and unto

Aholibah, the lewd women.

45. **And the**

righteous men, they

shall judge them after the manner of adulteresses, and after the manner of women that shed blood:

because they are adulteresses, and blood is in their hands.

46. For thus saith the Lord GOD: I will bring up a company upon them, and will give them to be removed and spoiled.

47. And the company shall stone them with stones.

and dispatch them with their swords; they shall slay

their sons and their

daughters, and burn

up their houses with fire.

48. Thus will I cause

lewdness to

cease out of the land.

that all women may be taught not to do after your lewdness.

- 49. And they shall
- recompense your ■ lewdness upon you.
- and ye shall bear the sins
- of your idols: and ve shall
- know that I am the
- Lord GOD

CHAPTER 24

- 1. Again in the ninth year, in the tenth month, in the tenth day of the month.
- the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
 - 2. Son of man,
- write thee
- the name of the day, even of this same day:
- the king of Babylon set himself against Jerusalem this same day.
- 3 And utter a parable unto the rebellious house, and say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Set on
- a pot, set it on.
- and also
- pour water into it:
- 4. Gather the pieces thereof into it, even every good piece.
- the thigh, and the ■ shoulder; fill it with the
- choice bones.
- 1 5. Take the choice of
- the flock, and burn also ■ the bones under it, and
- make it boil well.
- and let them
- seethe the bones of it therein.
- 6. Wherefore thus
- | saith the Lord GOD;
- Woe to the bloody city, to
- the pot whose scum is ■ I therein, and whose scum
- is not gone out of it!
- bring it out piece by piece; let no lot fall upon it.
 - 7. For her blood is in the midst of her:

- she set it upon the top of a rock; she poured it not upon the ground. to cover it with dust: 8. That it might cause fury to come up to take vengeance: I have set her blood upon the top of a rock, that it should not be covered.
- 9 Therefore thus saith. the Lord GOD:
- Woe to the bloody city! I will even
- make the pile for fire great.
- 10. Heap on wood, kindle the fire, consume the flesh.
 - and spice it well, and
- let the bones be burned.
 - 11. Then set it empty upon the coals thereof.
 - that the brass of it may be hot, and may burn, and
- that the filthiness of it may be molten in it. that the scum of it
- may be consumed. 12. She hath wearied herself with lies. and her great scum went not forth out
 - of her; her scum shall be in the fire. 13. In thy filthiness is
- lewdness: because I have purged thee, and thou wast not purged,
- thou shalt not be purged from thy filthiness any more,
- till I have caused my fury to rest upon thee.
 - 14. I the LORD have spoken
 - it, it shall come to pass, and I will do it: I will not go back, neither
- will I spare, neither will I
 - repent; according to thy ways, and according to thy doings, shall they judge thee, saith the Lord GOD.
- 15. Also the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
 - 16. Son of man, behold.
- I take away from thee
- the desire of thine eyes with a stroke: yet neither
 - shalt thou mourn nor weep, neither

shall thy tears run down.

17. Forbear to cry.

make no mourning for the dead, bind the tire of thine head upon thee, and put on thy shoes

upon thy feet, and cover not thy lips,

and eat not the

bread of men

18. **So I spake unto the**

people in the morning: and at even my wife and at even my wife

died; and I did in the morning as I was commanded.

19. And the people

said unto me.

Wilt thou not tell us

what these things are to us, that

thou doest so?

20. Then I answered

them. The word of the LORD came unto me.

saying.

21. Speak unto the house of Israel,

Thus saith the

■ Lord GOD: Behold.

I will profane my sanctuary, the excellency of

your strength, the desire of your eyes, and that which your soul pitieth;

and your sons and your daughters whom ye have left

shall fall by the sword.

22. And ye shall do as I have done:

ye shall not cover your lips, nor eat the

bread of men.

> 23. And your tires shall be upon your heads, and your shoes upon your feet: ye shall not mourn nor weep;

■ but ye shall pine away for ■ your iniquities, and mourn one toward another.

■ 24. Thus Ezekiel is unto you

a sign: according to

all that he hath done shall ye do: and when this cometh.

■ | ye shall know that

I am the Lord GOD.

■ 25. **Also**, thou son of man, **shall it not be** in the day

when I take from them

their strength, the joy of their

glory, the desire of their eyes. and that whereupon

they set their minds. their sons and their

daughters,

26. That he that

escapeth in that day

shall come unto thee,

to cause thee to

hear it with thine ears?

27. In that day shall thy mouth be opened to him

which is escaped, and thou shalt speak, and be no more dumb:

and thou shalt be a sign

unto them; and they

shall know that

■ I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 25

1. The word of the LORD

came again unto me.

saying, 2. Son of man,

set thy face against

the Ammonites, and prophesy against them;

3. And say unto the Ammonites, Hear the word of the Lord GOD:

Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Because thou saidst.

Aha, against my

sanctuary, when it was profaned;

and against the land of

Israel, when it was desolate;

and against the house of Judah, when they

went into captivity; 4. **Behold**, therefore

I will deliver thee to the men

of the east for a possession,

and they shall set their palaces in thee, and

make their dwellings

in thee: they shall eat

thy fruit, and they shall

drink thy milk.

5. And I will make Rabbah

a stable for camels.

and the Ammonites a

couchingplace for flocks: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

6. For thus saith the Lord GOD:

Because thou hast clapped thine hands, and stamped with the feet, and
 rejoiced in heart with

all thy despite

■ Israel;

7. Behold, therefore

I will stretch out mine
 hand upon thee, and will

deliver thee for a spoil

to the heathen; and I will cut thee off from the people, and I will

cause thee to perish out of the countries: I will destroy thee; and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.

8. Thus saith the Lord GOD;

■ Because that

■ Moab and Seir do

Say, Behold,

the house of Judah islike unto all the heathen:

9. Therefore, behold.

■ I will open the side of

Moab from the cities, from his cities which are on his frontiers, the glory of the country, Beth–jeshimoth, Baal–meon, and Kiriathaim.

■ 10. Unto the men of the

east with the Ammonites,

■ and will

give them in possession,
 that the Ammonites
 may not be remembered
 among the nations.

11. And I will execute judgments upon Moab; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

12. Thus saith the Lord GOD;

■ Because that

Edom hath dealt

against the house ofJudah by taking

vengeance, and hath greatly offended, and revenged himself upon them;

13. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD;

■ I will also

stretch out mine hand

upon Edom, and will

cut off man and beast

from it; and I will make it

desolate from Teman; and they of Dedan shall fall by the sword. 14. **And I will lay my**

vengeance upon Edom
 by the hand of my people

 Israel: and they shall do in Edom according to mine anger and according to my fury;

and they shall know my
 vengeance, saith the Lord GOD.
 15. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Because the Philistines

have dealt by revenge, and have

taken vengeance with a despiteful heart, to

destroy it for the old hatred;

the Lord GOD; Behold,

I will stretch out mine hand upon the Philistines, and I will cut off the Cherethims.

and destroy the remnant

of the sea coast.

■ 17. **And** I will

execute great vengeance

upon them with furious rebukes; and they shall know that

I am the LORD, when I shall lay my vengeance upon them.

CHAPTER 26

And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first day of the month, that

the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2. Son of man,

■ because that

Tyrus hath said against
Jerusalem, Aha, she

is broken that was the gates of the people: she is turned unto me: I shall be replenished, now

she is laid waste:

3. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold,

■ I am against thee, O Tyrus,

and will cause many

nations to come up

against thee, as the sea causeth his waves to come up.

4. And they shall destroy

the walls of Tyrus, and

break down her towers:

I will also scrape

her dust from her.

and make her like the top of a rock.

5. It shall be a place for the spreading of nets in the midst of the sea; for L have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD:

- and it shall become a spoil to the nations.
- 6. And her

daughters which are in the field

shall be slain by the sword; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

> 7 For thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar king

of Babylon, a king of kings, from the north, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

8. He shall slay with the sword thy daughters in the field; and he shall make a fort against thee, and cast a mount against thee, and lift up the buckler against thee.

9. And he shall set engines of war against thy walls. and with his axes he shall break down thy towers.

10. By reason of the abundance of his horses their dust shall cover thee: thy walls shall shake at the noise of the horsemen, and of the wheels, and of the chariots, when he shall enter into thy gates, as men enter into a city wherein is made a breach.

11. With the hoofs of his horses shall he tread down all thy streets:

he shall slay thy people by the sword, and thy strong garrisons shall go down to the ground.

■ 12. And they

■ shall make a spoil of thy riches, and make a prey of thy merchandise: and they shall break down thy walls, and destroy thy pleasant houses: and they

shall lay thy stones and thy timber and thy dust

in the midst of the water.

13. And I will cause the noise of thy songs to cease:

and the sound of

thy harps shall be no more heard.

> 14. And I will make thee like the top of a rock: thou shalt be a place to spread nets upon; thou shalt be built no more: for I the LORD have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

15. Thus saith the Lord GOD to Tyrus; Shall not the isles shake at the sound of thy fall, when the wounded cry, when the slaughter is made in the midst of thee?

16. Then all the princes of the sea shall come down from their thrones.

and lay away their robes,

and put off their broidered garments: they shall clothe themselves with trembling; they

shall sit upon the ground, and shall tremble at every moment, and be astonished at thee.

17. And they shall take up a lamentation for thee, and sav to thee. How art thou destroyed, that wast inhabited of seafaring men. the renowned city, which wast strong in the sea, she and her inhabitants, which cause their terror to be on all that haunt it! 18. Now shall the isles tremble in the day of thy fall; yea, the isles that are in the sea shall be troubled at thy departure.

19. For thus saith the Lord GOD:

When I shall make thee a desolate city, like the cities that are not inhabited; when

I shall bring up the

deep upon thee,

and great waters shall cover thee;

20. When I shall bring thee

down with them that descend

into the pit, with the people of old time.

and shall

set thee in the low parts of

- the earth, in places desolate of old, with them that go down to the pit,
- that thou be not inhabited; and I shall set glory in
- the land of the living;
- 21. I will make thee a
- terror, and thou shalt be no
 - more: though thou be sought for, yet shalt thou never be found again, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 27

- | 1. The word of the LORD
- came again unto me,
- ∎¦ saying,
 - 2. Now, thou son of man.
- take up a lamentation for Tyrus:
- 3. And say unto Tyrus, O
- thou that art situate at the entry of the sea, which art a
 - merchant of the people for many isles. Thus saith the Lord GOD;
- O Tyrus, thou hast said,
- I *am* of perfect beauty.
 - Thy borders are in the midst of the seas.
- thy builders have
- perfected thy beauty.
- 5. They have made all thyship boards of fir
- I trees of Senir:
- they have taken
 - | cedars from Lebanon
- to make masts for thee.
- 6. Of the oaks of Bashan have
- they made thine
- OGIS; the company of the Ashurites have made
- thy benches of ivory.
- brought out of the isles of
- Chittim.
- 7. Fine linen with broidered work
- from Egypt was that which thou spreadest forth
- to be thy sail; blue and purple from the isles of Elishah was that which covered thee.
- 8. The inhabitants of Zidon and Arvad were thy
- mariners: thy wise men.
 - O Tyrus, that were in thee,
 - were thy pilots.

- 9. The ancients of Gebal and the wise *men* thereof were in thee thy calkers:
- all the ships of the
- **sea** with their mariners
- were in thee to occupy thy merchandise.
- 10. They of Persia and of
- Lud and of
- Phut were in thine army.

thy men of war: they hanged the shield and helmet in thee; they set forth thy comeliness.

- 11. The men of Arvad with thine army were upon thy walls round about, and the Gammadims
- were in thy towers: they hanged their shields upon thy walls round about; they have made thy beauty perfect.
- 12. Tarshish was thy merchant by
- reason of the multitude of all kind of riches;

with silver, iron, tin, and lead, they traded in thy fairs.

- 13. Javan, Tubal, and Meshech, they
- were thy merchants: they
- traded the persons of
- men and vessels of brass in thy market.
- 14. They of the house of Togarmah
- **traded** in thy fairs with
- horses and horsemen and mules.
- 15. The men of Dedan were thy merchants; many isles were the merchandise of thine hand: they
- brought thee for a present horns of ivory and ebony.
- 16. Syria was thy
- merchant by reason of the multitude of the
 - **Wares** of thy making: they occupied in thy fairs with emeralds, purple, and broidered work, and fine linen, and coral, and agate.
- 17. **Judah, and** the land of
- **ISTOE**, they were thy merchants: they
- traded in thy market wheat of Minnith.

and Pannaa, and honey, and oil, and balm. ■ 18. Damascus was thy merchant in the multitude of the wares of thy making. for the multitude of all riches: wine of Helbon and white wool. 19 Dan also and Javan going to and fro occupied in thy fairs: bright iron. cassia, and calamus. were in thy market. 20. **Dedan** was thy merchant in precious clothes for chariots. 21. Arabia, and all the princes of Kedar, they occupied with thee in lambs, and rams, and aoats: in these were they thy merchants. 22. The merchants of Sheba and Raamah, they were thy merchants: they ■ occupied in thy fairs with chief of all spices, and with all precious stones, and gold. 23. Haran, and Canneh, and Eden. the merchants of Sheba. Asshur, and Chilmad. ■ were thy merchants. 24. These were thy merchants in all sorts of things. ■ in blue clothes, and ■ broidered work, and in chests of rich apparel. bound with cords, and made of

cedar, among thy merchandise.

25. The ships of Tarshish ■ did sing of thee in thy

market: and thou

wast replenished, and

made verv

alorious in the midst of the seas.

> 26. Thy rowers have brought thee into great waters:

the east wind hath broken thee in the midst of the seas. 27. Thy riches.

and thy fairs, thy

merchandise, thy mariners, and thy pilots, thy calkers, and the occupiers of thy merchandise, and all thy men of war, that are in thee,

and in

all thy company which is in the midst of thee shall fall into the midst of the seas in the day of thy ruin. 28. The suburbs shall

shake at the sound of the cry of thy pilots.

29. And all that handle the oar. the mariners, and all the pilots of the sea, shall come down from their ships, they shall stand upon the land:

30. And shall cause their voice to be heard against thee, and shall cry bitterly, and shall cast up dust upon their heads, they

shall wallow themselves in the ashes: 31. And they shall

make themselves utterly bald for thee, and gird them with sackcloth, and they shall weep for thee with bitterness of heart and

bitter wailing.

32. And in their wailing they shall take up

a lamentation for **thee**, and lament over thee.

saying, What city is like Tyrus, like the

destroyed in the midst of the sea?

33. When thy wares went forth out of the seas, thou filledst many people;

thou didst enrich the kings of the earth with the multitude of thy riches and of thy

merchandise.

34. In the time when thou shalt be broken by the seas in the depths of the waters thy merchandise and all thy company in the midst of thee shall fall.

- 35. All the inhabitants
 of the isles shall be
- astonished at thee,
- and their kings shall be sore
 - in their countenance.
- 36. The merchants
- among the people
- shall hiss at thee;
 - thou shalt be a terror.
- and never *shalf* be any more.

CHAPTER 28

- | 1. The word of the LORD
 - came again unto me,
 - saying,
 - 2. Son of man,
- say unto the prince of
- Tyrus. Thus saith the Lord GOD;
- Because thine heart is lifted up, and thou hast
- **said, I** am a God, I sit in the seat of God, in the midst of the seas:
- yet thou art a man, and not God, though thou set thine heart as the heart of God:
- 3. Behold, thou art
- wiser than Daniel; there is
- no secret that they
- can hide from thee:
- 4. With thy wisdom
- and with thine
- understanding thou
- hast gotten thee
- riches, and hast gotten gold and silver into thy treasures:
 - 5. By thy great wisdom and by thy traffic hast thou increased thy riches,
- and thine heart is lifted
- up because of thy riches:
 - 6. **Therefore** thus saith the Lord GOD;
- Because thou hast set thine heart as the heart of
- God;
 - 7. Behold, therefore
- I will bring strangers upon
 thee, the terrible of the nations:
- and they shall draw their
 - swords against the beauty of thy wisdom,

- | and they shall
- defile thy brightness.
- 8. They shall bring thee down to the pit, and
- thou shalt die the deaths
- of them that are
- slain in the midst of
- the seas.
- 9. Wilt thou yet say before him that slaveth thee.
- I am God? but thou shalt be a man, and no God, in the hand of him that slaveth thee.
- 10. Thou shalf die the deaths of the uncircumcised
- **by the hand of strangers**: for I have spoken *it*, saith the Lord GOD.
 - 11. Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying.
- 12. Son of man, take up ■ a lamentation upon the
- king of Tyrus, and say
- unto him. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

 Thou sealest up the sum,
- full of wisdom, and perfect in beauty.
- 13. Thou hast been in
- Eden the garden of God;
 every precious stone was
- thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in
- the day that thou wast created.

 14. Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and
 - I have set thee so:
- thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou

hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire.

- 15. Thou wast
 perfect in thy wa
 - **perfect** in thy ways from the day that thou wast created,
- till iniquity was found in thee.
 - 16. By the multitude of thy merchandise
- they have filled the midst of
 - thee with violence, and
 - thou hast sinned: therefore

I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of

■ God: and I will destroy thee. O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire.

■ 17 Thine heart was lifted

up because of thy

beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness:

I will cast thee to the

around. I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee.

18. Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries

by the multitude of

thine iniquities, by the

iniquity of thy traffic: ■ | therefore will I bring forth

a fire from the midst of ■ thee, it shall devour ■ I thee, and I will bring

■ thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them

that behold thee.

19. All they that know thee among the people shall be astonished at thee: thou shalt be a terror.

and never shall thou ■ be any more.

20. Again the word of the LORD came unto me.

saying,

21. Son of man.

set thy face against Zidon,

and prophesy against it, 22. And say, Thus saith

the Lord GOD: Behold,

I am against thee. O Zidon; and I will be

glorified in the midst of thee: and they shall know

that I am the LORD.

when I shall

have executed **■**1 judgments in her.

and shall be sanctified in her.

23. For I will send into her

pestilence, and blood into her streets; and the wounded shall be judged in the midst of her by the sword upon her on every side:

and they shall know that

I am the LORD.

24. And there shall be no more a pricking

■ I brier unto the house of

Israel, nor any grieving thorn of all that are round about them, that despised them; and they shall know that I am the Lord GOD. 25. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

When I shall

have gathered the house of

Israel from the people among whom they are

scattered, and shall be sanctified in them

in the sight of the heathen.

then shall they dwell in their land that I have

given to my servant Jacob.

26. And they shall

dwell safely therein.

and shall build houses, and plant vineyards; yea, they shall dwell

with confidence, when I

have executed

■ Ì iudaments upon all

those that despise

■ I them round about them:

and they shall know that

■ I am the LORD their God.

CHAPTER 29

1. In the tenth year, in the tenth month, in the twelfth day of the month,

the word of the

LORD came unto me.

saying,

2. Son of man,

set thy face against

Pharaoh king of Egypt, and prophesy against

him, and against all Egypt:

3. Speak, and say,

Thus saith the

Lord GOD; Behold,

I *am* against thee, Pharaoh king of Egypt, the great dragon that

lieth in the midst of his rivers.

which hath said, My

river is mine own, and

I have made it for myself.

4. But I will put hooks in thy

jaws, and I will cause

the fish of thy rivers to

stick unto thy scales, and I will bring thee up ■ out of the midst of thy rivers, and all the fish of thy rivers

shall stick unto thy scales.

5 And I will leave thee thrown into the wilderness, thee

and all

the fish of thy rivers: thou shalt fall upon the open fields: thou shalt not be brought together, nor gathered:

I have given thee for meat

to the beasts of the field and to the

fowls of the heaven.

6. And all the inhabitants of Egypt shall know that I am the LORD, because they have been a staff

of reed to the house of Israel.

> 7. When they took hold of thee by thy hand, thou didst break, and rend all their shoulder; and when they leaned upon thee, thou brakest, and madest all their loins to be at a stand.

8. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

I will bring a sword upon thee, and cut off man and beast out of thee.

9. And the land of

Egypt shall be desolate and waste: and they shall know that I am the LORD:

because he hath said.

The river is mine, and I have made it.

> 10. Behold, therefore I am against thee, and against thy rivers, and I will make the land of Egypt utterly waste and desolate, from the tower of Svene even unto the border of Ethiopia.

11. No foot of man

■ shall pass through it, nor foot of beast shall pass through it.

neither shall it be inhabited forty years.

12. And I will make the land of Egypt desolate in the midst of the countries that are desolate, and her cities

among the cities that are laid waste shall be desolate forty years:

and I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and will disperse

them through the countries. 13. Yet thus saith the Lord GOD:

At the end of forty years

will I gather the

Eavofians from the people whither they were scattered:

14. And I will bring again the captivity of Egypt.

and will cause them to return into the land of Pathros

into the land of their habitation; and they shall

be there a base kingdom. 15 It shall be the

basest of the kingdoms; neither shall it exalt itself any more above the nations: for I will diminish them, that they shall no more rule over the nations. 16. **And** it

shall be no more the confidence of the house of Israel, which bringeth their iniquity to remembrance.

when they shall look after them; but they shall know that I am the Lord GOD. 17. **And** it came to pass

in the seven and twentieth year, in the first month, in the first day of the month, the word of

the LORD came unto me. sayina.

18. Son of man.

Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army

to serve a great service against Tyrus: every

head was made bald, and every shoulder was peeled:

yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it:

19. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

I will give the land of

Egypt unto

Nebuchadrezzar

king of Babylon:

and he shall take her

multitude, and take

her spoil, and take her prev:

and it shall be the wages for his army.

20. I have given him the land of Egypt for his labour wherewith he served against it,

because they wrought for me, saith the Lord GOD.

■ 21. In that day will I

cause the horn of the house of

Israel to bud forth, and I will give thee the opening of the mouth in the midst of them:

and they shall know l ■ I that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 30

■ 1 1. The word of the LORD

came again unto me. saying,

> 2. Son of man, prophesy and say. Thus saith the Lord GOD: Howl ve. Woe worth the day!

3. For the day is near, even the day

of the LORD is

near, a cloudy day;

it shall be the time

of the heathen.

4. And the sword shall come upon Egypt.

and great pain shall be

in Ethiopia, when the slain shall fall in Egypt, and they shall take away her multitude, and her foundations shall be broken down.

5. Ethiopia, and Libva, and Lydia, and all the mingled people, and Chub,

and the men of the land that is in league, shall fall

with them by the sword.

6. Thus saith the LORD;

They also that uphold Egypt shall fall; and the pride of her power shall come down: from the tower of Syene shall they fall in it by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

7. And they shall be

desolate in the midst of the

countries that are desolate. and her cities shall be in the midsLof the cities that are

wasted.

8. And they shall know that I am the LORD, when I have set a fire in Egypt, and when all her helpers shall be destroyed.

9. In that day shall

messengers go forth from me in ships to make the careless Ethiopians afraid, and great pain shall come upon them, as in

the day of Egypt; for, lo, it cometh. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

I will also make the

multitude of Egypt to

cease by the hand of

Nebuchadrezzar

king of Babylon.

11. **He** and his people with him, the terrible of the nations,

shall be brought to

destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

12. And I will make the rivers dry, and sell the

land into the hand of the wicked: and I will

make the land waste, and all that is therein, by the hand of strangers: I the LORD have spoken it.

13. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

I will also destroy the

idols, and I will cause their images to cease out of Noph; and there shall be no

more a prince of the land

of Egypt: and

I will put a fear in the

land of Egypt.

14. And I will make Pathros desolate. and will set fire in Zoan, and will execute judgments in No.

15. And I will pour my fury upon Sin, the strength of Egypt; and I will cut off the multitude of No.

16. And I will set fire in

Egypt: Sin shall have great pain, and No shall be rent asunder, and Noph shall have distresses daily.

17. The young men

of Aven and of Pi-beseth shall fall by the sword: and these cities shall go into captivity. 18. At Tehaphnehes also the

day shall be darkened, when

I shall break there

the yokes of Egypt:

and the pomp of

her strength shall

cease in her; as for her.

a cloud shall cover her, and her daughters shall go into captivity.

> 19. Thus will I execute judgments in Egypt:

and they shall know that I am the LORD.

20. And it came to pass in the eleventh year, in the first month, in the seventh day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, savino.

21. Son of man, I have broken the arm of

Pharaoh king of Egypt;

and, lo.

it shall not be bound up to be healed, to put a roller to bind it. to make it strong to hold the sword. 22. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

I am against

Pharaoh king of Egypt,

and will break

his arms, the strong. and that which was broken:

and I will cause the sword to fall out of his hand.

23. And I will scatter the Egyptians among the

nations, and will disperse them through the countries.

24. And I will strengthen

the arms of the king of Babylon, and put my

sword in his hand; but I will break Pharaoh's arms, and he shall groan before him with the groanings of a deadly wounded man.

25. But I will strengthen the arms of the king of Babylon, and the arms of Pharaoh shall fall down; and they shall know that I am the LORD, when I shall put my sword into the hand of the king of Babylon.

and he shall stretch it

out upon the land of

Eaypt.

26. And I will scatter the Egyptians among the nations, and disperse them among the countries; and they shall know that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 31

 And it came to pass in the eleventh. year, in the third month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saving,

2. Son of man, speak

unto Pharaoh king of Egypt, and to his multitude: Whom

art thou like in the

areatness?

3. Behold, the Assyrian was a cedar in Lebanon with fair

branches, and with a shadowing shroud, and of an high stature; and his top was among the thick boughs.

 The waters made him great, the deep set him up on high with her rivers running round about his plants, and sent her little rivers unto all the trees of the field.

5. Therefore

his height was exalted above all the trees of the field, and his boughs were multiplied, and his branches became long because of the multitude of waters, when he shot forth.

All the fowls of heaven made their nests in

his boughs, and under his branches did all the beasts of the field bring forth their young.

and under his shadow dwelt all great nations.

7. Thus was he fair in his greatness, in the

length of his branches:

for his root was by great waters.

> 8. The cedars in the garden of God could not hide him: the fir trees were not like his boughs, and the chestnut trees were not like his branches; nor

any tree in the garden of God was like unto him in his beauty.

- 9. I have made him fair by the multitude of his branches; so that all the trees of Eden, that were in the garden of God, envied him.
- 10 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Because thou hast lifted up thyself in height, and he hath shot up his top among the thick boughs.

and his heart is lifted up in his height; 11. I have therefore

delivered him into the

hand of the mighty one of the heathen; he shall surely deal with him:

I have driven him out for his wickedness.

12. And strangers. the terrible of the nations.

have cut him off, and have left him: upon the mountains and in all the valleys

■ I his branches are fallen. and his

boughs are broken by all the rivers of the land:

and all the people of the earth are gone down

from his shadow, and have left him.

13. Upon his ruin shall all the fowls of the heaven

remain, and all the beasts of the field shall be upon his branches: 14. To the end that none

of all the trees by the waters exalt themselves for their height, neither shoot up their top among the thick boughs, neither their trees stand up in their height, all that drink water:

for they are all delivered unto death, to the nether

parts of the earth, in the midst of the children of men.

■ with them that go ■ down to the pit. 15. Thus saith the

Lord GOD: In the day

when he went down to the grave I caused a mourning: I covered the deep for him.

and I

restrained the floods thereof. ■I and the great waters were stayed:

and (

caused Lebanon to

mourn for him, and all the trees of the field fainted for him

16. I made the nations to shake at the sound of his fall.

when I cast him

down to hell with them that descend into the pit:

and all

the trees of Eden the choice and best of Lebanon. all that drink water.

shall be comforted in the nether parts of the earth.

17. They also went down into hell with him unto them. that be slain with the sword: and they that were his arm.

that dwelt under his shadow in the midst

of the heathen. 18. To whom art thou thus

like in glory and in greatness among the trees of Eden?

vet shalt thou be brought down with the trees of Eden

unto the nether parts of the

earth: thou shalt lie in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that be slain by the sword.

This is Pharaoh and all his multitude.

saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 32

 And it came to pass in the twelfth year, in the twelfth month, in the first day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2 Son of man, take up

a lamentation for Pharaoh king of Egypt,

and say unto him,

Thou *art* like a young

lion of the nations.

and thou art

as a whale in the seas: and

|■| thou camest

forth with thy rivers.

and troubledst the waters with thy feet, and fouledst their rivers.

3. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

■ I will therefore spread out ■ I my net over thee with a

company of many people;

and they shall bring thee up in my net.

4 Then will I leave thee upon the land.

I will cast thee forth upon

the open field, and will couse all

the fowls of the heaven

to remain upon

thee, and I will fill

the beasts of the whole earth with thee.

5. And I will lay thy flesh upon the mountains, and

fill the valleys with thy height.

6. I will also water with thy blood the land wherein thou swimmest, even to the mountains: and the rivers shall be full of thee

And when I shall put thee out, I will

cover the heaven, and make

the stars thereof dark: 1 will cover

the sun with a cloud. and the moon shall

not give her light.

8. All the bright lights of heaven

will I make dark over thee. and set darkness upon thy land. saith the Lord GOD

9. I will also vex the hearts of many people, when I shall bring thy destruction

among the nations, into the countries which thou hast not known.

10. Yea. I will make many people amazed at thee, and

their kings shall be

horribly afraid for thee, when I shall brandish my sword before them; and they shall tremble at every moment, every man for his own life.

in the day of thy fall.

11. For thus saith the Lord GOD: The sword of the kina

of Babylon shall come

upon thee.

12. By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them; and

they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude

thereof shall be destroyed.

13. I will destroy also all

the beasts thereof from

beside the great

waters: neither shall the foot of

man trouble them any more.

nor the hoofs of beasts trouble them.

14 Then will I make their. waters deep, and cause their rivers to run like oil.

saith the Lord GOD

15 When I shall

make the land of

Egypt desolate, and the country shall be destitute of that whereof it was full, when I shall smite all them that dwell therein.

then shall they know that I am the LORD.

16. This is the lamentation wherewith they shall lament her: the daughters of

the nations shall lament

her: they shall lament for her, even for Egypt, and for all her multitude. saith the Lord GOD.

17. It came to pass also in the twelfth year, in the fifteenth day of the month, that the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

18. Son of man.

wail for the multitude of Eaypt, and cast them

down, even her, and the daughters of the famous nations. unto the nether parts of the earth.

with them that ao down into the pit.

19. Whom dost thou pass in beauty?

go down, and be thou laid

with the uncircumcised.

20. They shall fall in the midst of them that are slain. by the sword: she is

delivered to the sword: draw her and all her multitudes.

21. **The strong** among the mighty

shall speak to him

out of the midst of

■ hell with them that help

■ him: they are gone down, they lie uncircumcised, slain by the sword.

22. Asshur is there and all her company; his graves are about him: all of them slain, fallen by the sword: 23. Whose graves are set in the sides of the pit, and her company is round about her grave: all of them slain, fallen by the sword,

which caused terror ■ in the land of the living.

> 24. There is Elam and all her multitude round about her grave, all of them slain, fallen by the sword.

which are gone down uncircumcised into the nether parts of the earth, which caused their

terror in the land of the living;

yet have they borne

their shame with them that go down to the pit.

25. They have set her a bed in the midst of the

slain with all her multitude: her graves are round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword: though their terror was caused in the land of the living. vet have they borne their shame with them that go down to the pit: he is put in the midst of them that be slain.

26. There is Meshech,

Tubal, and all

her multitude: her graves are round about him: all of them uncircumcised, slain by the sword, though ■ they caused their

terror in the land of the living.

■ 27. And they shall not ■ lie with the mighty

■ that are fallen of the uncircumcised, which are

gone down to hell with their weapons of war: and they have laid

their swords under their heads, but

their iniquities shall be upon their bones, though they were the terror of the mighty in the land of the living.

28. Yea, thou shalt be

broken in the midst of the uncircumcised.

and shalt lie with them that are slain with the sword.

29. There is Edom, her kings, and all her princes, which with their might are laid by them that were

slain by the

sword: they shall lie with the uncircumcised, and with them that go down to the pit.

30. There be

the princes of the

north, all of them.

and all

the Zidonians, which are gone down with the slain: with their terror they

are ashamed of their might; and they lie uncircumcised with

them that be slain by the sword, and

bear their shame with them that go down to the pit.

31. Pharaoh shall see them, and shall be

comforted over all his multitude. even Pharaoh and all his army slain by the sword, saith the Lord GOD.

32. For I have caused my terror in the land

of the living: and

he shall be laid in the midst of the uncircumcised with them that are slain with the sword. even Pharaoh and all his multitude, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 33

■ | 1. Again the word of

the LORD came unto me. **=**1 saying,

Son of man,

speak to the children of

thy people, and say unto them,

When I bring the sword

upon a land, if the

1183 people of the land take a man of their coasts. and set him for their watchman: 3. If when he seeth the sword come upon the land. he blow the trumpet, and warn the people: 4 Then whosoever heareth the sound of the trumpet, and taketh not warning; if the sword come, and take him away, his blood shall be upon his own head. 5. He heard the sound of the trumpet, and took not warning; his blood shall be upon him. But he that taketh warning shall deliver his soul. 6. But if the watchman see the sword come, and blow not the trumpet, and the people be not warned: if the sword come, and take anv person from among them. he is taken away in his ■ i iniquity; but his blood will I require at the watchman's hand. 7. So thou. O son of man. I have set thee a watchman unto the house of Israel: therefore thou shalt hear the word at my mouth, and warn them from me. and in his sin that he hath sinned, in them. shall he die. 25. Yet ye say, The way of 8. When I say unto the Wicked O wicked man thou shalt surely die; if thou dost not speak to warn the wicked from his way. that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand. 9. Nevertheless, if thou

warn the wicked

of his way to turn from it:

■ | way, he shall die in his

if he do not turn from his

iniquity; but thou hast delivered thy soul. 10. Therefore, O thou son of man, speak unto the house of Israel; Thus ye speak, saying. If our transgressions and our sins be upon us. and we pine away in them, how should we then live? -11. Say unto them, As I live, saith the Lord GOD. I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked: but that the wicked turn from his way and live: turn ve. turn ye from your evil ways; for why will ve die. O house of Israel? 12. Therefore, thou son of man. **SQV** unto the children of thy people. The righteousness of the righteous shall not deliver him in the day of his transgression: as for the wickedness of the wicked, he shall not fall thereby in the day that he turneth from his wickedness; neither shall the righteous be able to live for his righteousness in the day that he sinneth. When I shall say to the righteous, that he shall surely live: if he trust to his own righteousness, and commit iniquity, all his righteousnesses shall not be remembered; but for his iniquity that he hath committed, he shall die for it. 14. Again, when I say unto the wicked. Thou shalt surely die; if he turn from his sin, and do that which is lawful and

riaht:

15. If the wicked restore the pledge, give again that he had robbed, walk in the statutes of life, without committing iniquity;

he shall surely live.

he shall not die.

16. None of his sins that he hath committed

shall be mentioned unto him: he hath done that which is lawful and right; he shall surely live.

17. Yet the children of

thy people say, The way of the Lord is not equal: but as for them, their

| way is not equal.

18. When the righteous turneth from his righteousness, and

committeth iniquity.

■ he shall even

■ die thereby.

■ 19. But if the wicked turn from his wickedness, and do that which is lawful and right, he shall live thereby.

20. Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel,

■ | I will judge you

every one after his ways.

21. And it came to pass in the twelfth year of our ■ | captivity, in the tenth month,

in the fifth day of the month, that

one that had escaped out of

■ Jerusalem came unto me. saying, The city is smitten.

22. Now the hand of the LORD was upon me in the evening, afore he that was escaped came; and had opened my mouth, until he came to me in the morning; and my mouth was opened, and I was no more dumb.

23. Then the word of the

■ LORD came unto me. saying,

24. Son of man,

they that inhabit

those wastes of the land of Israel speak, saying,

Abraham was one, and he inherited the land; but

we are many; the land is given us for inheritance.

25. Wherefore say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Ye eat with the blood, and lift up

■ { vour eves toward your

idols, and shed blood: and **.** I

shall ye possess the land? Ye stand upon your sword.

ve work

abomination, and ye defile every one his

■ ľ neighbour's wife: and shall ye possess the land?

27. Say thou thus unto them.

Thus saith the

Lord GOD; As I live, surely

they that are in the wastes

shall fall by the sword,

and him that is

in the open field will I give

to the beasts to be

devoured, and they that be

> in the forts and in the caves shall die

of the pestilence.

28. For I will lay the land most desolate, and the pomp of her strength shall cease;

and the mountains

of Israel shall be

desolate, that none shall pass through. 29. Then shall they know that I am the LORD, when I have

laid the land most desolate

because of all their abominations

which they have committed.

30. Also, thou son of man, the children of

thy people still are talking against thee

by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother,

saying, Come, I pray you,

and hear what is the

word that cometh forth

from the LORD.

31. And they come unto thee as the people cometh,

and they sit before

thee as my people.

and they

hear thy words, but they

will not do them: for with their mouth

they shew much

love, but their heart

goeth after their

covetousness.

32. And. lo.

thou art unto them

as a verv

lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument:

for they hear thy

■ words, but they do them not.

■ 33. And when this cometh

■ to pass, (lo. it will come.) ■ then shall they know

■ | that a prophet hath been among them.

CHAPTER 34

1. And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,

2. Son of man, prophesy

against the shepherds of

■ Israel, prophesy.

■ and say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD unto the shepherds:

Woe be to the shepherds of Israel that do feed

themselves! should not the shepherds feed the flocks?

3. Ye eat the fat, and ye clothe you with the wool, ye kill them that are fed:

but ye feed not the flock.

4. The diseased have ye

not strengthened, neither have ve healed that which was sick, neither have ye bound up that which was broken, neither have ye brought again that which was driven away,

■ neither have ye sought ■ that which was lost; but

■ with force and with

cruelty have ye ruled them.

5. And they were scattered.

because there is no

■ shepherd: and they became

meat to all the beasts of the field. when they were scattered.

6. My sheep wandered through all the mountains,

and upon every high hill: yea, my flock

was scattered upon all the face of the earth, and none did search or seek

after them.

Therefore, ye shepherds. hear the word of the LORD: 8. As I live, saith the

Lord GOD, surely

because my flock became a prev. and

my flock became meat to every beast of the field.

because there was no shepherd.

neither did my shepherds search for my flock, but the shepherds fed themselves. and fed not my flock;

9. Therefore, O ve shepherds. hear the word of the LORD:

10. Thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

1 am against the shepherds; and

I will require my flock at their hand, and

cause them to cease from feeding the flock; neither

shall the shepherds feed themselves any more:

for I will deliver my flock from their mouth, that

they may not be meat for them.

11. For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I, even

I, will both

search my sheep, and seek them out.

12. As a shepherd

seeketh out

his flock in the day that he is among his sheep that are scattered;

so will I seek out my sheep, and will

deliver them out of all places where they

have been scattered

in the cloudy and dark day.

and between the

13. And I will bring them out from the people, and gather them from the countries, and will bring them to their own land, and feed them upon the mountains of Israel by the rivers, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14. I will feed them in a good pasture, and upon the high mountains of Israel shall their fold be: there shall they lie in a good fold, and in a fat pasture shall they feed upon the mountains of Israel. 15. I will feed my flock. . and I will cause them to lie down, saith the Lord GOD. 16. I will seek that which was lost, and bring again that which was driven away, and will bind up that which was broken, and will strengthen that which was sick: but I will destroy the fat and the strong; I will feed them with judgment. 17. And as for you. O my flock, thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats. 18. Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet? 19. And as for my flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet. 20. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD unto them: Behold, I. even

I. will judge

■ | between the fat cattle

lean cattle. 21. Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ve have scattéred them abroad 22. Therefore will I save my flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle. 23. And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even my servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. 24. And I the LORD will be their God. and my servant David a prince amona them; I the LORD have spoken it. 25. And I will make with them a covenant of peace. and will cause the evil beasts. to cease out of the land: and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods. 26 And I will make them and the places round about my hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing. 27. And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the LORD, when I have broken the bands of their voke, and delivered them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them. 28. And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them: but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid.

- 29. And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and
- they shall be
- no more consumed with
- hunger in the land,
- neither bear the
- shame of the heathen any more.
- 30. Thus shall they know that
- I the LORD their God
- am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are my people, saith the Lord GOD.
- 31. And ye my flock,
- the flock of my pasture,
- are men, and I am your
- God, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 35

- Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- 2 Son of man, set thy
- face against mount
 Seir, and prophesy against it.
- 3. And say unto it, Thus saith the
- Lord GOD; Behold, O mount Seir,

 I am against thee, and I will
- stretch out mine hand against thee,
 and I will make thee most
- and I will make thee most desolate.
 - I will lay thy cities waste, and thou shalt be desolate, and thou shalt know that I am the LORD.
- 5. Because thou hast had
 a perpetual hatred, and
 hast shed the blood of the children
- of Israel by the force of the sword
- in the time of
- their calamity, in the time that their iniquity had an end:
- 6. **Therefore**, as I live, saith the Lord GOD.
- I will prepare thee
- unto blood, and
- blood shall pursue
 - thee: sith thou hast not hated blood, even blood shall pursue thee.
- 7. Thus will I make
- mount Seir most
- desolate, and cut off from it him that passeth out and him that returneth.
- 8. And I will
- I fill his mountains with his

- **slain** *men*: in thy hills, and in thy valleys, and in all thy rivers, shall they fall that are slain with the sword.
- I will make thee perpetual desolations, and thy cities shall not return: and ye shall know that I am the LORD.
- 10. Because thou hast
 said, These two nations
 and these two countries
- shall be mine, and we will possess it; whereas the LORD was there:
- 11. Therefore, as I live,saith the Lord GOD,

I will even do according to thine anger, and according to thine envy which thou hast used out of thy hatred against them; and

- I will make myself known among them,
- when I have judged thee.
 - 12. And thou shalt know that I am the LORD, and that
- I have heard all thy blasphemies

which thou hast spoken

- against the mountains of Israel, saying, They are laid
- desolate, they aregiven us to consume.
 - 13. **Thus** with your mouth ve have boasted against
- **me**, and have multiplied your words against me: I have heard *them*.
 - 14. Thus saith the Lord GOD;
- When the whole earth rejoiceth, I will make thee desolate.
- 15. As thou didst
- rejoice at the inheritance of the house of
 - Israel, because it was
- desolate, so will I do unto thee:
 - thou shalt be desolate.

O mount Seir, and all Idumea, even all of it: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 36

- 1. Also, thou son of man,
 - prophesy unto the
- mountains of Israel,

- and say, Ye mountains of Israel, hear the word of the LORD:
- 2. Thus saith the Lord GOD: Because the enemy
- hath said against you.
- Aha, even the ancient
- high places are
- **OUIS** in possession:
 - Therefore prophesy and say. Thus saith the Lord GOD;
- Because they have made you desolate, and swallowed you up on every side,
- that ve might be a possession unto the residue of the heathen, and ye are taken up in the lips of talkers,

and are an infamy of the people:

4. Therefore, ve mountains of Israel, hear the word of the Lord GOD: Thus saith the Lord GOD to the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys, to the desolate wastes, and to the cities that are forsaken, which became a

prev and derision to the residue of

- the heathen that are round about: 5. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD: Surely ■ in the fire of my lealousy
- have I spoken against
- the residue of the
- heathen, and against all Idumea.
- which have
- appointed my land into
- their possession with the joy of all their heart, with despiteful minds, to cast it out for a prev.
- 6. Prophesy therefore concerning the land of Israel, and say unto the mountains, and to the hills, to the rivers, and to the valleys. Thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I have spoken in my jealousy and in my fury,
- | because ye have borne the shame of the heathen:
 - 7. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD:
- I have lifted up mine
- hand, Surely
- the heathen that are about you, they
 - shall bear their shame.

- 8. But ye, O mountains of
- Israel, ve
- shall shoot forth your branches, and yield your
- fruit to my people of Israel; for they are at hand to come.
 - 9. For behold, I am for you. and I will turn unto you, and
- ye shall be tilled and sown:
- **-** 1 10. And I will multiply men
- upon you, all the house of Israel, even all of it:
- and the cities shall be inhabited, and
- the wastes shall be
- builded:
 - 11. And I will multiply upon you man and beast; and they shall increase and bring fruit: and I will settle you after your old estates, and will
- do better unto you than at your beginnings: and ve shall know that I am the LORD.
- 12. Yea. I will cause
- men to walk upon you, even my people Israel;
- and they shall
- possess thee and thou shalt be their inheritance. and thou shalt no more hence. forth bereave them of men. Thus saith the Lord GOD:
 - Because they say unto you.
- Thou land devourest up
- men, and hast
- bereaved thy
- nations:
- 14. Therefore thou
- shalt devour men
- no more, neither
- bereave thy
- nations any more.
- saith the Lord GOD.
- 15. Neither will I cause
- men to
- hear in thee the shame
- of the heathen any more.
- neither shalt thou bear the
- reproach of the people
- any more, neither
 - shalf thou cause thy
 - nations to fall any more,

sanctify my great

and the heathen

shall know that

saith the Lord GOD

when I shall be

sanctified in you

■ I am the LORD.

name, which was profaned

profaned in the midst of them;

among the heathen, which ye have

saith the Lord GOD. 16. Moreover the word of the LORD came unto me, saving. 17. Son of man. when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. 18. Wherefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it: 19. And I scattered them amona the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them. 20. And when they entered unto the **heathen**, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them. These are the people of the LORD. and are gone forth out of his land. 21. But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went. 22. Therefore say unto the house of Israel, thus saith the Lord GOD: ■ I do not this for your sakes. O house of Israel. but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. 23. And I will

24. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries. and will bring you into your own land. 25. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. 26. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within YOU: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. 27. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. 28. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God. 29. I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn. and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you. 30. And I will multiply the fruit of the tree. and the increase of the field, that ye shall receive no more reproach of famine among the heathen. 31. Then shall ye remember your own evil ways, and your doings that were not good. and shall lothe yourselves in your own sight for your iniquities and for your abominations. 32. Not for your sakes do I this, saith the Lord GOD, be it known unto vou: be ashamed and confounded for your own ways. O house of Israel. 33. Thus saith the Lord GOD: In the day that I shall

before their eyes.

have cleansed you

from all your iniquities

I will also

cause you to dwell

in the cities, and the wastes shall be builded.

34. And the desolate land shall be tilled.

whereas it lay desolate in the sight of all that passed by.

35. And they shall say, This land that was

■ desolate is become

■ like the garden of Eden;

and the waste and desolate and

■ ruined cities are

become fenced, and are

■ inhabited.

36. Then the heathen

that are left round about you shall know that I the LORD

build the ruined places, and plant that that was desolate: I

the LORD have spoken it, and I

■ | will do it.

■ 37. **Thus** saith the Lord GOD:

■ I will yet for this

be inquired of by the house of

■ Israel, to do it for them:

I will increase them

with men like a flock.

38. As the holy flock, as the flock of Jerusalem in her solemn feasts; so shall the waste cities be filled with flocks of men:

and they shall know

■ that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 37

■ 1 1. The hand of the

LORD was upon me, and

■ | carried me out

■ in the spirit of the LORD,

■ I and set me down

in the midst of the

■ valley which was

full of bones.

2. And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley;

and. lo.

they were very dry.

3. And he said unto me.

Son of man, can these bones live? And I

answered. O Lord GOD.

thou knowest.

4. Again he said unto me, Prophesy upon these

bones, and say unto them,

O ve dry bones, hear the word of the LORD. •

Thus saith the Lord GOD unto these bones: Behold.

I will cause breath

to enter into

you, and ye shall live:

6. And I will lay sinews

upon you, and will

bring up

flesh upon you, and cover

you with skin, and put

breath in you, and ye shall live; and ye shall know that I am the LORD.

7. So I prophesied as I was commanded:

and as I prophesied.

there was a noise.

and behold

a shaking, and the bones came together,

bone to his bone.

8. And when I beheld, lo.

the sinews and the

flesh came up

upon them, and the

skin covered them above:

but there was no

breath in them.

Then said he unto

me, Prophesy unto

the wind, prophesy, son of man, and say to the wind,

Thus saith the Lord GOD; Come

from the four winds, O breath, and

breathe upon these

slain, that they may live.

10. So I prophesied as he commanded me,

and the breath came

into them, and they lived,

and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army. **=** i

11. Then he said unto me. Son of man,

these bones are the whole

house of Israel: behold. they say. Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts. 12. Therefore prophesy and say unto them. Thus saith the

Lord GOD: Behold, O my people.

I will open your

graves, and cause you to come up out of your graves.

and bring you into the land of Israel.

13. And ye shall know that I am the LORD, when I

have opened your graves. O my people, and brought you up out of your graves. 14. And shall

put my spirit in you, and ye shall live, and I shall place you in your own land: then shall ve know that I the LORD have spoken it. and performed it, saith the LORD.

15. The word of the LORD

came again unto me. saying.

16. Moreover, thou son of man.

take thee

one stick, and write upon it, For Judah,

and for the children of

Israel his companions:

then take another

stick, and write upon it. For Joseph, the stick of

Ephraim and for all the house of

Israel his companions:

17. And join them one to another into one stick; and they

shall become

one in thine hand

18. And when the children of

thy people shall speak unto thee.

saying. Wilt thou not shew us

what thou

meanest by

these?

19. Say unto them. Thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold.

I will take the stick of

Joseph, which is in the

hand of Ephraim, and the tribes of Israel his fellows. and will put them with him. even with the stick of Judah, and make them one stick, and they shall be one in mine hand.

20. And the sticks whereon thou writest shall be in thine hand before their eyes.

21. And say unto them.

Thus saith the Lord GOD: Behold. I will take the children of

Israel from among the

heathen, whither they be gone. and will gather them on every side.

and bring them into their own land:

22. And I will make them one nation in the land upon the mountains of Israel:

and one king shall be king to them all:

and they shall be no more two nations, neither shall they be divided into two kingdoms

any more at all.

23. Neither shall they defile themselves any more

with their

idols, nor with their detestable things, nor with any of their transgressions: but I will save them out of all their dwellingplaces,

wherein they have sinned. and will cleanse them: so shall they be my people. and I will be their God.

24. And David my servant shall be king over

them; and they all shall have one shepherd: they shall also

walk in my judgments, and observe my

statutes, and do them.

25. And they shall dwell in the land that I have given unto Jacob my servant, wherein

your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their

children's children for ever:

and my servant

David shall be

their prince for ever.

26. Moreover I will make

a covenant of peace

with them: it shall be

an everlastina

covenant with them:

and I will place them, and

multiply them, and will set my sanctuary in the

midst of them for evermore. 27. My tabernacle also shall be

with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

■ 28. And the heathen

shall know that I the ■ LORD do sanctify Israel.

when my sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

CHAPTER 38

- 1 1. And the word of the LORD came unto me, savina,
 - 2. Son of man.
 - set thy face against

■ Gog, the land of Magog, the chief prince of Meshech

■ and Tubal, and prophesy against him,

■ 3. And say, Thus saith

■ the Lord GOD: Behold.

I *am* against thee, O ■ Gog, the chief prince of

Meshech and Tubal:

■ 4. And I will turn thee

back, and put hooks

into thy jaws, and I will bring thee forth, and all thine

army, horses and horsemen, all of them clothed with all sorts of armour, even a great company with bucklers and shields, all of them handling swords:

■ 5. Persia, Ethiopia, and ■ Libya with them; all of

them with shield and helmet:

6. Gomer, and all his bands: the house of

Togarmah of the north quarters, and all his bands:

and many people with thee.

Be thou prepared, and prepare for thyself, thou, and all thy company that are assembled unto thee, and

be thou a guard unto them.

8. After many days thou shalt be visited: in the latter vears thou

shalt come into the

land that is brought back from the sword, and is gathered out of many people, against the mountains of Israel, which have been always waste: but it is brought forth out of the nations.

and they shall

dwell safely all of them.

Thou shalt

ascend and come

like a storm, thou shalt be like a cloud to cover the land, thou, and all thy bands, and many people with thee.

10. Thus saith the Lord GOD: It shall also come to pass, that

at the same time shall things come into thy mind, and thou shalt think an

evil thought:

11. And thou

shalt say, I will go up to the land of unwalled

villages; I will go to them that are at rest, that dwell safely, all of them dwelling without walls, and having neither bars nor gates,

12. To take a spoil,

and to take a prey;

to turn thine hand upon the desolate places

that are now inhabited,

and upon

the people that are

gathered out of the nations, which have gotten cattle and goods, that dwell in the midst of the land.

13. Sheba, and Dedan, and the merchants of Tarshish,

with all the young lions thereof, shall say unto thee,

Art thou come to take

a spoil? hast thou gathered thy company to take a prey? to

carry away silver and gold, to take away cattle and goods, to take a great spoil?

14. Therefore, son of man,

prophesy and say unto Gog. Thus saith

the Lord GOD: In that day when my people of

Israel dwelleth safely.

shalt thou not know it? 15. And thou shalf

come from thy place

out of the north parts. thou, and many people

with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and

a mighty army:

16. And thou shalt come up

against my people of

Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; it shall be in the latter days.

and I will bring thee

against my land, that the heathen may know

me, when I shall be sanctified in thee. O Gog, before their eyes.

17. Thus saith the Lord GOD:

Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days

many years that I would bring thee against them?

18. And it shall come to pass at the same time

when Gog shall come

against the land of

Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that

my fury shall come up in my face.

19. For in my jealousy

and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken,

Surely in that day

there shall be a great shaking in the land of

Israel:

20. So that the fishes of the sea. and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and

all the men

that are upon the face of

the earth, shall shake at my presence, and . the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep

places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground.

21. And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD:

every man's sword shall be against his brother.

22. And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood: and I will rain upon

him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him. an overflowing rain, and

great hailstones. fire, and brimstone.

23. Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself: and I will be known

in the eves of many nations. and they shall know

that I am the LORD.

CHAPTER 39

1. **Therefore,** thou son of man.

prophesy against Gog, and say, Thus saith

the Lord GOD: Behold.

I am against thee, O Gog, the chief prince of Meshech and Tubal:

And I will turn thee back. and leave but the sixth part of thee, and will cause thee

to come up from the north parts, and will bring thee upon the mountains of Israel:

3. And I will smite thy bow out of thy left hand, and will cause thine arrows to fall out of thy right hand.

4. Thou shall fall upon the mountains of Israel, thou,

and all thy bands, and the

people that is

with thee: I will give thee unto the ravenous

birds of every sort,

and to the

beasts of the field

to be devoured.

5. Thou shalt fall upon the open

field: for I have spoken it, saith the Lord GOD.

6. And I will send a fire

on Magog, and among them that dwell carelessly in the isles: and they shall know that I am the LORD.

7. So will I make my holy name known in

the midst of my people

■ Israel; and I will not let
■ them pollute my holy

name any more: and the heathen shall know that

heathen shall kno
 I am the LORD, the
 Holy One in Israel.

8. **Behold**, it is come, and it is done, saith the Lord GOD;

■ this is the

day whereof I have spoken.

9. And they that dwell in the cities of

■ Israel shall go forth, and

shall set on fire and burn the weapons, both the shields and the bucklers, the bows and the arrows, and the handstaves, and the spears,

and they shall burn

■ them with fire

seven years:

10. So that

they shall take no wood out of the field, neither cut down any out of the forests; for they

■ | out of the foresis; for they ■ | shall burn the

■ weapons with fire:

and they shall spoil those that spoiled them,

and rob those that robbedthem, saith the Lord GOD.

11. **And** it shall come to pass in that day, *that*

I will give unto

Gog a place there of graves in Israel.

graves in Israel, the valley of the passengers on the east of the sea: and it shall stop the noses of the passengers:

and there shall they bury Gog and all his multitude: and they shall call it The valley of Hamon-aoa.

12. And seven months

shall the house of

■ Israel be burying of
■ them, that they may
■ cleanse the land.

13. Yea, all the people of the land shall bury *them*; and it shall be to them a renown the day

that I shall be glorified,
 saith the Lord GOD.

■ 14. And they shall sever out

men of continual

employment, passing through the land to

■ **bury** with the passengers

those that remain upon the face of the earth, to cleanse it:

after the end of

seven months shall they search.

15. And the passengers that pass through the land,

when *any* seeth a man's bone, then shall he

set up a sian by it.

■ till the buriers have buried

if in the valley of Hamon–gog.

16. And also the name of the city shall be Hamonah. Thus shall they cleanse the land.

17. And, thou son of

man, thus saith the Lord GOD;

Speak unto every feathered fowl, and to

every beast of the field,Assemble yourselves,

and come; gather

yourselves on every side
to my sacrifice that I
do sacrifice for you, even a
great sacrifice upon the
mountains of Israel.

that ye may eat flesh, and drink blood.

18. Ye shall eat the flesh of the mighty, and drink the blood of the princes of the earth, of rams, of lambs, and of goats, of bullocks, all of them fatlings of Bashan.

■ 19. And ye shall eat fat

till ye be full, and drink blood till ye be drunken, of

my sacrifice which I have sacrificed for you.

20. Thus ye shall be filled at my table with horses and chariots,

with mighty men, and with all men of war, saith the Lord GOD.

- 21. And I will set my alory among the heathen, and all
- the heathen shall see my judgment that I have executed, and my hand that I have laid upon them.
- 22. So the house of
- Israel shall know that
- I am the LORD their God from that day and forward.
- 23. And the heathen shall know that the house of
- Israel went into captivity
 - for their iniquity: because they trespassed against me, therefore hid I my face from them, and gave them into the hand of their enemies: so fell they all by the sword.
 - 24. According to their uncleanness and according to their transgressions have I done unto them, and hid my face from them.
- 25. Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD:
- Now will I bring again the captivity of Jacob.
- and have mercy
- **upon** the whole house of
- Israel, and will be jealous for my holy name;
- 26. After that they have
- borne their shame, and all

their trespasses whereby they have trespassed against me.

- when they dwelt safely in their land, and none made them afraid.
- 27. When I have brought them again from the people, and
- gathered them out of
- their enemies' lands. and am sanctified in them
- in the sight of many nations: 28. Then shall they know that

I am the LORD their God. which caused them to be led into captivity among the heathen: but I have gathered them unto their own land, and have left none of them any more there. 29. Neither will I hide my

face any more from them:

- for I have poured out
- my spirit upon the house of Israel, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 40

1. In the five and twentieth vear of our captivity, in the beginning of the year, in the tenth day of the month, in the fourteenth vear after that the city was smitten. in the selfsame day

the hand of the LORD was upon me, and brought me thither.

2. **In** the

visions of

God brought he me

into the land of

Israel, and set me upon a very high

mountain, by which was as the frame of a city on the south.

And he brought me thither. and, behold.

there was a man, whose appearance was like the appearance of

brass, with a line of flax in his hand, and a measuring reed; and

he stood in the gate.

 And the man said unto me. Son of man, behold with thine eyes, and hear with thine ears, and

set thine heart upon all that I shall shew

thee: for to the intent

that I might shew them unto thee art

thou brought hither:

declare all that thou

seest to the house of

Israel

5. And behold a wall on the outside of

the house round about.

and in the man's hand a measuring reed of

six cubits long by the cubit and an hand breadth:

so he measured the breadth of the building.

one reed; and the

- height, one reed.
- 6. Then came
- he unto the gate which looketh toward the east, and went up the stairs thereof, and
- measured the threshold of the gate, which was
- one reed broad; and the
 - other threshold of the gate. which was one reed broad.
- 7. And every little chamber was one reed long, and one reed broad: and
- between the little
- chambers were five cubits;

and the threshold of the gate by the porch of the gate within was one reed.

- 8. He measured also
- the porch of the gate within, one reed.
 - 9. Then measured he
- the porch of the gate, eight cubits; and the posts thereof,
- two cubits; and the porch of the gate was inward.
- 10. And the little
- chambers of the gate eastward were three on this
- side, and three on
- **that side:** they three were of one measure: and the posts had one measure on this side and on that side.
- 11. And he measured
- the breadth of the
- entry of the
- gate, ten cubits; and the length of the gate,
- thirteen cubits.
- 12. The space also
- before the little
- chambers was
- one cubit on this side.
- and the space was one cubit on that side: and the little
- chambers were six cubits
- I on this side, and six cubits on that side.
 - 13. He measured then
 - the gate from the
- roof of one little
- **chamber to** the roof of
- another: the breadth
 - was five and twenty

- cubits, door against door.
- 14. He made also
 - posts of
- threescore cubits, even unto the post of the court round about the gate.
 - 15. And from the face of the gate of
- the entrance unto the face of the porch of the inner
- gate were fifty cubits.
- 16. And there were narrow
- windows to the little
- chambers, and to their
- posts within the gate round about, and likewise to the arches: and windows were round about inward:
- and upon each post were palm trees.
- 17. Then brought he
- me into the outward court, and, lo.
- there were chambers.
 - and a pavement made for the court round about:
- thirty chambers were
- upon the pavement. 18. And the pavement
 - by the side of the gates over against the length of the gates was the lower pavement.
 - 19. Then he measured the breadth
- from the forefront of the lower gate unto
- the forefront of the
- inner court without.
- an hundred cubits
 - eastward and northward.
- 20. And the gate of the outward court that looked
- toward the north, he
- measured the length thereof.
 - and the
 - breadth thereof.
 - 21. And the little chambers thereof were three on this side and
 - three on that side; and the posts thereof and the arches thereof
- were after the measure of the first gate: the length thereof was
- fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.
 - 22. And their windows, and their

arches, and their palm trees, were after the measure of the gate that looketh toward the east; and they went up unto it by seven steps; and the arches thereof were before them.

23. And the gate of the inner court was over

against the gate toward the north, and toward the

east: and

he measured from gate to gate an hundred cubits.

24. After that he brought me toward the south, and behold

a gate toward the

south: and he measured

the posts thereof

and the arches thereof according to these measures.

25. And there were windows in it and in the arches thereof round about, like those windows: the length was fifty cubits, and the breadth five and twenty cubits.

26. And there were seven steps to go up to it, and the

arches thereof were

before them: and it had palm trees, one on this side. and another on that side.

upon the posts thereof. 27. And there was a

gate in the inner court toward the south:

and he measured from

gate to gate loward the south an hundred cubits

28. And he brought me to the inner court by the south gate; and

he measured the south

gate according to these measures:

29. And the little

chambers thereof. and the posts thereof,

and the

arches thereof, according to these measures:

and there were

windows in it and in the arches thereof round about: it was fifty cubits long, and five

and twenty cubits broad. 30. And the arches round about were five and twenty cubits long. and five cubits broad.

 And the arches thereof. were toward the utter court: and palm trees were

upon the posts thereof: and the going up to it had eight steps.

32. And he brought me into the inner court toward the

east: and he

measured the aate according to these measures.

33. And the little chambers thereof, and the

posts thereof.

and the

arches thereof, were according to these measures:

and there were windows

therein and in the arches thereof

6 round about: it was fifty cubits long, and five and lwenty cubits broad.

34 And the arches thereof. were toward the outward

COURT: and palm trees were upon the posts thereof, on this side, and on that side; and the going up to it had eight steps.

35. And he brought me to the north gate.

and measured if according to these measures:

36. The little

chambers thereof, the

posts thereof, and the

arches thereof.

and the windows

to it round about:

the length was fifty cubits, and

the breadth five and twenty cubits.

37. And the posts thereof were toward the utter court; and palm trees were upon the posts thereof. on this side, and on that side; and the going up to it had eight steps.

38. And the chambers and the entries thereof

were by the posts of the gates, where they washed the burnt offering.

39. And in the porch of the gate

two tables on this side, and

■ to slay thereon

the burnt offering and the sin offering and the

trespass offering.

40 And at the side

without, as one goeth up to

■ the entry of the north ■ gate, were two

tables; and on the other side, which was at the porch of the gate, were two tables.

41. Four tables were on this side, and four tables on that side, by the side of the gate; eight tables,

whereupon they slew their sacrifices.

42. And the four

tables were of hewn

stone for the burnt offering, of a cubit and an half long.

a cubit and an half
 and a cubit and an half

■ broad, and one cubit high:

whereupon also they laid the instruments wherewith they slew the burnt offering and the sacrifice.

43. And within were hooks, an hand broad, fastened round about: and upon the tables was the flesh of the offering.

■ 44. And without the inner gate were the chambers

of the singers in the inner court, which was at the side of the north gate; and their prospect was toward the south: one at the side of the east gate having the prospect toward the north.

45. And he said unto me,

This chamber, whose prospect is

toward the south, is for the priests, the

■ keepers of the charge of

the house.

46. And the chamber whose prospect is toward the north is

for the priests, the keepers of the charge of

the altar: these are the sons of Zadok among the sons of Levi, which come near to the LORD to minister unto him.

47. So he measured the court, an hundred cubits

long, and an hundred

cubits broad, foursquare;

and the alter thatwas before the h

was before the house.

48. And he brought me

48. And he brought me
to the porch of the house,

and measured

and measured

each post of the porch, five cubits on this side, and five cubits on that side:

■ and the breadth of

■ the gate

was three cubits on this side,

and three cubits on that side.

49. The length of

the porch was twenty cubits, and the breadth eleven cubits,

■ and he brought me

by the steps whereby they went up to it: and

there were pillars by the posts, one on this side, and another on that side.

CHAPTER 41

1. Afterward he brought me to the temple, and

measured the posts,

six cubits broad on the

■ one side,

■ and six cubits broad on

the other side.

■ which was the breadth

of the tabernacle.

2. And the breadth of the

door was ten cubits; and the sides of the door were

five cubits on the one side.

and five cubits on the other side:

and he measured

■ the length thereof,

forty cubits: and the

■ breadth, twenty cubits.

3. Then went

I he inward, and

round about

1199 measured the post of the door, two cubits: and the door, six cubits; and the breadth of the door, seven cubits. 4 So he measured the length thereof, twenty cubits; and the breadth, twenty cubits, before the temple: and he said unto me. This is the most holy place. 5. After he measured the wall of the house six cubits: and the breadth of every side chamber, four cubits. round about ■ the house on every side. 6. And the side chambers were three, one over another, and thirty in order; and they entered into the wall which was of the house for the side chambers round about, that they might have hold, but they had not hold in the wall of the house 7. And there **Was** an enlarging, and ■ a winding about still ■ upward to the side chambers: for the winding about of the house went still upward round about the house: therefore the breadth of the ■ house was still upward, and so ■ increased from the lowest chamber to the ■ highest by the midst. 8. I saw also the height of the house round about: the foundations of the side **=**1 chambers were a full reed of Six great cubits. 8 9. The thickness of the wall, which was for the side chamber without. was five cubits: and that which was left was the place of the side chambers that were within 10. And between the

chambers was the

wideness of twenty cubits

the house on every side. 11. And the doors of the side chambers were toward the place that was left, one door toward the north. and another door toward the south: and the breadth of the place that was left was five cubits round about. 12. Now the building that was before the separate place at the end toward the west was seventy cubits broad: and the wall of the building was five cubits thick round about. and the length thereof ninety cubits. 13. So he measured the house, an hundred cubits long: and the separate place, and the building, with the walls thereof an hundred cubits long: 14. Also the breadth of the face of the house, and of the separate place toward the east, an hundred cubits. 15. And he measured the length of the building over against the separate place which was behind it, and the aalleries thereof on the one side and on the other side, an hundred cubits, with the inner temple, and the porches of the court: 16. The door posts, and the narrow windows, and the galleries round about on their three stories, over against the door. cieled with wood round about, and from the ground up to the windows, and the windows were covered: 17. To that above the door, even unto the inner house, and without. and by all the wall round about within and without, by measure.

18. And it was made with

■ cherubims and palm

- trees, so that a palm tree was between a cherub and a cherub;
- and every cherub had two faces:

19. So thal

- the face of a man was toward the palm tree on the one side,
- and the face of
- **a** young
- lion toward the palm tree on the other side: it was made through all the house round about.
 - 20. From the ground unto above the door *were* cherubims and palm trees made, and *on* the wall of the temple.
- 21. The posts of the temple
 were squared, and
 the face of the sanctuary; the appearance of the one as the appearance of the other.
- 22. The altar of wood was three cubits high, and the length thereof two cubits; and the corners thereof, and the length thereof,
- and the walls thereof, were of wood:
- and he said unto me,
 This is the table that is
- before the LORD.
 - 23. And the temple
- and the sanctuary had two doors.
- 24. And the doors had
- two leaves apiece, two turning leaves; two leaves for the one door, and two leaves for the other door.
- 25. And there were made on them,
- on the doors of the temple,cherubims and palm trees,

like as were made upon the walls;

- and there were thick
- planks upon the face of the porch without.
- 26. **And** there were
- narrow windows and
- palm trees on the one side and
- on the other side, on the sides of the porch,

and *upon* the side chambers of the house, and thick planks.

CHAPTER 42

- 1. Then he brought me forth
- into the offer court, the way toward the north: and he brought me
- into the chamber that was over
- against the separate
- place, and which was before the building toward the north.
- 2. Before the length of an hundred cubits was the
- north door, and the breadth was fifty cubits.
- 3. Over against the twenty cubits which were for
- the inner court.
- and over against
- the pavement which
- Was for
- the utter court, was
- gallery against gallery in three stories.
 - And before the chambers
 was a walk to ten cubits breadth
 inward, a way of one cubit; and
 their doors toward the north.
- 5. Now the upper chambers
 were shorter: for the
 galleries were higher than
 - these, than the lower, and than the middlemost of the building.
 - 6. For they were in three stories, but had not pillars as the pillars of the courts:
- therefore the building
 was straitened more
 than the lowest and the middlemost
 from the ground.
- 7. And the wall that was
- without over against the chambers, toward
- the utter court on the forepart of the chambers, the length thereof
- was fifty cubits.
- 8. For the length
- of the chambers
 that were in the ofter court
- was fifty cubits: and, lo,
- before the temple were
- an hundred cubits.

 9. And from
- under these chambers
 - was the entry on the
 - east side, as one goeth into them

from the offer court. 10 The chambers were in the thickness of the

wall of the court toward the east, over against the separate place, and over against the building. 11. And the way before them was like the appearance of the chambers which were toward the north, as long as they, and as broad as they; and all their goings out were both according to their fashions, and according to their doors.

- 12. And according to the doors of the chambers that were toward the south was a door in the head of the way, even the way directly before the wall toward the east, as one entereth into them
- 13. Then said he unto me. The north chambers and the
- south chambers, which are before the

separate place, they be

holy chambers. where the priests

that approach unto the LORD

shall eat the most holy things: there shall they lay the most holy things, and the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the trespass

offering; for the place is holy.

14. When the priests enter therein, then shall they not go out of the holy place into

the utter court, but there they shall lay their

garments wherein they minister; for they are

holy; and shall put on other garments, and

shall approach to those things which are for

the people.

15. Now when he had

made an end of measuring the inner house,

■ he brought me forth

toward the gate whose

prospect is toward the east, and measured

■ If round about

16. He measured the east side with the measuring reed.

five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about. 17. He measured

the north side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed round about. He measured

the south side, five hundred reeds, with the measuring reed. 19. He turned about to

the west side, and measured five hundred reeds with the measuring reed.

20. He measured it by

the four sides: it had a

wall round about.

five hundred reeds long. and five hundred broad.

to make a separation between the sanctuary

and the profane place.

CHAPTER 43

 Afterward he brought me to the gate, even the gate that looketh toward the east:

2. And, behold,

the glory of the

God of Israel

came from the way of the east: and

his voice was like a noise of many waters: and the earth shined with his glory.

3. And it was according to the appearance of

the vision which I saw, even according to the vision that

I saw when I came to

destroy the city: and the visions were like the vision that I saw

by the river Chebar; and I fell upon my face.

4. And the glory of the LORD came into the house

> by the way of the gate whose prospect is toward the east.

5. So the spirit took

me up, and brought me into the inner court: and, behold. the alory of the LORD filled the house. 6 And I heard him speaking unto me out of the house: and the man stood by me. 7 And he said unto me. Son of man. the place of my throne, and the place of the soles of my feet. where I will dwell in the midst of the children of Israel for ever, and my holy name, shall the house of Israel no more defile, neither they, nor their kings, by their whoredom, nor by the carcases of their kings in their high places. 8. In their setting of their threshold by my thresholds. and their post by my posts. and the wall between me and them, they have even defiled my holy name by their abominations that they have committed; wherefore I have consumed them in mine anger. 9. Now let them put away their whoredom, and the carcases of their kings, far from me, and I will dwell in the midst of them for ever. 10. Thou son of man. shew the house to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities: and let them measure the pattern. 11. And if they be ashamed of all that they have done. shew them the form of the house, and the fashion thereof, and the goings out thereof, and the comings in thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the ordinances thereof, and all the forms thereof, and all the laws thereof; and ■ write it in their sight. that they may keep the whole form thereof, and all the

ordinances thereof, and do

them. 12 This is the law of the house: Upon the top of the mountain the whole limit thereof round about shall be most holy. Behold, this is the law of the house. 13. And these are the measures of the altar after the cubits: The cubit is a cubit and an hand breadth; even the bottom shall be a cubit. and the breadth a cubit, and the border thereof by the edge thereof round about shall be a span: and this shall be the higher place of the altar. 14. And from the bottom upon the ground even to the lower settle shall be two cubits, and the breadth one cubit: and from the lesser settle even to the greater settle shall be four cubits, and the breadth one cubit. 15. So the altar shall be four cubits: and from the altar and upward shall be four horns. 16. And the altar shall be twelve cubits long, twelve broad, square in the four squares thereof. 17. And the settle shall be fourteen cubits long and fourteen broad in the four squares thereof: and the border about it shall be half a cubit: and the **bottom** thereof shall be a cubit about: and his stairs shall look toward the east. 18. And he said unto me. Son of man, thus saith the Lord GOD: These *are* the ordinances of the altar in the day when

they shall make it, to offer

burnt offerings thereon, and to sprinkle blood thereon.

19. And thou shalt give to

- the priests the Levites that be of the seed of Zadok.
- which approach unto me, to minister unto me.
- saith the Lord GOD.
- a young bullock for a sin offering.
- 20. And thou shalt
- take of
- the blood thereof.
- and put it on the four
- horns of it
- and on
- the four
- corners of the
- | settle, and upon
 - the border round about:
- thus shalt thou cleanse
- and purge it. ■ 21. Thou shalt
 - take the bullock also of
- the sin offering, and he shall
- burn it in the appointed
- place of the house.
 - without the sanctuary.
- 22. And on the
- second day thou shalt
- offer a kid of the goats
- without blemish for a
 - sin offering; and they shall cleanse the altar, as they did cleanse it with the bullock
- 23. When thou hast
- made an end of
- cleansing if, thou shalt
- offer a young
- bullock without blemish,
- and a ram out of the flock
 - without blemish.
 - 24. And thou shalt offer them before the LORD.
- and the priests shall cast
- salt upon them, and they shall ■ offer them up
- for a burnt
- offering unto the LORD.
- 25. Seven days shalt thou
- prepare every day
- a goat for a sin
- offering: they shall
- also prepare a
- young bullock,
 - and a ram out of the flock,

- without blemish.
- 26. Seven days shall
- they purge the altar and purify it; and they shall
- consecrate themselves.
 - 27. And when these days are expired, it shall be, that
 - upon the eighth
 - day, and so forward.
 - the priests shall make your
 - burnt offerings upon
 - the altar, and your
- peace offerings; and will accept you,
- saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 44

- Then he brought me back the way of the
- aate of the outward sanctuary
- which looketh toward the
- east: and it was shut.
- 2. Then said the
- LORD unto me:
- This gate shall be
- shut, it shall not be opened.
- and no man shall enter in
 - by it; because the
- LORD, the God of Israel.
- hath entered in
- by it, therefore it shall be shut.
 - 3. It is for the prince:
- the prince, he
- shall sit in it to eat bread
- before the LORD: he shall
- enter by the way of the
 - porch of that gate, and shall go out by the way of the same.
- 4. Then brought he me
- the way of the north
- gate before the house:
- and I looked, and, behold,
- the glory of the LORD filled
- the house of the LORD:
- and I fell upon my face.
- 5. And the LORD
- said unto me. Son of man.
- mark well, and behold with thine eves, and hear with thine ears
- all that I say unto thee
- concerning all
 - the ordinances of the
- house of the LORD, and all

idols, and

the laws thereof; and mark well the entering in of the house, with every going forth of the sanctuary. 6. And thou shalt say to the rebellious. even to the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord GOD; O ye house of Israel. let it suffice you of all your abominations. 7. In that ye have brought into my ■ sanctuary strangers. uncircumcised in heart, and uncircumcised in flesh, to be in my sanctuary, to pollute it, even my house, when ve offer my bread, the fat and the blood. and they have broken my covenant because of all your abominations. 8. And ye have not ■ kept the charge of ■ mine holy things: but ye have set keepers of my charge in my sanctuary for yourselves. 9. Thus saith the Lord GOD; **No stranger,** uncircumcised in heart, nor uncircumcised in flesh. shall enter into my sanctuary, of any stranger that is among the children of Israel. 10. And the Levites that are gone away far from me, when Israel went **5** | astray, which went astray away from me after their idols; they shall even bear their iniquity. 11. Yet they shall be ministers in my sanctuary, having charge at the gates of the house, and ministering to the house: they shall slay the burnt offering and the sacrifice for the people, and they shall stand before them to minister unto them. 12. **Because they**

ministered

unto them before their

caused the house of Israel to fall into iniquity; therefore have I lifted up mine hand against them, saith the Lord GOD. and they shall bear their iniquity. 13. And they shall not come near unto me, to do the office of a priest unto me, nor to come near to any of my holy things, in the most holy place: but they shall bear their shame, and their abominations which they have committed. 14. But I will make them keepers of the charge of the house, for all the service thereof, and for all that shall be done therein. 15. But the priests the Levites. the sons of Zadok, that kept the charge of my sanctuary when the children of Israel went astray from me, they shall come near to me to minister unto me, and they shall stand before me to offer unto me the fat and the blood. saith the Lord GOD: 16. They shall enter into my sanctuary, and they shall come near to my table. to minister unto me, and they shall keep my charge. 17. And it shall come to pass, that when they enter in at the gates of the inner court, they shall be clothed with linen garments; and no wool shall come upon them, whiles they minister in the gates of the inner court, and within. 18. They shall have linen bonnets upon their heads. and shall have linen breeches upon their loins; they shall not gird themselves with any thing

that causeth sweat.

19. And when they go forth into the offer court, even into the utter court to the people.
 they shall put off their

garments wherein they ministered.

and lay them in the holy
 chambers, and they shall
 put on other garments;

and they shall not sanctify the people with their garments.

20. Neither shall they shave their heads, nor suffer their
 locks to grow long; they

locks to grow long; they shall only poll their heads.

21. Neither shall anypriest drink wine,

when they enter into the inner court.

22. Neither shall they takefor their wives a widow,

nor her that is put

■ away: but they shall take

maidens of the seed of the house

of Israel, or a widow

that had a priest before.

23. And they shall

teach my people

the difference between the holy and profane, and

cause them to discern between the unclean and the clean.

24. And in controversy they shall stand in judgment;

and they shall judge it according to my judgments:

■ and they

shall keep my laws and

my statutes in all mine assemblies; and they shall

hallow my sabbaths.25. And they shall come

at no dead person

to defile themselves:

■ but for father, or for

■ mother, or for

■ SON, or for

■ daughter, for

■ brother, or for sister that

hath had no husband, theymay defile themselves.

■ 26. And after he

is cleansed, they

shall reckon unto him

seven days.

27. And in the day that hegoeth into the sanctuary,

unto the inner court,

to minister in the sanctuary.

he shall offer his sin
offering, saith the Lord GC

offering, saith the Lord GOD.28. And it shall be unto

them for an inheritance:

ye shall give them no possession in Israel:

I am their possession.

29. They shall eat the meat offering, and the sin offering, and the

trespass offering: and every dedicated thing in

Israel shall be theirs.30. And the first of all

the firstfruits of all things, and every

■ oblation of all of

every sort of your oblations,

shall be the priest's: ye shall also give unto the

priest the first of your dough.
that he may cause
the blessing to rest

the blessing to rest in thine house.

■ 31. The priests shall not eat of

any thing that is

dead of itself, or torn.

whether it be fowl or beast.

CHAPTER 45

1. Moreover, when ye shall

divide by lot

the land for inheritance, ye shall

offer an oblation unto

the LORD, an holy portion of the land: the length shall be

■ the length of

■ five and twenty thousand

reeds, and the

breadth shall be ten thousand.

ten thousand. This *shall be* holy in all the borders thereof round about.

 2. Of this there shall be for the sanctuary five hundred in length, with five hundred in breadth,

square round about;

- and fifty cubits round about for the suburbs thereof
- 3 And of this measure shalt thou measure
- the length of five and twenty thousand, and the breadth
- of ten thousand: and in it
- shall be the
- sanctuary and the
- most holy place.
- 4. The holy portion of the land shall be for the priests the ministers of the sanctuary, which shall come near to minister unto the LORD; and it shall be a place
- for their houses.
- and an holy place for
- the sanctuary.
- 5. And the five and twenty thousand of length, and the ten thousand of breadth
- shall also the Levites. the ministers of the house.
- have for themselves. for a possession for
- twenty chambers. 6. And ye shall appoint
- the possession of the
 - city five thousand broad, and five and twenty thousand long, over against the oblation of the
- ■ i holy portion: it shall be for the whole house of Israel.
- 7. And a portion shall be for the prince on the one side and on the other side of the oblation.
- of the holy portion, and of the possession of the city, before the oblation of the holy portion, and before the possession of the city, from the west side westward, and from the east side eastward: and the length shall be over against one of the portions, from
 - the west border unto the east border. 8. In the land shall be his possession in Israel: and
- my princes shall no more oppress my people; and
- the rest of the land shall they give to the house of
- Israel accordina
- to their tribes.
 - 9. Thus saith the Lord

GOD; Let it suffice you.

- O princes of Israel: remove violence and
- spoil, and execute judament and justice. take away your exactions from

my people, saith the Lord GOD

- 10. Ye shall have just
- balances, and a just ephah,
- and a just bath.
 - 11. The ephah and the bath shall be of one measure, that the bath may contain the tenth part of an homer, and the ephah the tenth part of an homer: the measure thereof shall be after the homer. 12. And the shekel shall be twenty
 - gerahs: twenty shekels, five and twenty shekels, fifteen shekels, shall be your maneh.
- 13. This is the oblation that ve shall offer; the sixth
- part of an ephah of an homer of wheat, and ye shall give the sixth part of an ephah of an homer of
- barley:

Concerning the

out of the flock.

- ordinance of oil, the bath of oil, ve shall offer the tenth part
- of a bath out of the cor, which is an homer of ten haths:

for ten baths are an homer: 15. And one lamb

- out of two hundred, out of the fat pastures of Israel; for a meat offering, and for a burnt offering, and for peace
- offerings, to make reconciliation for them, saith the Lord GOD.
- 16. All the people of the land shall give this oblation
- for the prince in Israel. 17. And it shall be the
- prince's part to give burnt offerings, and meat
- offerings, and drink offerings, in the
- feasts, and in the
- new moons, and in the sabbaths, in all solemnities
 - of the house of Israel:

1207 he shall prepare the sin offering, and the meat offering, and the burnt offering, and the peace offerings, to make reconciliation for the house of Israel. 18 Thus saith the Lord GOD: In the first month, in the first day of the month, thou shalt take a young bullock without blemish, and cleanse the sanctuary: 19. And the priest shall take of the blood of the sin offering, and put it upon the posts of the house, and upon the four corners of the settle of the altar, and upon the posts of the gate of the inner court. 20. And so thou shalt do the seventh day of the month for every one that erreth, and for him that is simple: so shall ve reconcile the house. 21. In the first month, in the fourteenth day of the month, ye shall have the passover, a feast of seven days: unleavened bread shall be eaten. 22. And upon that day shall the prince prepare for himself and for all the people of the land a bullock for a sin offering. 23. And seven days of the feast he shall prepare a

burnt offering to the LORD.

seven bullocks and

blemish daily the seven days;

and a kid of the goats daily

24. And he shall prepare a

meat offering of an ephah for a

bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and

25. In the seventh month, in

the fifteenth day of the month,

shall he do the like in the

|■| feast of the seven days.

seven rams without

for a sin offering.

an hin of oil for an ephah.

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according to the sin offering, according to the burnt offering, and according to the meat offering, and according to the oil.

CHAPTER 46

 Thus saith the Lord GOD; The aate of the inner court that looketh toward the east shall be shut the six working days; but on the sabbath it shall be opened. and in the day of the new moon it shall be opened. 2. And the prince shall enter by the way of the porch of that gate without. and shall stand by the post of the gate. and the priests shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings, and he shall worship at the threshold of the gate; then he shall go forth; but the gate shall not be shut until the evenina. Likewise the people of the land shall worship at the door of this gate before the LORD in the sabbaths and in the new moons. And the burnt offering that the prince shall offer unto the LORD in the sabbath day shall be six lambs without blemish. and a ram without blemish. And the meat offering 6 **shall be** an ephah for a ram, and the meat offering for the lambs as he shall be able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah. And in the day of the new moon *it shall be* a young bullock without blemish, and six lambs, and a ram: they shall be without blemish.

- 7. And he shall prepare a meat offering, an ephah for a bullock, and an ephah for a ram, and for the lambs according as his hand shall attain unto, and an hin of oil to an ephah.
- 8. And when
- the prince shall
 - enter, he shall go in
- by the way of the
- porch of that gate, and he shall go forth by the way thereof.
 - 9. But when
- the people of the land
 - shall come before the
- LORD in the solemn feasts.
- he that entereth in
- by the way of the
- north gate to worship
- shall go out by the way of
- the south gate; and he that entereth by the way of the
- south gate shall go forth
- by the way of the
 - north gate: he shall not return by the way of the gate whereby he came in, but shall go forth over against it.
- 10. And the prince in the midst of them, when they go in.
- shall go in; and **-** 1 when they go forth,
 - shall go forth.
 - 11. And in the feasts and in the solemnities the meat offering shall be an ephah to a bullock, and an ephah to a ram, and to the lambs as he is able to give, and an hin of oil to an ephah.
- 12. Now when the prince shall prepare
- a voluntary burnt **offering** or peace offerings voluntarily unto the LORD.
- one shall then
- open him
- the aate that looketh
- toward the east, and he
- shall prepare his burnt offering and his peace offerings.
- as he did on the sabbath day: then he shall go forth;
- and after his going forth
 - one shall shut the gate.
- 13. Thou shalf daily

- prepare a burnt
 - offering unto the LORD
- of a lamb of the first year
- without blemish: thou shalt prepare it every morning.
- 14. And thou shalt prepare
- a meat offering for it
- every morning, the sixth part of an ephah, and the third part
- of an hin of oil, to temper with the fine flour; a meat offering
- continually by a perpetual ordinance
- unto the LORD.
 - 15. Thus shall they prepare the lamb, and the meat offering. and the oil, every morning for a continual burnt offering.
- 16. Thus saith the Lord GOD: If the prince give
- a gift unto any of
- his sons, the
- inheritance thereof
- shall be his sons'; it shall be their possession by inheritance.
- 17. But if he give a gift
- of his inheritance to one
- of his servants, then
- it shall be his to the year of liberty:
 - after it shall return to the prince:
- but his inheritance shall
- be his sons' for them.
- 18. Moreover the prince shall not take of
- the people's inheritance by oppression, to thrust
 - them out of their possession:
 - **but**he
- shall give his sons
- inheritance out of his own possession: that my
- people be not scattered every man from his possession.
- 19. After he brought me through the entry, which was at the side of the gate,
- into the holy chambers
 - of the priests, which looked toward the north; and, behold, there was a place on the two sides westward.
 - Then said he unto me,
- This is the place

where the priests shall boil the trespass offering and the sin offering, where they shall bake the meat offering: that they bear

them not out into the utter court. to sanctify the people.

21. Then he brought me forth into the offer court.

and caused me to pass by the four corners of the court:

and, behold, in every **corner** of the court

there was a court.

22. In the four corners of the court there were courts joined of forty cubits long and thirty broad: these four corners were of one measure.

23 And there was

a row of building round about in them.

round about them

four, and it was

made with boiling places under the rows round about.

24. Then said he unto me.

These are the

places of them that boil,

where the

ministers of the house

shall boil the

Sacrifice of the people.

CHAPTER 47

1 Afterward he

brought me again

■ unto the door of the house;

and, behold.

waters issued out

from under the threshold of the house eastward; for the forefront

of the house stood toward the east.

and the waters came down

from under from

the right side of the ■ house, at the south

side of the altar.

2. Then brought

■ he me out of the way of the gate northward, and

led me about the way without

■ unto the otter gate by the way

that looketh eastward:

and, behold.

there ran out

waters on the right side.

And when the

man that had the line in his hand.

went forth

eastward, he measured a thousand cubits, and he brought me through the

waters: the waters were

to the ankles.

 Again he measured a thousand, and brought me through the

waters; the waters were

to the knees. Again he measured a thousand.

and brought me through:

the waters were to the loins

Afterward he

measured a thousand: and

it was a river that I could not pass over: for the waters were risen, waters to swim in, a river that could not be passed over.

> 6. And he said unto me. Son of man, hast thou seen this?

Then he brought me, and

caused me to

return to the brink of the river.

7. Now when I had returned, behold, at the bank of the river

were verv

many frees on the one side and on the other.

 Then said he unto me.

These waters issue out toward the east country,

and go down

into the desert, and go into

the sea: which being brought forth

into the sea, the waters shall be healed.

9. And it shall come to pass,

that every thing that liveth, which moveth, whithersoever the rivers shall come, shall live:

and there shall be a very great multitude of fish,

because these waters shall come thither: for they shall be healed: and every thing shall live whither the river cometh. ■ 10. And it shall come to pass, that the fishers shall stand upon it from En-gedi even unto Eneglaim; they shall be a place to

spread forth nets; their fish shall be according to their kinds, as the fish of the great sea.

exceeding many.

11. But the miry places thereof and the marishes thereof shall not be healed; they

shall be given to

salt.

12. And by the river upon the bank thereof, on this side and on that side.

shall grow all

■ i trees for meat. whose leaf shall not fade. neither shall the fruit thereof ■ be consumed: it shall bring forth new fruit according to

his months, because their waters they issued out of the sanctuary:

and the fruit thereof

shall be for

meat, and the leaf thereof for medicine.

13. Thus saith the Lord GOD: This shall be the border, whereby ye shall inherit the land

according to the

twelve tribes of Israel: Joseph shall have two portions.

14. And ye shall inherit it, one as well as another: concerning the which I lifted up mine hand to give it unto your fathers; and this land shall fall unto you for inheritance.

15. And this shall be

the border of the land

■ toward the north side.

from the great sea, the way of Hethlon, as men go to Zedad:

> 16. Hamath, Berothah, Sibraim, which is

between the border of

Damascus and the border of ■ Hamath; Hazar—hatticon,

which is by the coast of Hauran. 17. And the border from the sea shall be Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus, and the north northward, and the border of Hamath. And this is the north side.

18. And the east

side ye shall measure

from Hauran, and from

Damascus, and from Gilead, and from the land of Israel

by Jordan. from the border

unto the east sea. And this is the east side.

19. And the south

side southward.

from Tamar even

to the waters of strife

in Kadesh, the river

to the great sea. And this

is the south side southward. 20. The west side also

shall be the areat sea from the border, till a man come over against Hamath.

This is the west side.

21. So shall ve divide

this land unto you according to the

. tribes of Israel.

22. And it shall come to pass, that

ye shall divide it by lot

for an inheritance unto you,

and to the

strangers that sojourn

among you, which shall beget children among

you: and they shall be unto you as born in the country among the children of Israel;

they shall have

inheritance with you among the tribes of Israel. 23. And it shall come to pass, that in

what tribe the stranger sojourneth, there shall ve give him his inheritance, saith the Lord GOD.

CHAPTER 48

■ 1 1. Now these *are* the names

of the tribes. From the north

end to the coast of the way of

Hethlon, as one goeth to Hamath, Hazar-enan, the border of Damascus northward. to the coast of Hamath: for these are his sides east and west: a portion for Dan.

2. And by the border

of Dan, from the east side unto the west side.

a portion for Asher. 3. And by the border

of Asher, from the east side even unto the west side.

a portion for Naphtali. 4. And by the border

of Naphtali, from the east side unto the west side.

a portion for Manasseh.

5. And by the border of Manasseh, from the east

side unto the west side a portion for Ephraim.

6. And by the border of Ephraim, from the east

side even unto the west side. a portion for Reuben.

7. And by the border

of Reuben, from the east side unto the west side.

a portion for Judah.

8. And by the border of Judah, from the east side unto the west side, shall be the offering which

ye shall offer of five and twenty thousand

reeds in breadth, and in **length** as one of the other parts.

from the east side unto the west side:

and the sanctuary shall be in the midst of it. E١

9. The oblation that ye shall offer unto the LORD shall be of five and twenty thousand in length, and of ten thousand in breadth.

10. And for them, even

for the priests, shall be this holy oblation; toward the north five and twenty thousand in length, and toward the west ten thousand in breadth,

and loward the east ten thousand in breadth, and toward the south five and twenty thousand in length:

and the sanctuary

of the LOBD shall be in the midst thereof

> 11. It shall be for the priests that are sanctified of the sons of Zadok: which have kept my charge.

which went not astray

when the children of Israel went astray.

as the Levites went astray.

12. And this oblation of the land that is offered shall be unto them a thing most holy by the border of the Levites.

13. And over against the border of the priests the Levites shall have five and twenty thousand in

length, and ten thousand in breadth: all the length shall be five and twenty thousand. and the breadth ten thousand.

14. And they shall not sell of it, neither exchange, nor alienate the firstfruits of the land:

for it is holy unto the LORD.

15. And the five thousand, that are

left in the breadth over against the five and twenty thousand.

shall be a profane place for the city, for dwelling, and for suburbs:

and the city shall

be in the midst thereof.

16. And these shall be the measures thereof; the north side four thousand andfive hundred. and the south side four thousand. and five hundred, and on the east side four thousand and five hundred. and the west side four thousand and five hundred.

And the suburbs of the city shall. be toward the north two hundred and fifty, and toward the south two hundred andfifty, and toward the east two hundred and fifty, and toward the west two hundred and fifty.

And the residue in length over against the oblation of the holy portion shall be ten thousand eastward, and ten thousand westward; and it shall

be over against the oblation of the holy *portion*; and the increase thereof shall be for food unto them that serve the city.

19. And they that serve the city shall serve it out of all
the tribes of Israel.

20 All the oblation shall be five and twenty thousand by five and twenty thousand: ye shall offer the holy oblation foursquare. with the possession of the city. 21. And the residue shall be for the prince, on the one side and on the other of the holy oblation, and of the possession of the city, over against the five and twenty thousand of the oblation toward the east border, and westward over against the five and twenty thousand toward the west border, over against the portions for the prince; and it shall be the holy oblation;

■ and the sanctuary

of the house

shall be in the midst thereof.

22. Moreover from the possession of the Levites,

and from the possession of

■ the city, being

■ in the midst of that which is

■ the prince's,

between the border ofJudah and the border

■ Judah and the border of Benjamin, shall be

for the prince.

■ 23. As for the rest of

the tribes, from the east side unto the west side,

Benjamin shallhave a portion.

24. And by the borderof Benjamin, from the east

of **Benjamin**, from the east side unto the west side,

Simeon shall

■ have a portion.

25. And by the border

of Simeon, from the east side unto the west side,

Issachar a portion.
26. And by the border of Issachar, from the

east side unto the west side,

| Zebulun a portion.

27. And by the border of Zebulun, from the

of Zebulun, from the east side unto the west side.

east side unto the west side,

Gad a portion.

■ 28. And by the border

of Gad, at the south side southward, the border shall be even

from Tamar *unto*

the waters of strife in

■ Kadesh, and

■ to the river toward

■ the great sea.

29. This is the land which ye shall divide by lot

unto the tribes of Israel

for inheritance, and these *are* their portions, saith the Lord GOD. 30. And these *are* the goings out of

the city on the north side, four thousand and five hundred measures.

31. And the gates of the cityshall be after the names of

the tribes of Israel: three gates northward; one gate

of Reuben, one gate of

Judah, one gate of Levi.

■ 32. And at the

■ east side four thousand and five hundred: and

three gates; and one gate

■ of Joseph, one gate of

Benjamin, one gate of Dan.

■ 33. And at the

south side four thousand and five hundred measures: and

■ | three gates; one gate

of Simeon, one gate of

issachar, one gate of Zebulun.

■ 34. At the west side four thousand and five hundred, with their

three gates; one gate

of Gad, one gate of

Asher, one gate of

■ Naphtali.

35. It was round about eighteen thousand measures:

and the name

of the city from that day

shall be. The LORD is there.

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1. In the third year of
 - the reign of Jehoiakim
- king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar king of
- Babylon unto Jerusalem,
- and besieged it.
- 2. And the Lord gave Jehojakim king of
- Judah into his hand, with part of the vessels of the
 - house of God: which he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.
- 3. And the king spake unto Ashpenaz
- the master of his eunuchs.
- I that he should bring ■ | certain of the children of
- Israel. and of the king's seed, and
- of the princes: 4. Children in whom was
- no blemish, but well ■ favoured, and
- | **skilful** in all wisdom, and
- **cunning** in knowledge,
- and understanding
- science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and
- whom they might teach ■ the learning and the tongue
- of the Chaldeans.
- 5. And the king appointed
- them a daily provision of the king's meat, and of the wine
- which he drank:
- so nourishing them three
- years, that at the end thereof
- they might stand before the king.
- 6. Now among these were of the children of Judah.
- Daniel, Hananiah,
- Mishael, and Azariah:
- 7. Unto whom the prince of
- the eunuchs gave names: for he gave unto Daniel the name
- of Belteshazzar:
 - and to Hananiah, of
- Shadrach; and to Mishael, of
 - Meshach: and to Azariah, of

- Abed-nego.
- 8. But Daniel purposed in his heart that he
- would not defile himself
- with the portion of the
- king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.
- Now God had brought
 - Daniel into favour and tender love
- with the prince
- of the eunuchs.
- 10. And the prince of the eunuchs
- said unto Daniel,
- I fear my lord
- the king, who hath
 - appointed your meat and your drink:
- for why should he see your
- faces worse liking than the children which are of your sort?
- then shall ve make me
- endanger my head to the king. 11. Then said Daniel to Melzar.
 - whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.
- 12. Prove thy servants, I beseech thee,
- ten days; and let them give
- us pulse to eat.
- and water to drink.
 - 13. Then let our countenances be looked upon before thee, and the countenance of the children that eat of the portion of the king's meat:
- and as thou seest, deal with thy servants.
- 14 So he consented
- to them in this matter. and proved them ten days.
- 15. And at the end of ten days
- their countenances
- appeared fairer
- and fatter in flesh
 - than all the children
- which did eat the portion of the
 - king's meat.
 - 16. Thus Melzar took away the

portion of their meat, and the wine that they should drink; and

gave them pulse.

17. As for these four

children, God gave them

knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom:

and Daniel had

understanding in all visions and dreams.

18. Now at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, then

the prince of the eunuchs brought them in

before Nebuchadnezzar.

19. And the king communed with them; and

among them all was found none like Daniel,

■ Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah: therefore stood they

before the king.

20. And in all matters of ■ wisdom and

■ understanding, that

the king inquired of them, he

found them ten times better ■ than all the magicians and

astrologers that were

in all

his realm.

21. And Daniel continued even unto the first year of king Cyrus.

CHAPTER 2

1. **And** in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar.

Nebuchadnezzar dreamed

wherewith his spirit ■ was troubled.

and his sleep brake from him.

2. **Then** the king commanded to call

the magicians, and the

astrologers, and the

sorcerers, and the

Chaldeans, for to shew the king

his dreams. So they

came and stood

before the king.

3. And the king said unto them,

I have dreamed a dream.

and my spirit was troubled to know the dream.

4. Then spake

the Chaldeans to the king in Syriac, O king, live for ever:

tell thy servants the dream, and we will shew the

interpretation.

5. The king answered and said to the Chaldeans.

The thing is gone from me: if ye will

not make known unto me

the dream. with the interpretation thereof,

ve shall be cut in pieces. and your houses shall

be made a dunghill.

6. But if ye shew the dream, and the interpretation

ve shall receive of me

gifts and rewards and great honour: therefore shew me the dream, and the interpretation thereof.

7. They answered again and said. Let the king tell his servants

the dream, and we will shew the interpretation of it.

8. The king answered and said.

I know of certainty that ye would gain the

time, because ye see the thing is gone from me.

9. But if ye will not make known unto me the dream, there is but one decree for you: for

ye have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, till the time be changed; therefore

tell me the dream, and I shall know that ye can

shew me

the interpretation thereof.

10. The Chaldeans answered

before the king, and said,

There is not a man upon the earth

that can shew the king's matter: therefore there is no

king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.

11. And it is a rare thing that the king requireth, and there is

■ none other that

can shew it before the king, except the gods, whose

dwelling is not with flesh.

12. For this cause

the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the wise men

of Babylon.

13. And the decree went forth that the wise men should be slain;

and they sought Daniel and his fellows to be slain. 14. Then Daniel answered

with counsel and wisdom to

Arioch the captain of the king's guard, which was gone forth to slay the wise men of Babylon: 15. He answered and said to Arioch

the king's captain,

Why is the decree so hasty **-** 1 ■ i from the king? Then Arioch made

the thing known to Daniel. ■ 16. Then Daniel went in, and

■ desired of the king that he would give him time, and that he would shew the king

the interpretation.

17. Then Daniel

went to his house, and

made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,

his companions:

18. That they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret; that

Daniel and his fellows

should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.

19. Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a

night vision. Then Daniel blessed the God of heaven.

20. Daniel answered and said. Blessed be the

name of God for ever and ever:

for wisdom and might are his:

21. And he changeth the times and the seasons; he removeth kings, and setteth up kinas:

= 1 he giveth wisdom unto

the wise, and knowledge to them that know

understandina:

22. He revealeth the deep and

secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness.

and the light

dwelleth with him.

23. I thank thee,

and praise thee.

O thou

God of my fathers,

who hast given

me wisdom and might.

and hast

made known unto me

now what we desired of thee; for thou hast now made known unto us

the king's matter.

24. Therefore Daniel went in

unto Arioch, whom the king had ordained to destroy the wise men of Babylon: he went

and said thus unto him.

Destroy not the wise *men*

of Babylon: bring me in before the king, and

I will shew unto the king

the interpretation.

25. Then Arioch brought in

Daniel before the king in haste,

and said thus unto him.

I have found a man of the captives of Judah.

that will make known unto the kina

the interpretation.

26. The king answered and said to Daniel.

whose name was Belteshazzar,

Art thou able to make

known unto me

the dream which I have seen,

and the interpretation thereof?

27. Daniel answered

in the presence of the king, and said, The secret which the king hath

demanded cannot the wise *men*, the astrologers, the magicians, the soothsayers, shew unto the king; 28. But there is a

■ God in heaven that revealeth secrets, and

maketh known

to the king Nebuchadnezzar

what shall be in the latter days. Thy dream, and the visions of thy head upon thy bed, are these:

29. As for thee, O king, thy thoughts came *into thy mind* upon thy bed, what should come to pass hereafter: and he that revealeth secrets maketh known to thee what shall come to pass.

30. But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than any living, but for *their* sakes that shall make known the interpretation to the king, and that thou mightest know the thoughts of thy heart.

■ 31. Thou, O king,

sawest, and behold

a great image. This great image,

whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee:

excellent, stood before theand the form thereof was

■ terrible.

32. This image's head was of fine gold, his

■ breast and his

■ arms of silver, his

belly and his

■ thighs of brass,

33. His legs of iron, his feet

■ part of

iron and part of

clay.

34. Thou sawest till that

a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet

that were of iron and clay,

and brake them to pieces.

35. Then was the iron, the

clay, the

■ brass, the

silver, and the

gold, broken to pieces together,

and became like the chaff

of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them:

and the stone

that smote the image

became a great mountain,

and filled the whole

■ earth.

■ 36. This *is*

the dream; and we will tell

the interpretation thereof before the king.

37. Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the

■ God of heaven

hath given thee a kingdom.

■ power, and

strength, and glory.

38. And wheresoever the children of men dwell.

the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath

he given into thine hand, and hath made thee

ruler over them all.
Thou art this head of

Thou *art* this head of gold.

39. **And after thee shall**

arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and

another third kingdom

of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

40. And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron:

forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all *things*:

and as iron

that breaketh all these.

shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41. And whereas thou sawest

the feet and toes, part

of potters' clay, and part of

■ iron, the kingdom

shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, lorasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42. **And** as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part

of clay, so the kingdom
shall be partly strong,

- and partly broken.
- 43. And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay.
- they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men:
- but they
- shall not cleave one to another.

even as iron is not mixed with clay.

- 44. And in the days of
- these kings shall the
- God of heaven
- set up a kingdom, which
- shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and
- | consume all these
- kingdoms, and it shall
- stand for ever.
- 45. Forasmuch as thou sawest that
- the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it
- brake in pieces the iron, the
- brass, the
- clay, the
- silver, and the gold; the great ■ God hath made known

to the king

- what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.
- 46. **Then** the king
- Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped
- Daniel, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.
- 47. The king answered unto Daniel.

and said. Of a truth it is, that

- your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and
- a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.
- 48. Then the king made
- Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him
- ruler over the whole province of ■ Babylon, and chief of the
- governors over all the wise
 - men of Babylon.
 - 49. Then Daniel requested

- of the king.
- and he set Shadrach.
- Meshach, and Abed-nego.
- over the affairs of
 - the province of
 - Babylon: but Daniel sat in the gate of the king.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. **Nebuchadnezzar** the king made an image of gold.
- whose height was threescore cubits.
- and the breadth
 - thereof six cubits: he
- set it up in the plain of Dura. in the province of Babylon.
- Then Nebuchadnezzar
- the king sent to gather
- together the princes, the
- governors, and the
- captains, the
- judges, the
- freasurers, the
- counsellors, the
- sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come
- to the dedication of
- the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.
 - Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.
- 4 Then an herald cried aloud.
- To you it is commanded.
- O people,
 - nations, and languages,
- 5. That at what time ye hear
- the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and
- all kinds of music, ye fall
- down and worship the
- golden image that
- Nebuchadnezzar
 - the king hath set up:
- 6. And whoso falleth not
- down and worshippeth

shall the same hour

be cast into the midst of

a burning

fiery furnace.

7. Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet. flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of music, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

8. Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and

accused the Jews. 9. They spake and

said to the king

Nebuchadnezzar, O king. live for ever.

- 10. Thou, O king, hast made a decree, that every man that shall hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp. sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, shall fall down and worship the golden image:
- 11. And whose falleth not down and worshippeth, that he should be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace
- 12. There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon.
- Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego; these men. o king, have not regarded thee; they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.
- 13. Then Nebuchadnezzar in his rage and fury
- commanded to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. Then they brought
- these men before the king.
 - 14. Nebuchadnezzar spake and
- said unto them. Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, do not ye serve my gods, nor worship the golden image which I have set up? 15. Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet.

flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of music, vefall down and worship the image which I have made: well: but if ye worship not. ve shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is

that God that shall deliver **YOU** out of my hands?

16. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

answered and said to the king. O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.

17. If it be so, our God whom we serve

is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. 18. But if not, be it known

unto thee. O king. that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image

which thou hast set up. 19 Then was

Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his

visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego:

therefore he spake, and

commanded that they should heat the furnace one seven times more

than it was wont to be heated. 20 And he commanded the most

mighty men that were in his army to bind Shadrach.

Meshach, and Abed-nego. and to cast them into the

burning fiery

furnace.

21. Then these men were bound in their coats, their hosen, and their hats, and their other garments, and were cast into the midst of **the** burning fierv

furnace.

22. Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and the furnace

exceeding hot, the flame of the fire

slew those men that took up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-neao.

23. And these three men.

Shadrach, Meshach, and

Abed-nego, fell down bound into the midst of the burning fiery

furnace

24. Then Nebuchadnezzar

was astonied, and rose up in haste, and spake.

and said unto his counsellors.

Did not we cast three men bound

into the midst of

the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king,

25. He answered and said.

■ Lo. I see four men loose. ■ | walking in the midst of the

fire, and they have no hurt:

and the form of

■ I the fourth is like the Son of God.

■ 26. Then Nebuchadnezzar

■ came near to

■ I the mouth of the burning fiery

furnace, and spake, and

said, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

ve servants of the most ■ high God, come forth, and come hither.

Then Shadrach, Meshach, ■ | and Abed-nego, came

forth of the midst of the fire. 27. And the princes, governors, and captains, and the king's counsellors, being gathered together, saw these men.

upon whose bodies the fire had no power, nor was an hair of their head singed,

neither were their coats changed, nor the smell of fire had passed on them.

28. Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and

said. Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who

hath sent his angel, and

delivered his servants ا ج that trusted in him.

> and have changed the king's word. and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God.

29. Therefore I make a

اس decree, That every

people, nation, and language.

which speak any thing amiss

against the God of

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, shall be cut in

pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill:

because there is

no other

God that

can deliver after this sort.

30. Then the king promoted

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.

in the province of Babylon.

CHAPTER 4

- Nebuchadnezzar the king. unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth:
- Peace be multiplied
- unto you.
- 2. I thought it good to shew

the signs and wonders that the high

God hath wrought

toward me.

3. How great are his signs! and how mighty are his wonders! his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and his dominion is from generation to generation.

4 Nebuchadnezzar

WGS at rest in mine house, and

flourishing in my palace: 5. I saw a dream which made me afraid, and the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head

troubled me.

6. Therefore made I a

decree to bring in all the

wise men of Babylon before me, that they might make known unto me the interpretation of the dream.

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7. Then came in the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers:

■ and I told the dream

before them; but

i ney ala nor

■ make known unto me

the interpretation thereof.

■ 8. But at the last Daniel

Came in before me, whose name was Belteshazzar, according to the name of my God, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods:

and before him

■ I told the dream, saying,

 O Belteshazzar, master of the magicians, because I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in thee, and no secret troubleth thee,

tell me the visions of my dream that I have seen, and the interpretation

thereof.

■ 10. Thus were the

visions of mine head in my bed;

I Saw, and behold

a tree in the midst of the earth.

and the height thereof was great.

11. The tree grew, and was strong, and the height thereof

reached unto heaven, and the sight thereof to the end of all the earth:

12. The leaves thereof

 were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all: the beasts of the field had shadow under it, and the fowls of the heaven dwell in the boughs thereof.

and all flesh was fed of it.

13. I saw in the visions

of my head upon my bed.

and, behold, a watcher and an holy one came

down from heaven:

14. He cried aloud, and said thus,
 Hew down the tree, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get

and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

15. Nevertheless leave the

stump of his roots

in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts in the grass of the earth:

16. Let his heart be changed from man's.

and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him.

17. This matter is by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones:

to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will, and setteth up over the basest of men.

■ 18. **This dream I** king Nebuchadnezzar

have seen. Now thou, O
Belteshazzar, declare the interpretation thereof.

forasmuch as all the wise *men* of my kingdom are not able to make known unto me the interpretation: but thou *art* able;

for the spirit of the holy gods is in thee.

19. **Then Daniel**, whose name was Belteshazzar, was astonied for one hour, and his thoughts troubled him. The king spake, and said, Belteshazzar, let not the dream, or the interpretation thereof, trouble thee. Belteshazzar answered and said, My lord, the dream

said, My lord, the dream
 be to them that hate thee,
 and the interpretation

thereof to thine enemies.

20. The tree that thou
 sawest, which grew, and was strong, whose height reached unto the heaven, and the sight thereof to all the earth:

21. Whose leaves were fair, and the fruit thereof much, and in it was meat for all; under which the beasts of the field dwelt, and upon whose branches the fowls of the heaven

had their habitation:

22. It is thou, O king, that art grown and become strong; for thy greatness is grown, and reacheth unto heaven, and thy dominion to the end of the earth.

23. And whereas the king saw a watcher and an holy one coming down from heaven, and saying, Hew the tree down, and destroy it; yet leave the stump of the roots thereof in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass, in the tender grass of the field; and let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let his portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him:

24. This is the interpretation. O king, and this is the decree of the most High, which is come upon my lord the king:

25. That they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field.

and they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and they shall wet thee with the dew of heaven.

■ and seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men,

and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

26. And whereas they

commanded to leave the

stump of the tree roots: thy kingdom shall be sure

unto thee, after that thou shall have known that the heavens do rule. 27. Wherefore, O king, let my counsel be acceptable unto thee, and

break off thy sins by righteousness.

and thine iniquities by shewing mercy to the poor;

■ if it may be a lengthening ■ of thy tranquillity.

28. All this came upon

the king Nebuchadnezzar.

29. At the end of

twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon.

30. The king spake, and said. Is not this areat Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom

by the might of

my power.

and for the honour of my majesty?

31. While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, savina.

> O king Nebuchadnezzar. to thee it is spoken:

The kingdom is departed from thee.

> 32. And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

33. The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat arass

as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till

his hairs were grown

like eagles' feathers, and his nails like birds' claws.

34 And at the end of the days i Nebuchadnezzar

lifted up mine eyes unto heaven, and mine

understanding returned unto me.

and I blessed the most High, and I praised and honoured him that liveth for

ever, whose dominion is an everlasting dominion, and his kingdom is from generation to generation: 35. And all the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing: and he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

36. At the same time my

reason returned unto me: and

for the glory of my kingdom, mine honour and brightness returned unto me; and my counsellors and my lords sought unto me:

and I was established in my kingdom, and excellent

maiesty was added unto me.

- 37. Now I Nebuchadnezzar
- praise and extol and n i honour the King of heaven,

all whose works are truth, and his ways judgment:

and those that walk in

pride he is able to abase.

CHAPTER 5

- Belshazzar the king made a great feast to a thousand of his lords, and
- drank wine before the thousand.
- 2. Belshazzar, whiles he tasted the wine.
- commanded to bring the golden and silver
- vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had
- taken out of the temple which was
- in Jerusalem; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, might drink therein.
- 3. Then they brought the golden
 - vessels that were taken out of the temple of the house of God which was at Jerusalem; and the king, and his princes, his wives.
- and his concubines
- drank in them.
- 4. They drank wine,
 - and praised the gods
- of gold, and of
 - silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.
- 5. In the same hour came
- forth fingers of a man's hand, and wrote
- over against the candlestick
- upon the plaster of the wall of the king's palace:
- and the king saw the part of
- the hand that wrote.
 - 6. Then the king's countenance

was changed, and his thoughts troubled him, so that the joints of his loins were loosed, and his

- knees smote one against another.
- 7. The king cried aloud to bring in the astrologers. the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers.
- And the king spake, and said to the wise men of Babylon.
- Whosoever shall read this writing, and shew me the interpretation thereof, shall be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain.
- of gold about his neck, and shall be the third ruler in the kingdom.
 - 8. Then came in all the king's wise men:
 - but they could not read
- the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.
- Then was king Belshazzar greatly troubled, and his countenance was changed in him, and his lords were astonied.
 - 10. Now the queen by reason of the words of the king and his lords.
- came into the banquet
- house: and the queen spake and said, O king, live for ever: let not
 - thy thoughts trouble thee, nor let thy countenance be changed:
- 11. There is a man in thy **kingdom**, in whom is the spirit of the holy gods; and in the days of thy father light and understanding and wisdom, like the wisdom of the gods. was found in him:
 - whom the king
- Nebuchadnezzar thy
- father, the king, I say, thy father, made master of the
- magicians, astrologers,
- Chaldeans, and
- soothsavers:
- 12. Forasmuch as an excellent spirit, and
- knowledge, and understanding,
- interpreting of dreams, and shewing of hard sentences, and dissolving of doubts.

- were found in the same Daniel, whom the king
- named Belteshazzar; now

 let Daniel be called, and he
 - will shew the interpretation.
- 13. Then was Daniel brought in before the king.
- And the king spake and
- said unto Daniel, Art thou that Daniel, which art of the children of the captivity of Judah, whom the king my father brought out of Jewry?
- 14. I have even
- heard of thee, that the spirit of
- the gods is in thee, and that light and understanding and excellent wisdom is found in thee.
- 15. And now the wise men, the astrologers.
- have been brought in before me,
- that they should read this writing, and make known unto me
- the interpretation thereof:
 but they could not shew the interpretation of the thing:
 - 16. And I have heard of thee, that thou canst make interpretations, and dissolve doubts:
- now if thou canst read the writing, and make known to me
- the interpretation thereof,
- thou shalt be clothed with scarlet, and have a chain of gold
- about thy neck, and shalt
- be the third rulerin the kingdom.
- 17. Then Daniel answered and
- said before the king,
- Let thy gifts be to thyself, and give thy rewards to another;
- yet I will read the writing unto the king,
- and make known to himthe interpretation.
 - 18. O thou king, the most high
- God gave
- Nebuchadnezzar thy father a kingdom.
 - and majesty, and glory, and honour:

- 19. **And** for the majesty that he gave him, all
- people, nations, and languages,
 trembled and feared
- before him: whom he would he slew; and whom he would he kept alive; and whom he would he set up; and whom he would he put down.
- 20. But when his heart was lifted up, and his mind hardened in pride, he was deposed from his kingly throne,
- and they took his glory from him:

 21. And he was driven from
 - 21. And he was driven from the sons of
- men; and his heart was made like the beasts, and his dwelling was with the wild asses:
- they fed him with
- grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven;
- **till he knew that** the most high
- God ruled in the kingdom
 of men, and that he appointeth over
- of men, and that he appointeth over it whomsoever he will.
 - 22. And thou

his son, O Belshazzar,

- hast not humbled
- thine heart, though
 - thou knewest all
- this;

23. But hast lifted up thyselfagainst the Lord of heaven; and

they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives,

- **and** thy concubines.
- have drunk wine in them;
- and thou hast
- praised the gods of silver,
 - and gold, of brass, iron, wood, and stone, which see not, nor hear, nor know:
- and the God in whose
- **hand thy breath** *is*, and whose are all thy ways,
- hast thou not glorified:
 - 24. Then was the part of the hand sent from him; and this writing was written.
- 25. And this is the writing that was written,
- MENE, MENE,

- I TEKEL, UPHARSIN.
- 26. This is the interpretation of the thing
- MENE; God hath numbered
- thy kingdom, and
- finished it.
- 27. TEKEL; Thou
- art weighed in the balances,
- and art found wanting.
- 28. PERES; Thy kingdom is
- divided, and given to the Medes and Persians.
 - 29 Then
 - commanded Belshazzar, and
- they clothed Daniel with
 - scarlet, and put a chain of gold about his neck,
- and made a proclamation concerning him.
- that he should be the third ruler in the kinadom.
- 30. In that night was
- Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans
- ∎| slain.
- 31. And Darius the Median
- took the kingdom, being about threescore and two years old.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. It pleased Darius to set
 over the kingdom an
- hundred and twenty
- princes, which should be over the whole kingdom;
- 2. And over these threepresidents; of whom Daniel
- Was first: that the princes might give accounts unto them, and the king should have no damage.
- 3. **Then** this
- Daniel was preferred
- above the presidents and
- princes, because an
- excellent spirit was in him;
- and the king thought to set
- him over the whole realm.
 4. Then the presidents and
- princes sought to find
 cocasion against Daniel
- occasion against Daniel concerning the kingdom;
- but they could find none
 - occasion nor fault; forasmuch as he

- was faithful, neither was there any error or fault found in him.
- 5. Then said these men, We shall not find any occasion against this
- Daniel, except
 - we find it against him
- concerning the law
- of his God.
 - 6. **Then** these presidents and princes assembled together to the king, and said thus unto him, King Darius, live for ever.
 - 7. All the presidents of the
- kingdom, the governors, and the princes, the counsellors, and the captains, have
- consulted together to establish a royal
 - statute, and to make a firm
- decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any
- God or man for thirty days,
- save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the
- den of lions.
- 8. Now, O king,
- establish the decree, and sign the writing, that it be
- not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.
- 9. Wherefore king Dariussigned the writing and the
- decree.

 10. Now when Daniel knew
- that the writing was signed, he went into his house; and his windows being open in his
- chamber toward Jerusalem, he kneeled upon his knees
- three times a day,
- and prayed, and gave thanks before his God,
 - as he did aforetime.

- 11. Then these men assembled, and
- found Daniel praying and making supplication before his God.
 - 12. Then they came near,
- and spake before the king
- concerning the king's
- decree: Hast thou not signed a

decree, that every man that shall ask a petition of any God or man within thirty days, save of thee, O king, shall be cast into the den of lions? The king answered and said. The thing is true. according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not.

- 13. Then answered
- they and
- said before the king.
- I That Daniel, which is of the children of the captivity of Judah,
- regardeth not thee, O king, nor ■ the decree that thou hast signed.
- but maketh his petition
- three times a day. ■ 14. Then the kina.
- was sore
- when he heard these words.
- displeased with himself, and set his heart on Daniel
- to deliver him:

and he laboured till the going down of the sun to deliver him.

- 15. Then these men assembled unto the king, and said unto the king.
 - Know, O king, that
- the law of the Medes and ■ Persians is. That no decree nor statute which the king

establisheth

- may be changed.
- Then the king commanded, and ■ | they brought Daniel, and
- cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and
- said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he
- will deliver thee. 17. And a stone was
- brought, and laid upon the mouth of the
 - den: and the king sealed it with his own signet, and with the signet of his lords: that the purpose might not be changed concerning
- 18. Then the king went to his palace, and passed the night fasting:

neither were instruments of music brought before him:

- and his sleep went from him.
- 19. Then the king grose very
- early in the morning.
 - and went in haste
- unto the den of lions
- 20. And when he came to the den, he
- cried with a lamentable voice
- unto Daniel: and the king spake and said to Daniel.
 - O Daniel.
- servant of the living God.
 - is thy God.
 - whom thou servest continually,
- able to deliver thee

from the lions?

- 21. Then said Daniel unto the king. O king, live for ever.
- My God
- hath sent his angel, and
- hath shut the
- lions' mouths.
 - that they have not hurt me: forasmuch as before him innocency was found in me; and also before thee. O king. have I done no hurt.
- 23. Then was the king
 - exceeding glad for him,
- and commanded
- that they should
- take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up
- out of the den, and no
- manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God.
- 24. And the kina
- commanded, and they brought
- those men
- which had accused
- Daniel, and
- they cast them
- into the den of lions, them,
- their children, and their wives: and the lions
 - had the mastery of them, and
- brake all their bones
 - in pieces or ever they came at the bottom of the den.
- 25. Then king Darius wrote
 - unto all people, nations, and languages, that dwell in all the earth;

Peace be multiplied unto you. 26. **I make a decree, That** in every dominion of my kingdom

men tremble and

fear before

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■ the God of Daniel: for he is

the living God, and stedfast for ever. and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed, and his dominion shall be even unto the end.

27. He delivereth and rescueth

27. He delivereth and rescueth, and he worketh signs and wonders in heaven and in earth, who hath delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.

28. **SO** this

Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius, and in the reign of

■ Cyrus the Persian.

CHAPTER 7

I. In the first year of
 Belshazzar king of Babylon
 Daniel had a dream and visions of his head

upon his bed: then he wrote the dream.

and told the sum of the matters.

■ 2. Daniel spake and

said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold,

the four winds of the heaven strove upon the

■ great sea.

3. And four great beasts

came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

■ 4. The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings:

I beheld till

■ the wings thereof

Were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man,

and a man's heart was given to it.

■ 5. And behold

■ another beast, a second,

like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it

had three ribs

in the mouth of it

between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

6. After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard,

which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and

dominion was given to it.
 7. After this I saw in the night visions, and behold

a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it

devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it:

and it had ten horns.

8. I considered the horns,

and, behold,

there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three

of the first

horns plucked up by the roots:
and, behold.

in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man,

and a mouth speaking great things.

9. I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit,

whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame,

■ i and his wheels as burning fire.

10. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judament was set, and the books were opened.

11. I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake:

I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body

- destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

 12. As concerning
- the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion
- taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a

season and

■ | time.

13. I saw in the night visions,

- and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with
- the clouds of heaven, and came
 to the Ancient of days, and
 they brought him near before him.
 - 14. And there was given him dominion, and
- glory, and a kingdom, that all people,

nations, and languages,

- should serve him: his
- dominion is an
- everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.
- 15. I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body,
 and the visions of my head
- troubled me.

 16. I came near unto one of them that stood by, and
- asked him
- the truth of all this.
- So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.
 - 17. **These** great
- beasts, which are four,
- are four kings,
- which shall arise

out of the earth.

- 18. **But the saints** of the most High
- shall take the kingdom, and
- possess the kingdom for
- **ever**, even for ever and ever.
- 19. Then I would know the truth
- of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful.
- whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and

- stamped the residue with his feet;
- that were in his head,

■ and of

the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of

that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

- 21. I beheld, and the same
- horn made war with the saints, and prevailed
 against them:
- 22. Until the Ancient of days
 came, and judgment was
 given to the saints

of the most High;

- and the time came that
 - the saints possessed
- the kingdom.

- 23. Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth
- kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms.
- and shall devour the whole
- earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.
 - 24. And the ten horns out of this kingdom
- are ten kings that shall arise:
 and another shall rise
 - and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first.
- and he shall subdue three kings.
- 25. And he shall speak
- against the most High, and
- the saints

of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they

- shall be given into his hand
- until a time and times and
- the_dividing of time.
- 26. **But** the
- **judgment** shall sit, and they
- shall take away his
- dominion, to consume
- and to
- destroy if unto the end.
 - 27. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of

the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of

the saints of the most High,

■ whose kingdom is an

■ everlasting kingdom.

and all dominions

shall serve and obey him.

28 Hitherto

is the end of the matter.

As for me Daniel.

my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but

I kept the matter

■ in my heart.

CHAPTER 8

1. In the third year of the reign of king

Belshazzar a vision

appeared unto me.

even unto me

Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.

2. And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam:

and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

3. Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw.

and, behold.

there stood before the river

a ram which had

two horns:

and the two horns were high; but

one was higher than the

other, and the higher came up last.

4. I saw the ram pushing

westward, and

northward, and

southward; so that no

beasts might stand

before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

5. And as I was considering,

■ behold, an he goat came from the west

on the face of the whole earth.

and touched not the

ground: and the goat

had a notable

horn between his eyes.

And he came to the ram. that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river. and ran unto him

in the fury of his power.

7. And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and

smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him. but he cast him down to the ground. and stamped upon him:

and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

8. Therefore the he goat waxed verv

great: and when he was strong,

the great horn was broken; and for it came up four

notable ones toward the four winds of heaven

9 And out of one of them came forth

a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

10. And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven: and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and

stamped upon them. 11. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

> 12. And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

13. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake,

How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

14. And he said unto me. Unto

■ I two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

15. And it came to pass. when I even

Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning,

then, behold.

there stood before me as the appearance of

a man.

16. And I heard a man's VOICE between the banks of Ulai.

which called, and

said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision

17. So he came near

where I stood:

and when he came.

■ I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me. Understand, O son of man:

for at the time of the end

shall be the vision.

18. Now as he was **speaking** with me,

I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground:

but he touched me, and

set me upright.

19. And he said. Behold.

I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of

the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.

20. The ram which thou sawest

having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

21. And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the

great horn

that is between his eves

■ is the first king.

■ 22. Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it,

four kingdoms shall **stand up** out of the nation, but not in his power.

23. And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the

transgressors are come to the full. a king of fierce

countenance.

and understanding dark sentences.

shall stand up.

24. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall

destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destrov

the mighty and the

holy people.

25. **And** through his policy also

he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he

shall magnify himself in his heart.

and by peace shall destroy many: he shall

also stand up against the Prince of princes: but he

shall be broken without hand.

26. And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told

is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

27. And I Daniel fainted.

and was sick

certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it.

CHAPTER 9

1. In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed

of the Medes, which was made

king over the realm of the

Chaldeans:

2. In the first year of his reign

I Daniel understood by

books the number of the

VECIS. whereof

the word of the LORD came

to Jeremiah the prophet.

that he would accomplish R

seventy years in the

desolations of Jerusalem.

- 3. And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:
- 4. And I prayed unto the LORD my God.
- and made my confession,
 and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments:
 - 5. We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy
- by departing from thyprecepts and from thy judgments:
- 6. Neither have we

- hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy
 - name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.
- 7. O LORD, righteousness
 belongeth unto thee, but
 unto us confusion of faces,

as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them,

because of their trespass that they have trespassed

against thee.

- 8. O Lord, to us *belongeth* confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.
- 9. To the Lord our God
 belong mercies and
 forgivenesses, though we
 have rebelled against him;
 - 10. Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.
 - 11. Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice;
- therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses

the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

- 12. And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our
 - against us, and against our judges that judged us,
- by bringing upon us
 a great evil: for under
 - a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done
- upon Jerusalem.
 - 13. As it is written in the law of Moses,
- all this evil is come uponus: yet made we not our
 - prayer before the LORD our God.

that we might turn from our iniquities,

and understand thy truth.

- 14. Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth:
- for we obeyed not his voice.
- 15. And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.
- 16. O LORD,

according to all thy righteousness,

I beseech thee.

- let thine anger and thy fury
 be turned away from thy city
- Jerusalem, thy holy mountain:
 because for our sins, and for
 the iniquities of our fathers.
 - Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us.
 - 17. Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.
 - 18. O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name; for
 - we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses,

but for thy great mercies.

19. O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do: defer not. for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.

20. And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God;

■ 21 Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer. even the man

Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning. being caused to fly swiftly,

touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

■ 22. **And he** informed *me*, and ■ talked with me, and said, O Daniel.

I am now

■ | come forth

■ | to give thee skill and understanding.

23. At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee:

for thou art greatly

beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

24. Seventy weeks are ■ determined upon thy

■ | people and upon

thy holy city, to finish the

transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity.

and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy.

and to anoint the

■ most Holv.

25. Know therefore and understand,

■ | that from the going forth of ■ the commandment to

■ restore and to build

Jerusalem unto the

Messiah the Prince

shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again. and the wall, even in

troublous times.

26 And after

threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off

but not for himself; and the

people of the prince that shall come

shall destroy the city and the sanctuary:

and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

27. And he shall confirm the

covenant with many

for one week: and

in the midst of the week he

shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease,

and for the overspreading of abominations he

shall make it desolate.

even until the

consummation.

and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

CHAPTER 10

1. In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia a thing was revealed unto Daniel. whose name was called Belteshazzar; and the thing was true, but the time appointed was long: and he understood the thing, and had understanding of the vision.

2. In those days I Daniel was mourning three

full weeks.

3. I ate no pleasant

bread. neither came flesh nor wine in my mouth, neither did I anoint myself at all, till three whole weeks were fulfilled.

4. And in the four and

twentieth day of the first month, as I was by the

side of the great

river, which is

Hiddekel:

5. Then I lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and behold

Certain

man clothed in linen, whose loins were girded

with fine

gold of Uphaz:

6. His body also

■ was like the

beryl, and his face as

the appearance of

lightning, and

his eyes as lamps of fire. and his arms and his feet like in colour to polished

brass, and the voice

of his words

like the voice of a multitude.

7. And I Daniel alone saw the vision: for the men

that were

with me saw not the vision;

but a great quaking fell upon them, so that they fled to hide themselves.

8. Therefore I was left alone, and saw this great vision, and there remained no strength in me: for my comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and

I retained no strength.

9. Yet heard I the voice of his words: and

when I heard the voice of his words. then was I in a deep sleep on my face, and my face toward

the ground.

10. And, behold.

an hand touched me, which set me upon my knees and upon the palms of my

hands.

11. And he said unto me, O Daniel, a man greatly beloved.

understand the words that I

speak unto thee,

and stand upright:

for unto thee am I now sent.

And when he had spoken this word unto me.

■ I stood trembling.

12. Then said he unto me.

Fear not, Daniel: for from I the first day that thou didst set thine heart to

understand, and to chasten thyself before thy God.

thy words were heard. and I am come for thy words.

13. But the prince of the kingdom of

Persia withstood me one and twenty days: but, lo,

Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me:

and I remained there with the kings of Persia.

14. Now I am come to make thee understand what shall befall thy people in the latter days:

for yet the vision is for many days.

15. And when he had spoken such words unto me.

I set my face toward the ground, and I became dumb.

16. And, behold.

one like the similitude of

the sons of men touched my lips: then I opened my mouth. and spake, and

said unto him that stood before me. O my lord, by the vision my sorrows are furned upon

me, and I have retained no strength.

17. For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? for as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me.

18. Then there came again and touched me *one* like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me,

19. And said.

O man greatly beloved,

fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea,

be strong. And when he had spoken unto me,

I was strengthened, and said, Let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.

20. Then said he, Knowest

thou wherefore Lcome

unto thee?

and now will I return to fight ■ with the prince of Persia:

and when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia

shall come.

21. But I will shew thee that

which is noted

in the scripture of truth: and

there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but

■ Michael your prince.

CHAPTER 11

Also I in the first year

of Darius the Mede, even

■ I. stood to confirm and

■ to strengthen him.

■ 2. And now will I shew thee

■ the truth. Behold.

■ I there shall stand up yet

■ three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer

than they all: and by his strength through his riches

he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

3. And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will,

4. And when he shall stand up,

his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward

the four winds of heaven:

and not to his posterity,

nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for

his kingdom shall be plucked up,

even for others beside those.

5. And the king of the south shall be strong, and *one* of

his princes; and he

shall be strong above him,

and have dominion;

his dominion shall be a great dominion.

6. And in the end of years

they shall join themselves together; for the king's

■ | daughter of the south shall

come to the king of the

north to make an

agreement: but she shall not

retain the power of the arm:

neither shall he

stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her. and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times.

But out of a branch of

her roots shall one stand up in his estate.

which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of

the north.

and shall deal against them,

and shall prevail:

And shall also

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into Egypt their gods, with

their princes, and with

their precious

vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north.

So the king of the south shall

come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

10. But his sons shall

be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of

great forces: and one shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred up, even to his fortress.

11. And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and

shall come forth

and fight with him, even with

the king of the north:

and he shall set forth a great multitude: but the multitude shall be given into his hand.

12. And when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down many ten thousands:

but he shall not be strengthened by it.

13. For the king of the north

shall return,

and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come after certain years

- with a areat army and with much riches.
- 14 And in those times there shall many stand up
- against the king of the south: also the robbers of thy
 - people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.
- 15. So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities:
- and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.
 - 16. But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will,
- and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.
 - 17. He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, corrupting her: but she shall not stand on his side, neither be for him.
- 18. After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him
- to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause it to turn upon him.
- 19. Then he shall turn his face.
- toward the fort of
- his own land: but he shall stumble and
- fall, and not be found.
 - 20. Then shall stand
 - up in his estate
- a raiser of taxes
- in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall
- be destroyed,
 - neither in anger, nor in battle.
- 21. And in his estate shall stand up a vile person.
 - to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom; but he
- shall come in peaceably,

and obtain the kinadom by flatteries.

- 22. And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.
- 23 **And**
- after the league made with him
- he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up.
- and shall
 - become strong with a small people.
- 24. He shall enter
- peaceably even upon
- the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers:
- he shall scatter among them the prey.
 - and spoil, and riches: vea.
- and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.
- 25. And he shall stir up his
- power and his courage
- against the king of the south with a great army;
- and the king of the south 6 shall be stirred up to battle
- with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for
- they shall forecast devices against him.
 - 26. Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow; and many shall fall down slain.
- 27. And both these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they
- shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not
- prosper: for yet the end *shall be* at
- the time appointed.
- 28. Then shall he return into his land with great riches;
- and his heart shall be
- against the holy covenant; and he shall do exploits.
 - and return to his own land.

- 29. At the time appointed he shall return, and come
- toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.
- 30. For the ships of Chittimshall come against him:

therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do;

- he shall even return, and
 have intelligence with
 them that forsake the
 holy covenant.
 - And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice.
- and they shall place
 the abomination that
 maketh desolate.
 - 32. And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries:
- but the people that do know their
- God shall be strong,■ and do exploits.
- 33. And they that
- understand among the people shall instruct many: yet
- they shall fall

by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, *many* days. 34. Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

35. And *some* of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make *them* white, *even* to the time of the end: because *it is* yet for a time appointed.

36. And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself.

and magnify himself

above every god, and shall speak marvellous things

■ against the

■ God of gods,
■ and shall prosper till the

indignation be

accomplished: for that that is

determined shall be done.

- 37. Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.
- 38. But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces:
- and a god whom his
- fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and
- silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.
 - 39. Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge *and* increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.
- 40. And at the time of the end shall the king of the
 south push at him:
- south push at him:
 and the king of the north shall
 come against him

like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships;

and he shall enter into the countries,

and shall overflow and pass over.

- 41. He shall enter also into the glorious land,
- and many countries
- shall be overthrown: but
- these shall escape out of his hand.
- even Edom, and
- Moab, and

the chief of the children of

- Ammon.
 - 42. He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries:
- and the land of Egypt shall not escape.
 - 43. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt:
- and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be
- at his steps.
- 44. But tidings out of the
- east and out of the
- north shall trouble him:
 - therefore he shall go forth
 - with great fury to destroy,

- and utterly to make away many. 45. And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain;
- yet he shall come to his
- end, and none
- shall help him.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. And at that time shall
 Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people:
- and there shall be a time of
- trouble, such as never was since there was a nation
 - even to that same time:
- and at that time
- thy people shall be delivered, every one
 - that shall be
- found written in the book.
- 2. And many of
- them that sleep

in the dust of the earth

- shall awake, some to
- everlasting life, and some
- to shame and
- everlasting contempt.
- 3. And they that be wise shall shine as the
- brightness of the
- firmament; and they that
- turn many to righteousness
 - as the stars for ever and ever.
 4. But thou, O Daniel, shut up the
 - 4. **But** thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and
- seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.
 - 5. **Then I** Daniel
- looked, and, behold,
- there stood other two,

the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.

■ 6. And one said to the man.

clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river.

- How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?

 7 And I heard the man
 - clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and
- sware by him that liveth for
 ever that it shall be for a
 time, times, and an half;
 and when he shall have
- accomplished to scatter
 the power of the holy
 people, all these thinas
- shall be finished.

 8. And theard, but
 - I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things?
- 9. And he said, Go thy way,
 Daniel: for the words are closed up and
- sealed till the time of the end.
 - Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and
- none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.
- 11. And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and
- the abomination that maketh desolate set up.
- there shall be a thousand two hundred and
- iwo nunarea arninety days.
- 12. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh
 - to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.
- 13. But go

thou thy way till the end be:

- for thou shalt rest, and
- stand in thy lot
- at the end of the days.

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- up Gomer forever, even in face of open adultery.
- Just as Hosea loved Gomer, and

could not denounce her forever, so God.

Hosea states.

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- forsake his
- unfaithful people.
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- of a jealous lover.
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- back His beloved into the lov of their first love. Israel's infidelity was in the form of idolatry and ignoring the needs of the poor.
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- atone for them. God would have to strip her and brake

her and he would

- But God stood ready
 - to forgive her for her transgressions
- if only she would forsake her evil and

return unto him.

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CHAPTER 1

- I 1 The word of the LORD that came unto Hosea, the son of Beeri, in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah, and in the days of Jeroboam the son of Joash, king of Israel.
 - 2. The beginning of the word of the LORD by Hosea. And the LORD said to Hosea.
- Go. take unto thee a wife of whoredoms
 - and children of whoredoms:
- for the land hath committed great whoredom.
- departing from the LORD.
- 3. So he went and
- took Gomer the
 - daughter of Diblaim: which conceived, and
- bare him a son.

- 4. And the LORD said unto him.
 - Call his name Jezreel: for yet a little while, and I will avenge the blood of
- Jezreel upon the house of Jehu, and will cause to cease the kingdom of the house of Israel.
- 5. And it shall come to pass at that day, that
- I will break the bow of Israel, in the valley
- of Jezreel.
- 6. And she conceived ■ | again, and bare
- a daughter.
- And God said unto him.
- Call her name
- Lo-ruhamah: for I will no more have mercy upon
 - the house of
 - Israel: but I will
- utterly take them away.
- 7. But I will have mercy
- **upon** the house of
- Judah, and will save them by the LORD their God, and will not save them by bow, nor by sword, nor by battle, by horses, nor by horsemen.
- 8. Now when she had weaned Lo-ruhamah,
- she conceived, and
- bare a son.

- 9. Then said God. Call his name Lo-ammi: for
 - ve are not my people, and
- I will not be your God.
 - 10. Yet the number of
- the children of Israel shall be as the sand of the sea, which
- cannot be measured nor
- numbered: and it

shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them. Ye are not my people, there

- it shall be said unto them.
- Ye are the sons of the
- living God.
- 11. Then shall the children of
- Judah and the children of
- Israel be gathered together, and
- appoint themselves
- one head, and they
- shall come up out of the
- land: for great shall be the
- day of Jezreel.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. Say ye unto your
- brethren, Ammi; and to your sisters, Ruhamah.
- 2. Plead with your mother,
 - plead: for she is not my wife. neither am I her husband:
- let her therefore
- put away her whoredoms
- out of her sight, and her adulteries
 - from between her breasts:
- 3. Lest I strip her naked, and set her as in the day that she was born,
- and make her as a
- wilderness, and set her like a dry land,
- and slay her with thirst.
- 4. And I will not have mercy
- upon her children; for they be the children of whoredoms.
- 5 FOI their mother. hath played the harlot:
- she that conceived them
- hath done shamefully: for
- she said, I will go after my
- lovers, that give me my bread and my water, my wool and my flax, mine oil and my drink.

6. Therefore, behold. I will hedge up thy way with ■ thorns, and make a wall, that

she shall not find her paths.

7. And she shall follow after

her lovers, but she

shall not overtake them:

> and she shall seek them. but shall not find them:

then shall she say.

I will go and

return to my first husband;

for then was it better

with me than now

8. For she did not know that

I gave her corn.

and wine, and oil.

and multiplied her silver and gold, which they prepared for Baal.

9. Therefore will I return, and take away my corn

in the time thereof.

and my

wine in the season thereof, and will recover my wool and my flax given to cover her nakedness.

10 And now

will I

discover her lewdness

in the sight of her lovers.

and none shall deliver her

out of mine hand 11 | Will also

cause all her mirth

to cease, her feast days.

her new moons, and her sabbaths. and all her solemn feasts.

12. And I will destroy

her vines and her

fig trees, whereof she hath said.

These are my rewards that my lovers have given me; and I will make them a forest and

the beasts of the field shall eat them.

■ 13. And I will visit upon her

the days of Baalim.

wherein she burned incense to them.

> and she decked herself with her earrings and her jewels.

and she went after her

lovers, and forgat me. saith the LORD.

Therefore, behold.

I will allure her, and bring her into the wilderness.

and speak comfortably unto her.

15. And I will give her her vineyards from thence, and the valley of Achor for a door of hope: and she shall sing there.

as in the days of

her youth, and as in the day

when she came up

out of the land of Egypt.

And it shall be at that day. saith the LORD, that

thou shalt call me Ishi: and shalt call me no more Baali.

17. For I will take away the names of

Baalim out of her mouth.

and they shall no more be remembered by their name.

18. And in that day will I make a covenant for them with the beasts of the field

and with the

fowls of heaven, and with the creeping things of the ground:

and I will break

the bow and the sword and the battle out of the earth. and will

make them to lie down safely.

19. And I will betroth thee

unto me for ever:

vea. I will betroth thee unto me in righteousness, and in judgment, and in lovingkindness, and in mercies.

20. I will even betroth thee unto me in faithfulness:

and thou shalt know the LORD.

21. And it shall come to pass

in that day, I will hear, saith the LORD.

I will hear the heavens, and they shall hear the

earth:

22. And the earth shall hear the corn, and the

- wine, and the oil;
 and they shall
 hear Jezreel.
 23. And I will sow
 her unto me in the earth:
- and I will have mercy upon her that had not obtained mercy;
- and I will say to them which
 were not my people, Thou
 art my people; and they
- shall say, *Thou art* my God.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Then said the LORD
 - unto me,
- Go yet, ■ love a wo
- love a woman beloved of her friend, yet
- an adulteress, according
- to the love of the LORD
- toward the children of
- Israel, who look to otherqods, and love flagons of wine.
 - 2. So I bought her to me for fifteen *pieces* of silver, and *for* an homer of barley, and an half homer of barley:
- 3. And I said unto her, Thou shalt abide for me many days;
- thou shalt not play the
- **harlot**, and thou shalt not be for another man: so will I also be for thee.
- 4. For the children of
- Israel shall abide many dayswithout a king,
 - and without a prince,
- and without a sacrifice,
- and without an image,
- and without an
- ephod, and without
- teraphim:
- 5. Afterward shall the children of
- the children of Israel return, and
- **seek** the LORD their
 - God, and David their king;
- and shall
- fear the LORD and his goodness in the latter days.

CHAPTER 4

- |■| 1. Hear the word of the
- LORD, ye children of Israel: for the LORD hath a controversy with the

- inhabitants of the land, because there is no truth, nor mercy.
- nor knowledge of God in the land.
 - 2. By swearing, and lying, and killing, and stealing, and committing adultery, they break out, and blood toucheth blood.
- 3. Therefore shall the land mourn, and every one that dwelleth therein
- shall languish, with
- the beasts of the field.
- and with
- the fowls of heaven;
- yea, the fishes of the sea
 also shall be taken away.
- 4. Yet let no man strive, nor reprove another:
- for thy people *are* as they that strive with the priest.
 - 5. Therefore shalt thou fall in the day, and the prophet also shall fall with thee in the night, and I will destroy thy mother.
- 6. My people are
 destroyed for lack
 of knowledge:
 because thou has
- because thou hast rejected knowledge,
 I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten
- the law of thy
- God, I will also forget thy children.
 - 7. As they were increased, so
- they sinned against me:therefore will I change their
 - glory into shame.
 8. They eat up the sin of my people, and they set their heart on their iniquity.
 - 9. And there shall be,
- like people, like priest: and
- I will punish them for their ways,
 - and reward them their doings.
- 10. For they shall eat, and
 not have enough: they shall
 commit whoredom, and
- shall not increase:
- because they have
- left off to take heed to

■ I the LORD.

11. Whoredom and wine and new wine take away the heart.

12. **My people** ask counsel at their stocks, and their staff declareth unto them: for the spirit of whoredoms hath caused *them* to

- err, and they have gone a-whoring
- from under
- their God.

13. They sacrifice upon the tops of the mountains, and burn incense upon the hills, under oaks and poplars and elms, because the shadow thereof *is* good: therefore

your daughters shall commit whoredom,

 and your spouses shall commit adultery.
 14. I will not punish your daughters when they

■ commit whoredom,

nor your spouses when

they commit adultery: for themselves

are separated with whores,

and they

sacrifice with harlots:

therefore the people that doth not understand shall fall.

■ 15. **Though** thou,

■ Israel, play the harlot, yet ■ let not Judah offend:

and come not ye unto Gilgal, neither go ye up to Beth-aven, nor swear, The LORD liveth.

16. For Israel slideth back as a backsliding heifer: now the LORD will feed them as a lamb in a large place.

■ 17. Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.

Their drink is sour: they have committed whoredom continually: her rulers with shame do love, Give ye.
 The wind hath bound her up in her wings.

and they shall be ashamed because of their sacrifices.

CHAPTER 5

- | 1. **Hear** ye
- this, O priests; and hearken.

ye house of Israel; and give ye ear, O house of the king; for judgment is toward you,
 because ye have been a snare on Mizpah, and a net spread upon

■ Tabor.

2. And the revolters are profound to make slaughter, though I have been a rebuker of them all.

3. I know Ephraim, and Israel is not hid from me: for now, O Ephraim, thou

committest whoredom,

4. They will not frame their doings to

■ turn unto their God:

for the spirit of whoredoms is in the midst of them, and they have not known the LORD.

5. And the pride of Israel doth testify to his face:

therefore shall Israel and
 Ephraim fall in their
 iniquity: Judah also shall fall
 with them.

6. They shall go with their flocks and with their herds to

 seek the LORD; but they shall not find him; he hath withdrawn himself from them.

7. They have dealt treacherously against the LORD: for they have begotten strange children: now shall a month devour them with their portions.

8. Blow ye the cornet in Gibeah,

and the trumpet in Ramah:
 cry gloud at Beth-aven,

affer thee, O Benjamin.
5. Ephraim shall be

desolate in the day of rebuke: among

the tribes of Israel have

■ I made known that ■ which shall surely

■ be.

■ 10. The princes of Judah were like them that

remove the bound:

therefore I will pour out my

I wrath upon them like water.

- 11. Ephraim is oppressed and broken in judgment, because he willingly walked after the commandment.
- 12. Therefore will I be unto Ephraim as a moth, and to the house of Judah as rottenness.
- 13. When Ephraim saw his sickness, and Judah saw
- sickness, and Judah saw his wound, then went
- Ephraim to the Assyrian, and
- sent to king Jareb: yet could he not heal you, nor cure you of your wound.
- 14. For I will be unto Ephraim
- **as a lion,** and as a young lion to the house of Judah: I, even
- I, will tear and go away;
- and none shall rescue him.
- 15. I will go and return to my place, till they
- acknowledge their offence, and seek my face: in their
- affliction they will seek me early.

CHAPTER 6

- I 1. Come, and let us
 - return unto the LORD: for
- he will heal us; he hath smitten,
- and he will
- bind us up.
 - 2. After two days will he revive us: in the third day he will raise us up,
- and we shall live
- in his sight.
- 3. Then shall we know, if we follow on to know
- the LORD: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth.
- 4. O Ephraim,

what shall I do unto thee?

- O Judah, what shall I do
- unto thee? for your
- goodness is as a morning cloud, and as the early dew it
- goeth away.
- 5. Therefore have I hewed them

by the prophets; I have

- slain them by the words of my mouth: and thy judgments
- are as the light that goeth forth.

 6. For I desired mercy, and
- not sacrifice; and the knowledge of God more than burnt offerings.
- 7. **But they** like men have
- transgressed the
- covenant: there have
- they dealt treacherouslyagainst me.
 - 8. Gilead is a city of them that work iniquity, and is polluted with blood.

 9. And as troops of
- 9. And as troops of robbers wait for a man, so
- the company of
- priests murder in the way
- by consent: for they
- commit lewdness.
- 10. I have seen an horrible thing in the house of
- Israel: there is the whoredom of Ephraim, Israel is defiled.
- 11. Also, O
- Judah, he hath set an harvest for thee, when I
- returned the captivity
- of my people.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. When I would have
- healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickedness of Samaria: for
- they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, and the troop of robbers spoileth without.
- 2. And they consider not in their hearts
 - that I remember all their
- wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about;
- they are before my face.
 - They make the king glad with their wickedness, and the princes with their lies.
 - 4. They are all adulterers, as an oven heated by the baker, who ceaseth from raising after he hath kneaded the dough, until it be leavened.
 - 5. In the day of our king the

princes have made him sick with bottles of wine; he stretched out his hand with scorners.

■ 6. For they have made ready their heart like an

OVEN, whiles they lie in wait: their baker sleepeth all the night:

in the morning it burneth as a flaming fire.

7. They are all hot as an oven,

■ and have

■ devoured their judges;

all their kings are fallen:

there is none among them that calleth unto me.

1 8. **Ephraim,** he

hath mixed himself among the people: Ephraim

is a cake not turned.

9. Strangers have

devoured his strength, and he knoweth *it* not:

yea, gray hairs are here and there upon him, yet he knoweth not.

10. And the pride of Israel testifieth to his face:

and they do not return to the LORD their God.

■ nor seek him for all this.

- 11. Ephraim also is like a silly dove without heart: they call to Egypt, they go to Assyria.
- 12. When they shall go, I will spread my net upon them;

■ I will bring them down as the fowls of the heaven:

I will chastise them, as their congregation hath heard.

13. Woe unto them!

for they have

fled from me: destruction unto them! because

they have transgressed

against me: though I have redeemed them, yet they have spoken lies against me.

■ 14. And they have not cried unto me with their heart.

when they howled upon their beds: they assemble themselves for corn and wine, and

they rebel against me.

■ 15. **Though I** have bound and

strengthened their arms,

they imagine mischief against me.

16. They return, but not to the most High: they

■ are like a

■ deceifful bow:

their princes shall fall by

■ the sword for the rage of their tongue:

■ this shall be their derision

■ in the land of

ı Egypt.

CHAPTER 8

1 1. Set the trumpet to thy

mouth. He shall come as an eagle against the house of the LORD, because

they have transgressed my

covenant, and trespassed against

my law.

2. Israel shall cry unto me.My God, we know thee.

3. Israel hath cast off the thing that is

good: the enemy shall pursue him.

4. They have set up kings.

4. They have set up kings, but not by me: they have made princes, and I knew it not:

of their silver and their gold have

■ They made them

idols, that they may be cut off.

5. Thy calf, O Samaria, hath cast *thee* off;

mine anger is kindled

against them: how long will it be ere they attain to innocency?

6. **FOI** from Israel was it also:

the workman made it;

the calf of Samaria

shall be broken in pieces.

7. For they have sown the wind, and they shall reap the whirlwind: it hath no stalk; the bud shall yield no meal: if so be it yield, the strangers shall swallow it up.

8. Israel is swallowed up: now

I shall they

- be among the Gentiles
 as a vessel wherein is
 no pleasure.
- For they are gone up to Assyria, a wild ass
- **alone** by himself:

Ephraim hath hired lovers.

- Yea, though they have hired among the nations,
- now will I gather them, and they shall sorrow a little for the burden of the king of princes.
 - 11. Because Ephraim hath made many altars to sin, altars shall be unto him to sin.
- 12. I have written to him the great things
- of my law, but they were counted as a strange thing.
- 13. They sacrifice flesh for the sacrifices of
- mine offerings, and eat it;
- but the LORD accepteth
- them not; now will he
- remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt.
- 14. For Israel hath forgotten
- his Maker, and buildeth temples; and Judah hath multiplied
- fenced cities: but I will send
- a fire upon his cities,
- and it shall
- devour the palaces
- thereof.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. Rejoice not, O Israel, for joy, as *other* people:
- for thou hast gone awhoring from thy God, thou hast loved a reward upon every cornfloor.
- 2. **The** floor and the
- winepress shall not feed
- **them,** and the new wine shall fail in her.
 - They shall not dwell in the LORD's land; but
- Ephraim shall return to
- Egypt, and they shall eat unclean things in
- Assyria.

- | 4. They shall not
- offer wine offerings
- to the LORD, neither shall they
- be pleasing unto him: their sacrifices shall be unto them as
 - sacrifices shall be unto them as the bread of mourners; all that eat thereof
- shall be polluted: for their bread for their soul shall not come into the house of the LORD.
 - 5. What will ye do in the solemn day, and in the day of the feast of the LORD?
 - For, lo, they are gone because of destruction:
- Egypt shall gather them up, Memphis shall bury them: the pleasant places for their silver,
- nettles shall possess them:
- thorns shall be in their tabernacles.
- 7. The days of visitation
- **are come**, the days of recompence are come;
- Israel shall know if: the prophet is a fool, the spiritual man is mad, for the multitude of thine iniquity, and the great hatred.
- 8. The watchman of Ephraim

 was with my
- God: *but* the prophet *is* a
- snare of a fowler in all his ways,
 - and hatred in the house of his God.
- 9. **They have** deeply
 - corrupted themselves, as in the days of Gibeah: therefore he will remember their iniquity.
 - he will visit their sins.
- 10. I found Israel like
- grapes in the wilderness;
- I saw your fathers as the firstripe in the fig tree at her first time:
- **but they** went to Baal-peor, and
- separated themselves unto that
- unto that shame:
- shame; and *their* abominations
- were according as
 - they loved.
- 11. As for Ephraim, their
- glory shall fly away like a
- **bird.** from the birth, and from the

womb, and from the conception.

12. Though they bring up ■ their children, yet

will I bereave them, that there shall not be a man left; yea, woe also to them when

I depart from them! 13. Ephraim,

as I saw Tyrus, is planted in a pleasant place: but Ephraim

shall bring forth

his children to the murderer.

14. Give them. O LORD: what wilt thou give? give them

a miscarrying womb

and dry breasts.

15. All their wickedness is in Gilgal: for there I hated them; for the wickedness of their doings I will drive them out of mine house.

I will love them no more:

all their princes are revolters.

16. **Ephraim is smitten,** their root is dried up, they shall bear no fruit: yea, though they bring forth, yet will I slay even the beloved fruit of their womb.

■ 17. My God will cast them away, because they did ■ not hearken unto him: and ■ they shall be wanderers ■ among the nations.

CHAPTER 10

■ 1. Israel is an empty vine, he

bringeth forth fruit unto himself: according to the multitude of his fruit

he hath increased the altars: according to the goodness of

his land they have made goodly

images.

2. Their heart is divided: now shall they be found faulty:

he shall break down their altars, he shall spoil

■ their images.

■ 3. **For** now they shall

say, We have no king. because we feared

not the LORD:

what then should a king do to us?

4. They have spoken words, swearing

falsely in makina a covenant: thus judgment springeth up

as hemlock in the furrows of the field.

The inhabitants of Samaria shall

fear because of

the calves of Beth-aven: for

the people thereof shall mourn over it, and the priests

thereof that rejoiced on it.

for the glory thereof, because it is departed from it.

6. It shall be also

carried unto Assyria for a

present to king Jareb:

Ephraim shall receive shame.

and Israel shall be

ashamed of his own counsel.

7. As for Samaria, her king is cut off as the foam upon the water.

8. The high places also of Aven, the sin of Israel,

shall be destroyed:

the thorn and the thistle shall come up on their altars:

8 and they shall say to the mountains. Cover us:

and to the

hills. Fall on us.

9. O Israel, thou hast sinned from the days of

Gibeah: there they stood:

the battle in Gibeah

against the children of iniquity

did not overtake them.

10. It is in my desire that I

should

chastise them; and the people shall be gathered against them,

when they shall

bind themselves in their two furrows.

11. And Ephraim is as an heifer that is taught, and loveth to tread out the corn: but I passed over upon her fair neck: I will make Ephraim to ride:

Judah shall plow, and Jacob shall

break his clods

12. **Sow** to yourselves

in righteousness, reap in

mercy; break up your fallow ground: for *it is* time to

- seek the LORD, till he come and rain righteousness upon you.
- 13. Ye have plowed
 wickedness, ye have
 reaped iniquity:

ye have eaten the fruit of lies:

- because thou didst trust
- in thy way, in the multitude of thy mighty men.
- 14. Therefore shall a tumult arise among thy people, and all
- thy forfresses shall be spoiled, as Shalman spoiled Beth-arbel in the day of battle: the mother was dashed in pieces upon ber children.
- 15. So shall Beth-el do unto you because of your great wickedness: in a morning shall
- the king of Israel utterly be cut off.

CHAPTER 11

- | 1. When Israel
- was a child, then
- I loved him, and called my son out of Egypt.
- 2. As they called them, so
- they went from them: they
- sacrificed unto Baalim,
- and burned incense to
- graven images.
 - 3. I taught
- Ephraim also to go, taking them by their arms; but they
- knew not that I
- healed them.
- 4. I drew them with cords of a man, with bands of
- Iove: and I was to them as they that take off the yoke on their jaws,
- and I laid meat unto them.
 - He shall not return into the land of Egypt, and
- the Assyrian shall
 - be his king, because they refused to return.

- 6. And the sword shall
- abide on his cities, and shall consume his branches, and **devour** them.
- devour them, because of their own counsels.

■ 7. And my people are bent to

- backsliding from me: though they called them to the most High, none at all would exalt him.
- 8. How shall I give thee up, Ephraim? how shall I deliver thee, Israel? how shall I make thee as Admah? how shall I set thee as Zeboim?

mine heart is turned within

- me, my repentings are kindled together.
- 9. I will not execute the fierceness of mine anger, I will not return to
- destroy Ephraim:
- for I am God, and not man;
- the Holy One in the
- midst of thee: and I will not enter into the city.
- 10. They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion; when
- LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west.
- 11. They shall tremble as a bird out of Egypt, and as a dove out of the land of Assyria:
- and I will place them
- in their houses, saith the LORD.
- 12. Ephraim compasseth
- me about
- with lies, and the house of
- Israel with deceit: but
- Judah yet ruleth with God, and
- is faithful with the saints.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. **Ephraim** feedeth on wind, and followeth after the east wind: he
- daily increaseth lies and desolation; and they do make a
- desolation; and they do make a covenant with the Assyrians, and oil is carried into Egypt.
- 2. The LORD hath also
- a controversy with Judah,
- Jacob according to his ways; according to his doings will he

recompense him.

3. He

took his brother by the heel in the womb, and by his strength ■ he had power with God:

4. Yea, he had power over the angel, and prevailed: he wept, and made supplication unto him; he found him in Beth-el, and there he spake with us.

5 Even the LORD

God of hosts: the LORD

is his memorial.

6. Therefore turn thou

to thy God: keep mercy and judgment and

wait on thy

God continually.

7. He is a merchant, the balances of deceit are in his hand: he loveth to oppress.

8. And Ephraim said, Yet

I am become

rich. I have found me out substance: in all my labours they shall find none

iniquity in me that were sin.

9. And I that am

the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt

will yet make thee to

dwell in tabernacles.

as in the days of the solemn feast.

10. I have also

spoken by the prophets, and I have multiplied

visions, and used similitudes, by the ministry of the prophets.

11 Is there iniquity in

Gilead? surely they are vanity: they sacrifice bullocks in Gilgal; yea,

their altars are as

heaps in the furrows of

the fields.

12. And Jacob fled into the country of Syria, and Israel served for a wife.

and for a wife he ■ kept sheep.

■ 13. And by a prophet the LORD brought

Israel out of Egypt, and by a prophet

Was he

preserved.

14. Ephraim provoked him to anger most bitterly: therefore shall he leave his blood upon him. and his reproach shall his

LORD return unto him.

CHAPTER 13

1. When Ephraim spake trembling, he exalted

himself in Israel: •

but when he offended in Baal, he died.

2. And now they sin

more and more.

and have made them molten images of their silver, and

idols according to their own understanding, all of it the work of the craftsmen:

they say of them.

Let the men that sacrifice kiss the calves.

3. Therefore they shall be as the morning cloud and as the early dew that passeth away. as the chaff that is driven with the whirlwind out of the floor, and

as the smoke out of the chimney.

4. Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt.

and thou shalf know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me.

> I did know thee in the wilderness. in the land of great drought.

According to their pasture. so were they filled:

they were filled, and their heart was exalted; therefore have they forgotten me.

> Therefore I will be unto them as a lion; as a leopard by the way will I observe them:

8. I will meet them as a bear that is bereaved of her whelps, and will rend the caul of their heart, and there will I

devour them like a lion:

the wild beast shall tear them.

9. O Israel, thou hast destroyed thyself; but

I in me is thine help.

10. I will be thy king:

where is any other that may save thee in all thy cities? and thy judges of whom thou saidst, Give me a king and princes?

11. I gave thee a king in mine anger, and took him

away in my wrath.

12. The iniquity of

■ Ephraim is bound up; his sin is hid

■ 13. The sorrows of a travailing woman

shall come upon him:

he is an unwise son; for he should not stay long in the place of the breaking forth of children.

■ 14. I will ransom

them from the power of the grave;

I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plaques:

O grave, I will be

thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes.

15. **Though he be fruitful**among *his* brethren, an east wind shall come, the wind of the LORD shall come up from the wilderness, and

come up from the wilderness, and
his spring shall become
dry, and his fountain shall be dried
up: he shall spoil the treasure of all
pleasant vessels.

■ 16. Samaria shall become

desolate; for she hath rebelled against her

God: they shall fall by the sword: their infants shall be dashed in pieces, and their women with

child shall be ripped up.

CHAPTER 14

■ | 1. O israel, return unto the

LORD thy God; for thou

hast fallen by thine iniquity.

2. Take with you words, and turn to the LORD:

Say unto him,

Take away all iniquity, and receive us graciously: so will we render the calves of our lips

3. Asshur shall not save us; we will not ride upon horses: neither will we say any more to the work of our hands, *Ye are* our gods:

for in thee the fatherless

findeth mercy.

■ backsliding, I will love

■ | backsilding, i will love ■ | them freely:

■ for mine anger is turned

away from him.

5. I will be as the dew untoIsrael: he shall grow as the lily, and

cast forth his roots as Lebanon.

6. His branches shall

spread, and his beauty shall be as the olive tree.

and his smell as Lebanon.

7. They that dwell under his shadow shall return; they shall revive as the corn, and grow as the vine: the scent thereof shall be as the wine of Lebanon.

8. Ephraim shall say,

What have I to do any more with idols?

I have heard *him*, and observed him: I *am* like a green fir tree. From me is thy fruit found.

9 Who is wise, and he shall understand these things?

■ prudent, and he

shall know them? for

■ the ways of the LORD are right,

■ and the just

shall walk in them:

■ but the transgressors

■ shall fall therein.

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CHAPTER 1

- Li The word of the LOBD that
- came to Joel the son of Pethuel
- 2 Hear this.
- ye old men, and give ear, all ye inhabitants of the land.
- Hath this been in your days.

or even in the days of your fathers?

- 3. Tell ye
- your children of it, and let your children tell their children, and their children another generation.
 - 4. That which the palmerworm hath left hath the locust eaten; and that which the locust hath left hath the cankerworm eaten; and that which the cankerworm hath left hath the caterpillar eaten.
- 5. Awake, ye drunkards, and weep; and howl, all ye drinkers of wine, because of the new wine, for it is cut off from your mouth.
- 6. For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth are the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.
- 7. He hath laid my vine waste, and barked my fig tree: he hath made it clean bare, and cast it away; the branches thereof are made white.
- 8. Lament like a virgin

girded with sackcloth for the husband of her youth.

- 9. The meat offering
- and the
- drink offering is cut off from the house of the LORD;
- the priests, the LORD's ministers,
- mourn.
- 10. The field is wasted, the land mourneth; for the corn is wasted:
- the new
- wine is
- dried up, the oil languisheth.
- 11. Be ve ashamed, O ye husbandmen:
 - howl, O ye vinedressers, for the wheat and for the barley:

because the harvest of the field

is perished.

- 12. The vine is dried up. and the fig tree languisheth: the pomegranate tree, the palm tree also, and the apple tree.
- even all
- the trees of the field.
- are withered: because joy is withered away from the sons of men. 13. Gird vourselves, and
- lament, ye priests: howl,
- ye ministers
- of the altar: come.
- lie all night
- in sackcloth, ye ministers of my God: for the meat offering and the drink offering is withholden from the house of your God.
- 14. Sanctify ye
- a fast, call a solemn assembly,
- gather the elders and all
- the inhabitants of the land
- into the house of the LORD your God, and cry
- unto the LORD.
 - 15. Alas for the day!
- for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a
- destruction from the Almighty
- shall it
- come.
- 16. Is not the meat cut off before our eyes, yea, joy and gladness from the house of our God?
 - 17. The seed is rotten under their clods, the garners are laid desolate, the barns are broken down: for
- the corn is withered.
- 18. **How** do
- the beasts aroan!
- the herds of cattle are perplexed.
- because they have no pasture; yea, the flocks of sheep are made desolate.
 - 19. O LORD, to thee will I
- CIV: for the fire hath devoured the pastures of the wilderness. and the flame hath burned all the trees of the field.
- 20 The beasts of the field

- | cry also unto thee:
- for the rivers of waters
- are dried up, and the
- fire hath devoured
- the pastures of the wilderness.

CHAPTER 2

- Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and
- sound an alarm in my holy mountain:
 - let all the inhabitants
 - tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh.

for it is nigh at hand:

- 2. A day of darkness and of gloominess, a day of clouds and of thick darkness, as the morning
- spread upon the mountains: a great
- **people** and a strong:
 - there hath not been ever the like, neither shall be

any more after it, even to the years of many generations.

- A fire devoureth before them; and behind them a flame burneth:
- the land is as the garden of Eden
 before them, and behind them a desolate wilderness; yea.
- and nothing shall
- escape them.
- 4 The appearance of
- them is as the appearance
- of horses; and as horsemen, so shall
- they run.
- 5. Like the noise of chariots on the tops of mountains shall they leap, like the noise of a flame of fire that devoureth the stubble,
- as a strong peopleset in battle array.
 - 6. Before their face
- the people shall be much pained:

all faces shall gather blackness.

- 7. They shall run like mighty men; they shall climb the wall
- like men of war; and they shall march every one on his ways, and
 - they shall not break

their ranks:

- 8. Neither shall one thrust another; they shall walk every one in his path:
- and when they fall upon
 the sword, they shall not
 be wounded.
 - They shall run to and fro in the city; they shall run upon the wall, they shall climb up upon the houses; they shall enter in at the windows like a thief.
- 10. The earth shall quake before them; the heavens shall tremble: the sun and the moon shall be dark, and the stars shall withdraw their shining:
- 11. And the LORD shall utter his voice before his army: for his camp is very great: for he is

strong that executeth his word: for the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and

- who can abide it?
- 12. Therefore also now,
 saith the LORD, turn ye even
 to me with all your heart, and
 with fasting, and with
- weeping, and with mourning:
 - 13. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God:
- for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger.
- and of great kindness,
 and repenteth him
- of the evil.
- 14. Who knoweth if
- he will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind
 - him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the LORD your God?
- 15. Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly:
- 16. Gather the people,
 sanctify the congregation,
 assemble the elders, gather the

assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet.

- 17. **Lef** the priests,
- the ministers of the

LORD, weep between the porch and the altar. and let them

say, Spare thy people,

> O LORD, and give not thine heritage to reproach,

that the heathen should rule over them; wherefore should they

say among the people,

Where is their God?

18. Then will the LORD be

iealous for his land.

and pity his people. 19. Yea, the LORD

will answer and

say unto his people, Behold, I will

send you

corn, and wine, and oil,

and ve shall be satisfied therewith:

and I will no more make you a reproach among

the heathen: 20. But I will remove

far off from you

■ the northern army, and will drive him into a land barren

and desolate, with his face toward the east sea.

and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up.

because he hath done great things.

■ 21. Fear not.

O land; be glad and rejoice:

for the LORD will do great things.

22. Be not afraid, ye beasts of the field: for

the pastures of the wilderness

■ do spring, for

the tree beareth her fruit.

the fig tree and the vine do yield their strength.

■ 23. Be glad then, ye children of Zion.

and rejoice in the LORD your God:

i for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain,

■ the former rain, and the

latter rain in the first month.

24 And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the

vats shall overflow

with wine and oil.

25. And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, my great army which I sent among you.

26. And ve shall eat in plenty, and

be satisfied, and praise the name of

the LORD your God.

that hath dealt wondrously

with you: and my people shall never be ashamed.

27. And ve shall

know that

I am in the midst of Israel.

and that I am the LORD your God. and none else; and

my people shall never be ashamed.

28. **And** it shall come to pass afterward, that

I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your

sons and your

daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams,

your young men shall see visions: And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.

30. And I will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and

pillars of smoke. 31. The sun shall be

turned into darkness, and the moon into

blood, before the great and the

terrible day of the

LORD come.

32. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall

call on the name of the

LORD shall be delivered:

for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the LORD

hath said, and in the remnant whom the LOAD shall call.

CHAPTER 3

- I 1. For, behold.
- in those days. and in that time, when
 - I shall bring again the
- captivity of Judah
- and Jerusalem.
- 2. I will also
 - gather all nations. and will bring them down
- into the valley of
- Jehoshaphat, and will .
- plead with them there
- for my people
 - and for my heritage
- Israel, whom they have
- scattered among the nations, and parted my land.
- 3. And they have cast lots
- for my people; and have
- given a boy for an harlot. and sold a girl for wine,
 - that they might drink. 4. Yea, and what have ye to do with me, O Tyre, and Zidon, and all the coasts of Palestine? will ve
 - render me a recompence? and if ve recompense me, swiftly and speedily will I return your recompence upon your own head; 5. Because ye have
- taken my silver and my gold, and have carried
 - into your temples
- my goodly pleasant things:
- 6. The children also of
- Judah and the children of Jerusalem have ve sold
 - unto the Grecians, that ve might remove them
- far from their border.
- 7. Behold, I will raise them out of the place whither ye have sold them, and will return your recompence upon your own head:
- 8 And I will sell your sons and your
- - daughters into the hand of the children of Judah, and they shall sell them to the Sabeans

to a people far off:

for the LORD hath spoken it.

- 9. Proclaim ye this among the Gentiles: Prepare war.
- wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near: let them
- come up:
- 10. Beat your plowshares into swords and your
- pruninghooks into spears: let the weak say, I am strong.
 - 11. Assemble yourselves,
 - and come, all ye heathen, and gather yourselves together round about: thither cause thy mighty ones to come down. O LORD.
- 12. Let the heathen be wakened, and
 - come up
 - to the valley of
- Jehoshaphat: for
 - there will I sit to
- iudae all
 - the heathen round about.
- 13. **Put** ye
- in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe; come, get you down; for the press is full, the fats overflow, for
 - their wickedness is great.
- 14. Multitudes, multitudes in the valley of decision:
- for the day of the LORD is near in the valley of decision.
 - 15. The sun and the moon shall be darkened, and the stars shall withdraw their shining.
- 16. The LORD also
- shall roar out of Zion, and
- utter his voice from Jerusalem:
- and the heavens and the earth shall shake:
- but the LORD will be the hope of his people, and the strength of the children of Israel.
- 17. So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain:
- then shall Jerusalem
- be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.
 - 18. And it shall come to pass
 - in that day, that

the mountains
new wine, and the hills
with waters, and a fountain
shall come forth

- of the house
- of the LORD, and
- shall water the
- valley of Shittim.
- 19. Egypt shall be a desolation, and Edom shall be a

- desolate wilderness, for the violence against the children of Judah,
 - because they have shed innocent blood
- in their land.
- 20. But Judah shall dwell for ever, and Jerusalem from generation to generation.
- 21. For I will cleanse
- their blood that I have not cleansed:
- for the LORD dwelleth in Zion.

THE BOOK OF AMOS

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OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- I. The Nation Denounced
- II. The Condemnation
 of Israel, and
 the Prophecies About
 a Future
 Restoration Through the
 Messiah
 3:1—9:15

- I 1. The words of Amos. who was among the herdmen of Tekoa. which he saw
- concerning Israel in the ■ days of Uzziah kina of
- Judah, and in the days of
- Jeroboam the son of Joash ■ king of Israel, two years
- before the earthquake.
- 2. And he said, The LORD
- | will roar from Zion, and
- utter his voice from Jerusalem: and the habitations of the
- shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.
- 3. Thus saith the LORD: For ■ three transgressions of
- Damascus, and for four.
- I will not turn away the
- punishment thereof;because they have ■ I threshed Gilead with
- threshina instruments of iron:
 - 4. But I will send a fire into the house of Hazael, which shall devour the palaces of Ben-hadad.
 - 5. I will break also the bar of Damascus, and cut off the inhabitant from the plain of Aven, and him that holdeth the sceptre from the house of Eden: and the people of Syria shall go into captivity unto Kir, saith the LORD.
- 6. Thus saith the LORD:
- For three transgressions ■ of Gaza, and for four, ■ I will not turn away the
- punishment thereof;
- because they carried away captive
- the whole captivity. to deliver them up
 - to Edom:
 - 7. But I will send a fire on the wall of Gaza, which shall devour the palaces thereof:
 - 8. And I will cut off the inhabitant from Ashdod, and him that holdeth the sceptre from Ashkelon, and I will turn mine hand against Ekron: and the remnant of the Philistines

shall perish, saith the Lord GOD

- 9. Thus saith the LORD:
- For three transgressions of Tyrus, and
- for four, I will not turn away
- the punishment thereof: because they delivered up
- the whole captivity to
- Edom, and remembered not the brotherly covenant:
 - 10. But I will send a fire on the wall of Tyrus, which shall devour the palaces thereof.
- 11. Thus saith the LORD: For three transgressions
- of Edom, and for four, I will not
- turn away the
- **punishment** thereof:
- because he did
- pursue his brother with
 - the sword, and did cast off all pity, and his anger did tear perpetually, and he kept his wrath for ever:
 - 12. But I will send a fire upon Teman, which shall devour the palaces of Bozrah.
- 13. Thus saith the LORD: For three transgressions of the children
- of Ammon, and
- for four. I will not
- turn away the
- punishment thereof;
- because they have ripped
- up the women with child of Gilead, that they might
- enlarge their border:
 - 14. But I will kindle a fire in the wall of Rabbah, and it shall devour the palaces thereof, with shouting in the day of battle, with a tempest in the day of the whirlwind:
 - 15. And their king shall go into captivity, he and his princes together, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 1. Thus saith the LORD; For
- three transgressions of
- Moab, and for four,
- I will not turn away the **punishment** thereof;

because he burned the bones of the king of Edom into lime:

- 2. But I will send a fire upon Moab, and it shall devour the palaces of Kirioth: and Moab shall die with tumult, with shouting, and with the sound of the trumpet:
- 3. And I will cut off the judge from the midst thereof, and will slay all the princes thereof with him, saith the LORD.
- 4. Thus saith the LORD;
 For three transgressions
 of Judah, and for four, I will not
 turn away the punishment thereof:
- because they have
 despised the law of the
 LORD, and have not kept
 his commandments.

and their lies caused them to err, after the which their fathers have walked:

- But I will send a fire upon Judah, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem.
- 6. Thus saith the LORD;
- For three transgressions of Israel, and for four, I will not turn away the punishment thereof;
- because they sold the righteous for silver, and the poor for a pair of shoes;
 - 7. That pant after the dust of the earth on the head of the poor, and turn aside the way of the meek: and a man and his father
- will go in unto the same maid.
- to profane my holy name:
- 8. And they lay themselves downupon clothes laid to
- pledge by every altar,and they drink the
- and they drink the
- condemned in the houseof their god.
 - 9. Yet destroyed I the
 - Amorite before them, whose height was like the height of the cedars, and he was strong as the oaks; yet I destroyed his fruit from above, and his roots from beneath.
 - 10. Also I brought you up from the land of

- Egypt, and led you forty
 years through the
 wilderness, to passess the let
 - wilderness, to possess the land of the Amorite.
 - 11. And I raised up of your sons for prophets, and of your young men for
- Nazarites. Is it not even thus, O ye children of Israel? saith the LORD.
- 12. But ye gave the
- Nazarites wine to drink;
 and commanded the
- prophets, saying,
 Prophesy not.

that is full of sheaves.

- 13. Behold, I am pressed under you, as a cart is pressed
 - 14. Therefore the flight shall perish from the swift, and the strong shall not strengthen his force, neither shall the mighty deliver himself:
 - 15. Neither shall he stand that handleth the bow; and he that is swift of foot shall not deliver himself: neither shall he that rideth the horse deliver himself.
 - 16. And he that is courageous among the mighty shall flee away naked in that day, saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Hear this word that
- the LORD hath spokenagainst you, O children of
- IsrOel, against the whole family which I brought up from the land of Egypt, saying,
- 2. You only have I known of all the families of the earth:
- therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.
- 3. Can two walk together,
- except they be agreed?
- 4. Will a lion roar in the forest,
 when he hath no prey?
 will a young lion cry out of his den,

if he have taken nothing?

- 5. Can a bird fall
- in a snare upon the earth,
- where no gin is for him? shall one take up a snare from the earth, and have taken nothing at all?
 - 6. Shall a trumpet

- be blown in the city.
- and the people not be
- afraid? shall there be evil in a city. and the LORD hath not done it?
- 7. Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he
- revealeth his secret
- unto his servants the
- prophets.
 - 8. The lion hath roared. who will not fear?
- the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy?
- 9. Publish in the palaces at Ashdod, and in the palaces in the land of Egypt,
- and say, Assemble
- vourselves upon the mountains of Samaria.
- and behold the great
- **tumults** in the midst thereof,
- and the oppressed in the midst thereof.
- 10. For they know not to do
- right, saith the LORD, who store up violence and robbery in their palaces.
- 11. Therefore

thus saith the Lord GOD:

- An adversary there shall be even round about the land; and he
- shall bring down
- thy strength from thee, and thy palaces
- shall be spoiled.
- 12. Thus saith the LORD;
- As the shepherd taketh out of the mouth of the lion

two legs, or a piece of an ear:

- so shall the children of
- Israel be taken out that ı
- dwell in Samaria
 - in the corner of a bed.
- and in Damascus in a couch.
 - 13. Hear ye, and testify in the house of Jacob, saith the Lord GOD, the God of hosts.
 - 14. That in the day that
- 1 shall visit the
- transgressions of Israel upon him I will also visit
- the altars of Beth-el: and
 - the horns of the altar shall
- **be cut off.** and fall to the ground.

- 15. And I will smite the winter house with the summer house: and the houses of ivory shall perish, and
- the great houses shall have an end.
- saith the LORD.

CHAPTER 4

- Hear this word.
- ve kine of Bashan, that are in the mountain of Samaria.
- which oppress the poor. which crush the needy.
- which say to their masters. Bring, and
- let us drink.
- 2. The Lord GOD hath sworn by his holiness, that, lo, the days shall come upon you,
- that he will take you away with hooks, and your
 - posterity with fishhooks.
- 3. And ye shall go out at
- the breaches, every cow at that which is before her; and
 - ve shall cast them
- into the palace. saith the LORD.
- 4. Come to Beth-el.
- and transgress; at Gilgal multiply transgression;
- and bring your sacrifices every morning, and your tithes after three vears:
 - 5. And offer a sacrifice
- of thanksgiving with leaven,
- and proclaim and publish the free offerings: for this
- liketh you, O ye children of Israel,
- saith the Lord GOD.
 - 6. And I also have given you cleanness of teeth in all your cities,
- and want of bread in all your places: yet have ye not returned
- unto me, saith the LORD.
- And also I have
- withholden the rain

from you, when there were yet three months to the harvest: and

- I caused it to rain upon one
- city, and caused it not to rain upon another city: one
 - piece was rained upon, and the piece

whereupon it rained not withered.

- 8 So two or three
- cities wandered unto one city, to drink water; but they were not satisfied:

vet have ve not returned unto me. saith the LORD.

9 I have smitten you with blasting and mildew:

when your gardens and your vinevards and your fig trees and your olive trees increased, the palmerworm devoured them:

- yet have ye not returned
- unto me, saith the LORD.
 - 10. I have sent among you the pestilence after the manner

of Egypt: your young men have I slain with the sword, and have taken away your horses; and I have made the stink of your camps to come up unto your nostrils:

- vet have ve not returned unto me, saith the LORD.
- 11. I have overthrown some
- of you, as God overthrew
- Sodom and Gomorrah. and ye were as a firebrand
- plucked out of the burning: yet have ye not returned
- unto me, saith the LORD.
 - 12. Therefore
 - thus will I do unto thee. O Israel: and because I
 - will do this unto thee.
- prepare to meet thy God.
 - 13. For, lo, he that formeth the mountains, and createth the wind, and declareth unto man what is his thought, that maketh the morning darkness, and treadeth upon the high places of the earth, The LORD, The God of hosts, is his name.

CHAPTER 5

1. Hear ye this word which I take up against you,

even a lamentation,

- O house of Israel.
- 2. The virgin of Israel is
- fallen; she shall no more rise:
- she is forsaken upon her land:

there is none to raise her up.

- 3. For thus saith the Lord GOD:
- The city that went out by
 - a thousand shall leave an hundred, and that which went forth by an hundred shall leave ten, to the house of Israel
 - 4 For thus saith the LORD unto the house of Israel.
- Seek ve me, and ve shall live:
 - 5. But seek not Beth-el, nor enter into Gilgal, and pass not to Beer-sheba: for Gilgal shall surely go into captivity, and Beth-el shall come to nought.
- 6. Seek the LORD. and ve shall live:
- lest he break out like fire in the house of Joseph. and devour it, and there be
- none to guench it in Beth-el. 7. Ye who turn judament to wormwood, and
- leave off righteousness in the earth.
- 8. Seek him that maketh the seven stars and O-rion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning.

and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea. and poureth them out upon the face of the earth:

The LORD is his name:

- 9. That strengtheneth the spoiled against the strong, so that the spoiled shall come against the fortress.
- 10. They hate him that rebuketh in the gate, and they abhor him that speaketh uprightly.
- 11. Forasmuch therefore as your treading is upon the poor, and ye take from him burdens of wheat:
- ve have built houses of hewn stone, but ve shall not dwell in them; ye have planted pleasant

- vineyards, but ye shall not drink wine of them.
 - 12. For I know your manifold transgressions, and your mighty
- sins: they afflict the just, they take a bribe, and they turn aside

the poor in the gate from their right.

13. Therefore the prudent shall **keep silence** in that time:

for it is an evil time.

■ 14. Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live:

and so the LORD. the God of hosts.

shall be with you, as ve have spoken.

15. **Hate** the

evil. and love the good, and establish

judgment in the gate:

it may be that the LORD

God of hosts

will be gracious

unto the remnant of Joseph.

16. Therefore the LORD. the God of hosts, the LORD.

saith thus:

| Wailing *shall be* in all

streets; and they shall say in all the highways, Alas! alas!

and they shall

call the husbandman to mourning, and such as are skilful of lamentation to wailing.

> 17. And in all vineyards shall be wailing:

for I will pass through thee, saith the LORD.

18. Woe unto you that desire the day of the LORD! to what end is

if for you? the day of the LORD

is darkness, and not light.

19. As if a man did flee from a lion.

and a bear met him; or went into the house, and leaned his hand on the wall, and

a serpent bit him. 20. Shall not the day of the LORD

be darkness, and not light? even very dark, and no brightness in it? 21. I hate.

I despise

your feast days, and I will not smell in your solemn assemblies. 22. Though ye offer me burnt

offerings and

VOUI meat

offerings, I will not accept

them: neither will I regard the peace offerings of your fat beasts.

23. Take thou

away from me

the noise of thy songs; for I will not hear the melody of thy viols.

24. But let judament run

down as waters, and righteousness as a mighty střeam.

25. Have

ve offered unto me

sacrifices and offerings in the wilderness

forty years, O house of Israel?

But ve have borne the tabernacle of your Moloch and Chiun

your images.

the star of your god, which ye made

to yourselves.

27. Therefore will I cause

you to go into captivity beyond Damascus,

saith the LORD,

whose name is The God of hosts.

CHAPTER 6

1. Woe to them that are at ease in Zion, and trust in the mountain of Samaria, which are named

chief of the nations, to whom the house of Israel came!

2. Pass ye unto Calneh, and see; and from thence go ve to Hamath the great: then go down to Gath of the Philistines: be they better than these kingdoms? or their border greater than your border?

3. Ye that put far away the evil day, and cause the seat of violence to come near;

4. That lie upon beds of ivory, and stretch

themselves upon their

couches, and eat the

lambs out of the flock.

and the

calves out of the midst of the stall;

5. That chant

to the sound of the viol,

- and invent to themselves instruments of music. like David:
- 6. That drink wine in bowls.
 - and anoint themselves with the chief
- ointments: but they
- are not grieved for the affliction of Joseph.
 - 7. Therefore now shall
- they go captive

with the first that go captive,

and the banquet

of them that stretched themselves

- shall be removed. ■i
- 8. The Lord GOD
- hath sworn by himself.

saith the LORD the God of hosts.

- abhor the excellency of
- Jacob, and hate
- his palaces: therefore will I deliver up the city
 - with all that is therein.
- And it shall come to pass.
- if there remain ten men ■ in one house, that they
- shall die.
- 10. And a man's uncle shall take him up,

and he that burneth him,

- to bring out the bones out of the house.
- and shall say unto him that is
- by the sides of the
- house, Is there yet any with thee? and he shall say,

No. Then shall he say.

- Hold thy tongue: for
- we may not make
- mention of the name of
- the LORD.
 - 11. For, behold.
- the LORD commandeth, and he will smite the great house
 - with breaches.
- and the
- little house with clefts.
 - 12. Shall horses run upon the rock? will one plow there with oxen?
- for ye have turned judgment into gall, and the fruit of
- righteousness into

hemlock:

- 13. Ye which rejoice in a thing of nought, which say, Have we not taken to us horns by our own strength?
- 14. But, behold, I will raise up against you a
- nation, O house of Israel, saith the LORD the God of hosts:
- and they shall afflict you
- from the entering in of
- Hemath unto the river of
 - the wilderness.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Thus hath
 - the Lord GOD
- shewed unto
- me; and, behold, he formed grasshoppers in the beginning of the shooting up of the latter growth; and lo it was
- the latter growth after the
- king's mowings.
- 2. And it came to pass, that when they had
- made an end of eating the
 - grass of the land, then said, O Lord GOD, forgive, I
- beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob
- arise? for he is small. The LORD repented for this:
- It shall not be, saith the LORD.
- Thus hath.
- the Lord GOD
- shewed unto
- me: and, behold, the Lord GOD
- called to contend by
- fire, and it
- devoured the great deep, and did eat up a part.
- 5. Then said I, O Lord GOD.
- cease, I beseech thee: by whom shall Jacob
- arise? for he is small.
- The LORD repented for this: This also shall not be.
 - saith the Lord GOD.
 - Thus he shewed me:
 - and, behold.

- the LORD stood upon a
 - wall made by a plumbline,
 - with a plumbline in his hand.

- 8 And the LORD
- said unto me
- Amos, what seest thou? ■ And I said, A plumbline.
- Then said the LORD, Behold,
- I will set a plumbline in the midst of my people
- Israel: I will not again
- pass by them any more:
- 9. And the high places of
 - Isaac shall be desolate.
- and the sanctuaries of
- Israel shall be laid waste: ■ and I will rise against
 - the house of Jeroboam with the sword.
- 10. **Then** Amaziah
- the priest of Beth-el
- sent to Jeroboam
- king of Israel,
- saving, Amos hath
- conspired against thee in the midst of the house of Israel:
- the land is not able to
- bear all his words.
- 11. For thus
- Amos saith, Jeroboam
- shall die by the sword, and
- Israel shall surely
- be led away captive out of their own land.
- 12. Also Amaziah said
- I unto Amos, O thou seer, go,
- flee thee away
- into the land of Judah, and there eat bread, and
- prophesy there:
- 13. But prophesy not
- again any more
- at Beth-el: for it is the king's chapel, and it is the king's court.
- 14. Then answered Amos. and said to Amaziah.
- I was no prophet.
- neither was I
- a prophet's son; but I was an herdman,
 - and a gatherer of sycomore fruit:
- 15. And the LORD took me as I followed the flock.
- and the LORD
- said unto me.
- Go, prophesy unto my people

- Israel.
- 16 Now therefore
- m l hear thou
- the word of the LORD: Thou
 - sayest, Prophesy not
 - against Israel, and drop not the word against the house of Isaac.
- 17. Therefore thus saith
- the LORD; Thy wife shall
- be an harlot in the city.
- and thy sons and thy
- daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall
- be divided by line:
- and thou shalt die in a
- i polluted land: and Israel
- shall surely
- go into captivity
- forth of his land.

- I 1. Thus hath
- the Lord GOD
- shewed unto me: and behold
- a basket of summer fruit.
 - - And he said. Amos, what seest thou? And I said, A basket of summer fruit.
- Then said the LORD unto me.
 - The end is come upon my people of
 - Israel: I will not again pass
- by them any more.
- 3. And the songs of the temple shall be howlings

in that day, saith the Lord GOD:

- there shall be many
- dead bodies in every place; they
- shall cast them forth
- with silence.
- 4. Hear this, O ye that
- swallow up the needy, even
 - to make the poor of the land to fail,
 - 5. Saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and the sabbath.
 - that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and
- the shekel great, and | ■ | falsifying the balances

■ | by deceit?

- 6. That we may buy the poor for silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes: *yea*, and sell the refuse of the
- 7. The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob. Surely

 I will never forget any of
- their works.
 - 8. Shall not the land tremble for this.
- and every one mourn
 that dwelleth therein?
- and it shall rise up wholly
- as a flood: and it shall
- **be cast out** and drowned, as by the flood of Egypt.
 - 9. And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the Lord GOD, that
- I will cause the sun to go
 down at noon, and I will darken the earth in the clear day:
- 10. And I will turn your
- feasts into mourning, and all your songs into
 - Idmentation; and I will bring up sackcloth upon all loins, and baldness upon every head;
- and I will make it as the mourning of an only son, and the end thereof as
- a bitter day.
- 11. **Behold,** the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that
- I will send a famine in the land,
 not a famine of bread,
 nor a thirst for water.
- but of hearing thewords of the LORD:
- 12. And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the north even to the east, they shall run
- to and fro to seek the
 word of the LORD,
 and shall not find it.
 - 13. In that day shall the fair virgins and young men faint for thirst.
- 14. They that swear by the sin of Samaria, and say, Thy god, O Dan, liveth; and, The manner of Beer-sheba liveth; even they
 - shall fall, and never

|**■**| rise up again.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. I saw the LORD standing
 1 upon the altar: and he
- said, Smite the lintel of the
- door, that the posts may shake; and cut them in the head
 - shake: and cut them in the head, all of them; and
- I will slay the last of them with the sword: he that fleeth of them shall not flee away, and he that escapeth of them shall not be delivered
- 2. Though they dig into hell, thence shall mine hand take them;
- though they climb up to heaven,

thence will I bring them down:

- 3. And though they hide themselves in the top of Carmel,
- I will search and take them out thence; and though they be hid from my sight in the bottom of the sea, thence will I

command the serpent, andhe shall bite them:

- And though they go into captivity before their enemies, thence will I command the sword, and it shall slay them: and
- I will set mine eyes upon them for evil, and not for good.
 5. And the Lord GOD of hosts is he that
- toucheth the land, and it shall melt, and all that dwell therein shall mourn:
- and it shall rise up wholly like a flood; and shall be drowned, as by the flood of Equat.
 - 6. It is he that buildeth his stories in the heaven, and hath founded his troop in the earth; he that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: The LORD is his name.
- 7. Are ye not as children of the Ethiopians unto me, O children of
 - Israel? saith the LORD. Have not I brought up

Israel out of the land of EQVD? and the Philistines from Caphtor, and the Syrians from Kir? 8 Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth: saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob. saith the LORD. 9. For. lo. ■ I Will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as COIN is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth. 10. All the sinners of my people **shall die** by the sword, ■ which say. The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us. ■ 11. In that day will I raise up

the tabernacle of David

breaches thereof; and I will raise

that is fallen, and close up the

up his ruins, and I will build it as the days of old:

name, saith the LORD that doeth this. 12. That they may possess the remnant of Edom, and of all the heathen, which are called by my name saith the LORD that doeth this. 13. Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed: and the mountains shall drop sweet wine. and all the hills shall melt. 14. And I will bring again the captivity of my people of Israel. and they shall build the waste cities, and inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, and drink the wine thereof: they shall also make gardens, and eat the fruit of them 15. And I will plant them upon their land. and they shall no more be pulled up out of their

land which I have

aiven them, saith

the LORD

thy God.

THE BOOK OF OBADIAH

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OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- I. Destruction of Edom
 1:1 16
- II. Restoration of Israel

CHAPTER 1

- 1 The vision of Obadiah. Thus saith the Lord GOD
- concerning Edom; We have
- heard a rumour
 - from the LORD, and an ambassador is sent among the heathen, Arise ye, and let us rise up against her in battle. Behold.
- I have made thee small among the heathen:
- thou art greatly despised. 3. The pride of thine heart hath deceived thee.
 - thou that dwellest in the clefts of the rock, whose habitation is high; that saith in his heart. Who shall bring me down to the ground?
- 4. Though thou exalt thyself as the eagle, and though thou set thy nest among the stars,
- thence will I bring thee down, saith the LORD.
- 5. If thieves came to thee, if robbers by night, (how art thou cut off!)
- would they not have stolen till they had enough?

if the grapegatherers came to thee. would they not leave some grapes?

- 6. How are the things of Esau searched out!
 - how are his hidden things sought up! 7. All the men of thy confederacy have brought thee even to the border:
- the men that were at peace ■ I with thee have

deceived thee, and

prevailed against thee;

that they eat thy bread have laid a wound under thee: there is none understanding in him.

- 8. Shall I not in that day, saith the LORD, even
- destroy the wise men out
- of Edom, and
- understanding out of the mount of Esau?
- 9. And thy mighty men,
 - O Teman, shall be dismayed, to the end that every one of the mount of Esau may be

- cut off by slaughter.
- 10. For thy violence against thy brother
- Jacob shame shall cover thee, and thou shalt be cut off for ever.
- 11. In the day that
 - thou stoodest on the other side, in the day that the strangers carried away captive his forces, and
- foreigners entered into his gates, and cast lots upon Jerusalem, even thou wast
- as one of them. 12 But thou shouldest not have looked on the day of thy brother in the day that he became a stranger;
- neither shouldest thou have reioiced over the children of
- Judah in the day of their destruction: neither shouldest thou have spoken proudly in the day of distress.
- 13. Thou shouldest not have entered into the gate
- of my people in the day of their calamity; yea, thou shouldest not have looked on their affliction in the day of their calamity,
- nor have
- laid hands on their substance
 - in the day of their calamity;
- 14 Neither shouldest thou have stood in the crossway, to
- cut off those of his that did escape: neither

shouldest thou have

- delivered up those of his that did remain
 - in the day of distress.
 - 15. For the day of the LORD is near upon all the heathen:
- as thou hast done, it shall be done unto thee: thy reward shall return upon thine own head.
- 16. For as ye have drunk upon my holy mountain, so
- shall all
 - the heathen drink
 - continually, yea, they shall drink, and they shall swallow down,
 - and they shall be as

- | though they had not been.
- 17. But upon mount Zion
- shall be deliverance, and
- holiness; and the house of
- Jacob shall possess their possessions.
- 18. And the house of Jacob shall be a fire.
- and the house of
- Joseph a flame, and the house of Esau for stubble, and they
- **shall** kindle in them, and
- devour them; and there shall not be any remaining of
- the house of Esau; for the LORD hath spoken it.

- 19. And they of the south shall possess the mount of Esau; and they of the plain the Philistines: and they shall possess the fields of Ephraim, and the fields of Samaria: and Benjamin shall possess Gilead.
 20. And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel shall possess that of the Canaanites, even unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south
- 21. And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau;
- and the kingdom shall be the LORD's.

JONAH:

Missionary Evangelist

The story of Jonah is fascinating and if it were not for the serious import of its message. It could be called entertaining.

■ The story presents an important theological

message: God is concerned for all

people and not just for the children of Israel. Significantly. His

Significantly, His
 concern existed
 in the Old Testament.

A shallow reading of the Old Testament may give one the idea that God is not interested in any people other then Israel. Indeed,

then Israel, Indeed,
the Jewish people had
come to believe that the

Lord was disinterested in people which were

■ not Israelites.

■ Jonah had such a view and when God called him to

leave home and go to

preach to the heathen people of

■ Nineveh, he rebelled.

He boarded a ship to escape the command of God.

Jonah's experiences at sea, the storm and the big fish.

are well-known.

■ In the belly of the

fish, Jonah repents of his rebellion and cried

out for deliverance, promising God that

he would fulfill his call to

be a missionary
 evangelist. The fish

vomits him up on shore.

Jonah reluctantly

■ went to Nineveh

and held evangelistic services as he travelled through the city.

■ He pronounced God's message. In forty days

God would destroy the city.

■ The people believed.
■ They placed sackcloth

upon themselves and repented. When the

people repented,

God spared the city.
Jonah, although delivering
God massage.

■ was angered at the outcome.

■ Jonah's attitude

■ Was typical of a

■ narrow religiosity

■ which fails to see

■ God's love and concern

for all people, regardless

of race, creed, or color.

THE BOOK OF JONAH

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Jonah Date Written - 800 — 750 B.C.

Number of:

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Scan Words represent 45 % of Total Words.

Theme –Jonah's Call, His Rebellion, His Repentance, and the Revival of Nineveh

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- Jonah's Rebellion, and God's Judgement upon Him 1:1 — 2:10
- II. Jonah's Successful Mission to Nineveh 3:1 — 4:11

- Lt Now the word of the LORD came unto Jonah
- the son of Amittai.
- saying,
- 2. Arise, go to Nineveh. that great city.
- and cry against it; for their wickedness
 - is come up before me.
- 3. But Jonah rose up to flee unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD, and went down to Joppa:
- and he found a ship going

to Tarshish: so he paid the fare thereof, and went down into it. to go with them

- unto Tarshish from the presence of the LORD.
- 4. But the LORD sent out a great wind into the sea, and there was
- a mighty tempest
- in the sea so that the ship was like to be broken.
- 5. Then the mariners were afraid, and
- cried every man
- unto his god, and cast
- forth the wares that were in the ship into the sea,
- to lighten it of them.
- = 1 **But Jonah was**

gone down into the sides of the ship; and he lay, and was

- fast asleep.
- 6. So the shipmaster came to him, and
- said unto him. What
- | meanest thou.
- O sleeper? arise,
- call upon thy God, if so be that God will think upon us.
- that we perish not.
- 7. And they said every one
- to his fellow. Come, and let us cast lots, that we may
- know for whose cause this evil is upon us.
 - So they cast lots.
- and the lot fell upon Jonah.
- 8. Then said they unto him.
- Tell us, we pray thee,
- for whose cause this

- evil is upon us: What is thine occupation? and whence comest thou? what is thy country? and of what people art thou?
- 9. And he said unto them.
- l am an Hebrew: and I fear the LORD.
 - the God of heaven.
- which hath made the sea and the dry land.
- 10. Then were the men exceedingly
- afraid, and said unto him, Why hast thou done this?
- For the men knew that
- he fled from the presence of the LORD, because he had
- told them.
 - 11. Then said they unto him,
- What shall we do unto thee. that the sea may be calm
 - unto us? for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous.
- 12 And he said
 - unto them. Take me up, and
- cast me forth into the sea:
 - so shall the sea be calm unto you: for
- I know that for my
- sake this great

- tempest is upon you.
- 13 Nevertheless the men
 - rowed hard to bring it
- to the land; but they
 - could not: for the sea wrought, and was tempestuous against them.
- 14. Wherefore they cried unto the LORD, and said,
- We beseech thee, O LORD, we beseech thee.
- let us not perish for this
 - man's life, and lay not upon us innocent blood; for thou, O LORD, hast done as it pleased thee.
- 15. So they took up Jonah,
- and cast him forth into the sea: and the sea
- ceased from her raging.
- 16. Then the men feared the LORD exceedingly.
- and offered a sacrifice unto the LORD, and made yows.
- 17. Now the LORD had
- prepared a great fish to

■ L swallow up

■ Jonah. And Jonah was in ■ the belly of the fish three

days and three

■ nights.

CHAPTER 2

1. Then Jonah prayed unto the LORD his God

out of the fish's belly, 2. And said, I cried by

reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I.

and thou heardest my voice.

3. For thou hadst cast me

into the deep, in the midst of

the seas: and the floods compassed me about: all thy billows and thy waves passed over me.

4. Then I said, I am cast out of thy sight; yet I will look again toward thy holy temple.

5. The waters compassed me about, even to the soul:

■ the depth closed me round

about, the weeds were wrapped about my head.

6. I went down to the bottoms of the mountains: the earth with her bars was about me for ever:

yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LOAD my God.

When my soul fainted within me

I remembered the LORD: and my prayer came

in unto thee.

into thine holy temple.

8. They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy.

9. But I will sacrifice unto thee with the voice of

thanksgiving; I will pay that that I have vowed

Salvation is of the LOAD.

■ 10. And the LORD spake unto

the fish, and it

■ vomited out

Jonah upon the

■ dry land.

CHAPTER 3

 And the word of the LORD. came unto Jonah the

second time, saving,

Arise, go unto Nineveh. that great city.

and preach unto it the preaching that I bid thee.

3 So Jonah arose, and

went unto Nineveh.

according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh

was an exceeding great

city of three days' journey.

4. And Jonah began to enter into the city

a day's journey,

and he cried, and said,

Yet forty days, and

Nineveh shall be overthrown.

5. So the people of Nineveh

believed God, and proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them

even to the least of them. 6 For word came unto

the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, and he laid his robe from him, and covered him with sackcloth, and sat in ashes.

7 And he caused it to be. proclaimed and published through Nineveh

by the

decree of the king and his nobles,

savina. Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock,

taste any thing; let them not

feed, nor drink water:

8. But let man and beast be covered with sackcloth,

and cry mightily

unto God: yea, let them turn every one from his evil way, and from the violence that is in their hands.

9. Who can tell if God will turn and repent, and turn away from his fierce anger, that we perish not?

10 And God saw their

WOrks, that they turned from their evil way:

and God

repented of the evil, that he had said that

he would do unto them: and he did it not.

CHAPTER 4

1. But it displeased Jonah exceedingly, and he was very angry.

2. And he prayed unto the LORD, and said, I pray thee, O LORD,

was not this my saying, when I was yet in my country? Therefore I fled before unto Tarshish: for

I knew that thou art a

gracious God, and merciful. slow to anger,

and of great kindness,

and repentest thee of the evil.

3. Therefore now, O LORD.

take. I beseech thee.

my life from me; for it is better for me to die than to live.

■ 4. Then said the LORD.

■ Doest thou well to ■ be anary?

5. So Jonah went out of the

City, and sat on the east side of the city.

and there

made him a booth, and sat under it

in the shadow, till he might see what would become of the city.

6. And the LORD God prepared a gourd, and made it

to come up over Jonah, that it might

be a shadow over his

head, to deliver him from his grief

So Jonah was exceeding

alad of the gourd.

7. **But God prepared a**

WORM when the morning rose the next day.

and it smote the gourd that it withered.

And it came to pass.

when the sun did arise. that God prepared a

vehement east wind: and the sun

beat upon the head of Jonah, that he fainted, and

wished in himself

to die. and said, It is better for me to die than to live.

And God said to Jonah. Doest thou well to be angry for the gourd? And he said, I do well to be angry, even unto death.

10. Then said the LORD.

Thou hast had pity on the

gourd, for the

which thou hast not

laboured, neither madest it grow; which came up in a night, and perished in a night:

11. And should not I spare

Nineveh, that great city,

wherein are more then

sixscore thousand

persons that cannot discern between their right hand and their left hand: and also much cattle?

THE BOOK OF MICAH

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Micah
Date Written - Contemporary
of Isaiah

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Approximately 43% of Total
Words

Theme -Reproach and the Threat of Punishment, Ending on a Note of Hope and Promise.

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- I. The Coming Judgement 1:1 3:12
- II. The Glory of the Restored Zion 4:1 — 5:14
- III. The Case Against Israel
 6:1 7:20

■ 1 1 The word of the LORD that came to Micah

the Morasthite in the days of Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. which he saw

- concerning Samaria and ■ | Jerusalem.
- 2. **Hear**, all ye people; hearken, ■ O earth, and all that therein is:
- and let the Lord GOD
- be witness against you, the LORD from his holy temple.
- 3. For, behold.
 - the LORD cometh

forth out of his place.

- and will come down, and
- | tread upon the high places of the earth.
- 4. And the mountains shall
- be molten under him.
- and the valleys shall be
- cleft, as wax before the fire.

and as the waters that are poured down a steep place.

- 5. For the transgression of Jacob is all this, and for the sins of the house of Israel.
- What is the transaression ■ of Jacob? is it not
- Samaria? and what *are* the high places of Judah? are
- *they* not Jerusalem?
- 6. Therefore I will make
 - Samaria as an heap of the field, and as plantings of a vineyard: and I will pour down the stones thereof into the valley, and I will discover the foundations thereof.
- 7. And all the graven
- images thereof
- shall be beaten to
- pieces, and all
- the hires thereof shall be
- burned with the fire, **=**1
- and all
- the idols thereof
- will I lay desolate: for she gathered it of the
- hire of an harlot, and they shall return to the hire of an harlot.
- 8. Therefore I will wail and
 - howl, I will go stripped and naked: I

will make a wailing like the dragons. and mourning as the owls.

- ا ج 9. For her wound is
- incurable: for it is come unto Judah; he is come unto the gate of my people, even to Jerusalem.
- 10. Declare ye it not
- **=** 1 at Gath, weep ye not
- at all: in the house of
- Aphrah roll thyself
- in the dust.
- 11. Pass ye away, thou inhabitant of
- Saphir, having thy shame naked: the inhabitant of
- Zaanan came not forth in the mourning of Beth-ezel: he

shall receive of you his standing. 12. For the inhabitant of

- Maroth waited carefully
- for acod: but evil came down from the LORD unto the gate of
- Jerusalem.
- 13. O thou inhabitant of Lachish, bind the
- chariot to the swift beast:

she is the beginning of the sin to the daughter of Zion:

- for the transgressions of Israel were found in thee.
- 14. Therefore shalt thou
- give presents to Moresheth-gath: the houses of
- Achzib *shall be* a lie to the kinas of
 - Israel.

- 15. Yet will I bring an
- heir unto thee, O inhabitant of
- Mareshah: he shall come unto Adullam the glory of Israel.
- 16. Make thee bald, and poll thee for thy delicate children; enlarge
- thy baldness as the eagle;
- for they are gone into
- captivity from thee.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 Woe to them that
 - devise iniquity, and
 - work evil upon their beds! when the morning is light,
- they practise it, because
- I■ it is in the power of

their hand.

- 2. And they covet fields, and take them by violence; and houses, and take them away: so
- they oppress a man and
- his house, even a man and
- his heritage.
- 3. Therefore thus saith
- the LORD: Behold.

against this family do

I devise an evil,

from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for this time is evil.

- 4. In that day shall one take up a parable against you, and lament with a doleful lamentation, and
- say, We be utterly spoiled: he hath changed the portion of my people: how hath he removed it from me! turning away
- he hath divided our fields.
- Therefore thou shalt have

none that

- shall cast a cord by lot in the congregation of the LORD.
- 6. Prophesy ve
 - not, say they to them that prophesy: they shall not prophesy to them.
- that they shall not
- take shame.
- 7. O thou that art named the house of Jacob, is the spirit
- of the LORD
- straitened? are these his doings? do not my words do good
- to him that walketh uprightly?
- 8. Even of late
- my people is risen up
- as an enemy: ye pull off the robe with the garment from them that pass by securely as men averse from war.
- 9. The women of my people
- have ye cast out from their pleasant houses; from
- their children have ye
- | taken away
- my glory for ever.
 - 10. Arise ye, and depart; for
- this is not your rest: because it is polluted, it shall destroy you, even with a sore destruction.
 - 11. **If a man** walking in the spirit

- and falsehood do
- lie, saying, I will prophesy unto thee of wine and
- of strong drink; he shall even be the prophet of
- this people.
- 12. I will surely
- assemble, O Jacob, all of thee; I will surely gather
 - the remnant of Israel:

I will put them together as the sheep of Bozrah, as the flock in the midst of their fold: they shall make great noise by reason of

the multitude of men.

13. The breaker is come up hefore them:

- they have broken up, and have
- passed through the gate, and are gone out by it: and
- their king shall pass
- before them, and the LORD
- on the head of them.

CHAPTER 3

- And I said.
- Hear, I pray you,
 - O heads of Jacob, and ye
- **princes** of the house of
- Israel: *Is it* not for
- you to know judgment?
- 2. Who hate the good, and love the evil; who pluck off their skin from off them, and their flesh from off their bones:
- Who also eat the flesh of my people, and flay their skin from off them:
- and they
- break their bones. and chop them in pieces.
- as for the pot.
 - and as flesh within the caldron.
- 4. Then shall they cry unto
- the LORD, but he will not
- hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings.
- 5. Thus saith the LORD
- concerning the prophets that make my people err,
- that bite with their teeth.

■ and cry, Peace; and

he that putteth not into their mouths, they even

prepare war against him.

■ 6. Therefore

night shall be unto you, that ye shall not have a vision; and

it shall be dark unto you,that ye shall not divine;

and the sun shall go down over the prophets, and the day shall be dark over them.

7. Then shall

the seers be ashamed, and the diviners confounded:

yea, they shall all cover their lips;

for there is no answer of God.

■ 8. But truly

I am full of power by the spirit of the LORD,

■ and of judgment, and of might, to

■ declare unto

Jacob his transgression, and to Israel his sin.

9. **Hear this,** I pray you, ye heads of the house of Jacob, and princes of the house of

Israel, that abhor judgment, and pervert all equity.

10. They build up Zion with
blood, and Jerusalem
with iniquity.

■ 11. The heads thereof

judge for reward,

and the priests thereof

■ teach for hire,

and the prophets thereof divine for money; yet will

they lean upon the LORD, and

say, *is* not the LORD among us?

none evil can come upon us.

12. Therefore shall Zion for your sake

be plowed *as* a field, and Jerusalem shall become

heaps, and the mountain of

the house as the high places of

■ the forest.

CHAPTER 4

| ■ | 1. But in the last days

it shall come to pass, that the mountain of

■ the house of the LORD shall

■ be established

in the top of the mountains,

■ and it shall be

■ exalted above the hills;

and people shall flow unto it.

■ 2. And many

■ nations shall come,

and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob;

and he will teach us of his

ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go to

his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

3. And he shall judge among many

people, and rebuke strong

■ nations afar off;

and they shall beat their swords into plowshares.

swords into plowshares, and their spears into

pruninghooks: nation shall not lift up a sword against nation, neither shall they

learn war any more.

■ 4. But they

■ shall sit every man

under his vine and under his fig

free; and none shall make them afraid:

for the mouth of

■ the LORD of hosts

■ hath spoken *it.*

5. For all people will walk every one in the name of his god,

and we will walk

in the name of the LORD

our God

for ever and ever.

6. In that day, saith the LORD,

will I assemble her that halteth, and I will gather her

■ that is driven out, and

her that I have

afflicted;

7. And / will make her

that halted

| a remnant, and

her that was cast far off

- a strong nation: and the LORD shall reign over them in mount Zion from henceforth, even for ever.
 - 8. And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion:
- the kingdom shall come tothe daughter of Jerusalem.
 - 9. Now why dost thou cry out aloud? is there no king in thee? is thy counsellor perished? for pangs have taken thee as a woman in travail.
 - 10. Be in pain, and labour to bring forth. O daughter of Zion,
- like a woman in travail: for now shalt thou go forth out of
 - the city, and thou shalt
- dwell in the field, and thou shalt go even to
- Babylon; there shalt thou be delivered:
- there the LORD shall
- redeem thee from the hand of thine enemies.
 - 11. Now also many
- nations are gatheredagainst thee,

that say, Let her be defiled, and let our eye look upon Zion.

- 12. But they know not
 - the thoughts of
- the LORD, neither understand they his counsel:
- for he shall gather them as the sheaves into the floor.
- 13. **Arise** and thresh, O
- daughter of Zion: for

I will make thine horn iron, and I will make thy hoofs brass; and

- thou shalt beat in pieces
- many people: and I will consecrate their gain
 - unto the LORD,
- and their
- substance unto the Lord of the whole earth.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Now gather thyself
- in troops, O daughter of troops:

he hath laid siege against
us: they shall smite
the judge

of Israel with a rod upon the cheek.

2. **But** thou,

- Beth-lehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah. vet
- out of thee shall he come forth unto me
- that is to be ruler in Israel;whose goings forth have
- been from of old,from everlasting.
- 3. Therefore will he give
- them up, until the time
 - hath brought forth: then
 the remnant of his brethren
- the remnant of his brethren
 shall return unto the children of
 Israel.
- 4. And he shall stand and feed in the strength of the LORD, in the maiesty of the name of the
 - in the majesty of the name of the LORD his God;
- and they shall abide: for now shall he
- be great unto the ends
 of the earth.
- 5. And this man shall be the peace,
- when the Assyrian shall
- come into our land:
 and when he shall
- tread in our palaces, then shall we raise against him
 - seven shepherds, and eight principal men.
- 6. And they shall
- waste the land of Assyria with the sword,
- and the land of
- Nimrod in the
 - entrances thereof:
- thus shall he deliver us from the Assyrian.

when he cometh into our land, and when he treadeth within our borders.

- 7. And the remnant of
 Jacob shall be in the midst
- Of many people as a dew from the LORD, as the showers upon the grass, that tarrieth not for man, nor waiteth for the sons of men.

- 8 And the remnant of Jacob shall be among
- the Gentiles in the midst of many people
- as a lion among the beasts of the forest, as a young lion
- amona the flocks of
- sheep: who, if he go through, both treadeth down, and
- teareth in pieces. and none can deliver.
 - 9. Thine hand shall be lifted up upon thine adversaries.
- and all thine enemies shall be cut off.
 - 10. And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD. that I will cut off thy horses out of the midst of thee, and
- I will destroy thy chariots:
 - 11. And I will cut off
- the cities of thy land.
- and throw down all
- thy strong holds: 12. And I will cut off
- witchcrafts out of thine hand:
- and thou shalt have no more
- soothsayers:
- 13. Thy graven images also will I cut off, and thy standing images out of the midst of thee:
- and thou shalt no more ■ worship the work of ■ I thine hands.
 - 14. And I will pluck up thy groves out of the midst of thee; so will I destroy thy cities.
- 15. And I will execute ■ | vengeance in anger and furv
- upon the heathen, such as ■ they have not heard.

- 1. **Hear** ye now
- what the LORD saith: Arise. contend thou before the mountains. and let the hills hear thy voice.
 - 2. Hear ye, O mountains, the LORD's controversy, and ye strong foundations of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with his people. and he will plead with Israel.
 - 3. O my people,

- what have I done
- unto thee? and wherein have I wearied thee? testify against me.
- 4. For I brought thee up out
 - of the land of
- Egypt, and redeemed thee out of the house of servants:
- and I sent before thee
- Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.
 - 5. O my people, remember now what Balak king of Moab consulted, and what Balaam the son of Beor answered him from Shittim unto Gilgal: that ye may know the righteousness of the LORD.
- 6. Wherewith shall I come before the LORD, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before him
- with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old?
- 7. Will the LÓRD be pleased with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil?
- shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body
- for the sin of my soul?
- 8. He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and
- what doth the LORD
- require of thee, but to
- do justly, and to
- love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?
- 9. The LORD's voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it.
- 10. Are there yet the
- treasures of wickedness in the house of the wicked.
- and the scant measure that is abominable?
 - Shall I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?
- 12. For the rich men thereof are full of violence, and the inhabitants thereof have spoken lies,
- and their tongue is deceifful in their mouth.
- 13. Therefore also

- will I make thee sick in smiting thee, in making thee desolate
- because of thy sins.
- 14. Thou shalt eat, but not
 - be satisfied; and thy casting down shall be in the midst of thee; and thou shalt take hold, but shalt not deliver; and that which thou deliverest will I give up to the sword.
- 15. Thou shalt sow, but thou shalt
- not reap; thou shalt tread
- the olives, but thou
- shalt not anoint thee
- with oil: and sweet wine. but shalt not drink wine.
- 16. For the statutes of Omri
- are kept, and all
- the works of the house
- of Ahab, and ye walk in
 - their counsels: that I should make thee a desolation, and the inhabitants thereof an hissing:
- therefore ye shall bear the ■ reproach of my people.

CHAPTER 7

- Woe is me! for I am as when they have gathered the summer fruits. as the grapegleanings of the vintage: there is no cluster to eat: my soul
- desired the firstripe fruit.
- 2. The good man is
- perished out of the earth: and there is none upright
 - among men: they all lie in wait for blood, they hunt every man his brother with a net.
 - 3. That
- they may
- do evil with both hands earnestly, the prince asketh.
- and the judge
- asketh for a
 - reward; and the great man, he uttereth his mischievous desire: so they wrap it up.
- 4. The best of them is as a brier: the most upright is sharper than a thorn hedge: the day of thy watchmen and
- thy visitation cometh; now shall be their perplexity.

- Trust ye not in a friend. put ye not confidence in a quide: keep the doors of thy mouth from
- 6. For the son dishonoureth the father, the daughter riseth up against her mother, the daughter in law against her mother in law:
- a man's enemies *are* the • men of his own house.

her that lieth in thy bosom.

- 7. Therefore I will
 - look unto the LORD:

I will wait for the

- God of my salvation: my God will hear me.
- 8. Rejoice not against me, O mine enemy:
- when I fall, I shall arise: when I sit
- in darkness, the LORD shall be a light unto me.
- 9. I will bear the indianation of the LORD, because I
- have sinned against him, until he plead my cause, and execute judgment for me:
- he will bring me forth
 - to the light, and I shall behold his righteousness.
- 10. Then she that is
- mine enemy shall see it, and shame shall cover her
- which said unto me.
 - Where is the LORD thy God?
 - mine eyes shall behold her:

now shall she be trodden down

as the mire of the streets.

- 11. In the day that thy walls are to be built, in that day shall the decree be far removed.
- 12. In that day also
 - he shall come even to thee from Assvria, and from the fortified cities, and from the fortress even to the river, and from sea to sea.
- and from mountain to mountain.
- Notwithstanding

- the land shall be desolate
- because of them that dwell therein, for
- the fruit of their doings.
 - 14. Feed thy people

- with thy rod, the flock of thine heritage, which dwell solitarily in the wood, in the midst of Carmel: let them feed in Bashan and Gilead, as in the days of old.
 - 15. According to the days of thy coming out of the land of Egypt will I shew unto him marvellous *things*.
- 16. The nations shall see and
- be confounded at all
 their might: they shall lay
 their hand upon their mouth,
 their ears shall be deaf.
 - 17. They shall lick the dust like a serpent,
- they shall move out of their holes
- like worms of the earth:
- they shall be afraid of the
 - **LORD** our God, and shall fear because of thee.

- 18. Who is a God like unto thee, that pardoneth iniquity, and passeth by
 - the transgression of the remnant of his heritage?
- he retaineth not his anger for ever, because he delighteth *in* mercy.
- 19. He will turn again, he will have compassion upon
- Us; he will subdue our iniquities;
- and thou
- wilt cast all their sins
- into the depths of the sea.
- 20 Thou wilt perform the
 - **truth** to Jacob, *and* the mercy to Abraham,
- which thou hast sworn unto our fathers
- from the days of old.

THE BOOK OF NAHUM

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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Scan Words - 552
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Theme – Prophecies of The Lord Coming in Judgement, and the Fall of Nineveh

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- I. The Lord Coming In Judgement 1:1 2:3
- II. The Fall of Nineveh 2:4 3:19

- 1.1. The burden of Nineveh. The book of the
- vision of Nahum the Elkoshite. 2. God is iealous, and

the LORD revengeth; the LORD revengeth, and is furious: the LORD

- will take vengeance on his adversaries, and he reserveth wrath for his enemies
- 3. The LORD is slow to anger, and great in power,
- and will not at all acquit the wicked:

the LORD hath his way in the whirlwind and in the storm, and the clouds are the dust of his feet.

- 4. He rebuketh the sea. and maketh it dry, and drieth up all the rivers: Bashan languisheth, and Carmel, and the flower of Lebanon languisheth.
- 5. The mountains quake at him, and the hills melt, and the earth

is burned at his presence. yea, the world, and all that dwell therein.

- 6. Who can stand before his indignation? and who can abide in the fierceness of his anger? his fury is poured out like fire, and the rocks are thrown down by him.
- 7. The LORD is good, a strong hold in the day of trouble;
- and he knoweth them that trust in him.
- 8. But with an overrunning flood he will make an utter end of the place thereof, and
- darkness shall pursue his enemies.
- 9. What do ye imagine against the LORD?

he will make an utter end: affliction shall not rise up the second time. 10. For while they be folden together as thorns, and

- while they are drunken as drunkards.
- they shall be devoured as stubble fully dry.
 - 11 There is one

come out of thee

that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor.

- 12. Thus saith the LORD;
 - Though they be quiet, and likewise many.
- vet thus shall

they be cut down. when he shall pass through.

- Though I have afflicted thee. I will afflict thee no more.
- 13. For now will
- break his voke from off thee, and will burst thy bonds in sunder.
 - 14. And the LORD hath given a commandment concerning thee. that no more of thy name be sown; out of the house of thy gods will I cut off the graven image and the molten image: I will make thy grave; for thou art vile.
- 15. **Behold** upon the mountains the feet of
 - him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O
- **Judah**, keep thy solemn feasts,
- perform thy vows: for the wicked shall no more pass
- through thee: he is utterly l∎ cut off.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 1. He that dasheth in pieces
- is come up before thy face: keep the munition, watch
- the way, make thy loins strong,
- fortify thy power mightily.
- 2. For the LORD hath turned
- away the excellency of

Jacob, as the excellency of

- Israel: for the emptiers have emptied them out, and marred their vine branches.
- 3. The shield of his mighty men is made red, the valiant men are in scarlet: the chariots shall be with flaming torches
- in the day of his
- preparation, and the fir
- trees shall be terribly
 - shaken.
- 4. The chariots shall rage in

the streets, they shall justle one against another in the broad ways:

they shall seem like

torches, they shall run like the lightnings.

5. He shall recount his worthies: they shall

stumble in their walk; they shall make

haste to the wall thereof.

and the defence shall be prepared.

6. The gates of the rivers shall be opened, and the palace shall be dissolved

7. And Huzzab shall be led away captive, she shall be brought up, and her maids shall lead her as with the voice of doves. tabering upon their breasts.

8. But Nineveh is of old

■ like a pool of

water: yet they shall flee away.

Stand, stand, shall they cry; but none shall look back.

9. Take ve the spoil

of silver, take the spoil of gold:

for there is none end of the store and glory out of all the

pleasant furniture.

10. She is empty, and void, and waste: and the heart melteth. and the knees smite together, and much pain is in all loins, and the faces of them all gather blackness.

11. Where is the dwelling of the lions, and the feedingplace of the young lions, where the lion, even the old lion, walked, and the lion's whelp, and none made them afraid?

12. The lion did tear

in pieces enough for his whelps, and strangled for his lionesses.

and filled his holes

with prey, and his dens with ravin. 13. Behold, I am against

thee, saith the LORD

of hosts, and

I will burn her chariots in the smoke.

and the sword shall

devour thy young lions: and I will cut off thy prey from the earth,

and the voice of

thy messengers shall

no more be heard.

CHAPTER 3

1. Woe to the bloody city! it is all

full of lies and robbery: the prey departeth not;

2. The noise of a whip, and the noise of the

rattling of the

wheels, and of the

prancing horses, and of the jumping

chariots.

The horseman lifteth up both

the bright

sword and the glittering

spear: and there is a

multitude of

slain, and a great number of carcases; and there is none end of their corpses; they stumble upon their corpses:

4. Because of the multitude of the whoredoms

> of the wellfavoured harlot, the mistress of witchcrafts, that selleth nations through her whoredoms,

and families through her witchcrafts.

5. Behold, I am against thee, saith the LORD of hosts:

and i

will discover thy skirts upon thy face, and I will

shew the

nations thy nakedness,

and the kingdoms thy

shame.

6 And

will cast abominable

filth upon thee,

and make thee vile, and will set thee as a gazingstock.

7. And it shall come to pass, that

all they that look upon thee

shall flee from thee, and say, Nineveh is laid waste: who will bemoan her? whence shall I seek comforters for thee?

8. Art thou better than

populous No, that was situate among the rivers, that had the waters round about it, whose rampart was the sea, and her wall was from the sea?

9. Éthiopia and Egypt were
her strength, and it was infinite;
Put and Lubim were

■ Put and Lubim were thy helpers.

10. Yet was she carried

away, she went

into captivity: her young children also

were dashed in pieces at the top of all the streets:

and they cast lots for her honourable men, and all her great men were bound in chains.

11. Thou also shalt be drunken: thou shalt be hid, thou also shalt seek strength because of the enemy.

12. All thy strong holds
shall be like fig trees with the firstripe figs: if they

be shaken, they shall even

fall into the mouth of the eater.

■ 13. **Behold, thy people** in the midst of thee

are women: the gates of thy land shall be set wide

open unto thine enemies: the fire shall devour thy bars.

■ 14. **Draw** thee

waters for the siege, fortify

thy strong holds:

go into clay, and tread the mortar, make strong the brickkiln.

■ 15. There shall the fire devour thee; the sword

 shall cut thee off, it shall eat thee up like the cankerworm: make thyself many as the cankerworm, make thyself many as the locusts.

16. Thou hast multiplied thy merchants above the stars of heaven: the cankerworm spoileth, and flieth away.

17. Thy crowned *are* as the locusts,

and thy captains as the
 great grasshoppers, which camp in the hedges in the cold day,

■ | **buf** when the sun ariseth

they flee away, and their place is not known where they *are.*

18. Thy shepherds slumber,

O king of Assyria: thy nobles shall dwell in the dust:

thy people is scattered upon the mountains, and no man gathereth them.

■ 19. *There is* no healing

■ of thy bruise; thy

■ wound is grievous:

all that hear the bruit of thee

■ shall clap

the hands over thee:

for upon whom

| hath not thy

■ wickedness passed

continually?

THE BOOK OF HABAKKUH

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Habakkuh Date Written – 630 B.C.

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Theme – Habakkuh, the Prophet of Faith.

OUTLINE OF

- 1. Why God Permits Evil
- II. The Chaldeans are Used of God 1:5 — 11
- III. Why the Wicked are Used by God 1:12 — 2:1
- IV. The Righteous Must Live by Faith 2:2 — 4
- V. God's Judgement of the Wicked 2:5 — 20
- VI. Habakkuh's Prayer 3:1— 19

■ I 1 The burden which Habakkuk the prophet

did see.

■ 2. O LORD, how long

shall I cry, and thou wilt not hear! even cry out unto thee

of violence, and thou

wilt not save!

3. Why dost thou shew me iniquity, and cause

me to behold

grievance?

for spoiling and violence are

before me: and

there are that raise up strife and contention.

■ 4. Therefore the law is slacked, and judgment

doth never go forth: for

■ I the wicked doth

compass about

■ the righteous; therefore

wrong judgment proceedeth.

5. Behold

ve among the heathen, and regard. and wonder marvellously: for

I will work a work

in your days, which ye will not ■ l believe, though it be told you.

6. For, lo, I raise up the Chaldeans, that bitter and hasty nation, which shall march through the breadth of the land,

to possess the

dwellingplaces that are not theirs.

7. They are terrible and

dreadful: their judgment and their dignity shall proceed of themselves.

8. Their horses also

are swifter than the

leopards, and are

more fierce than the evening wolves: and their horsemen

shall spread themselves,

and their horsemen shall come from far; they

shall fly as the eagle that hasteth to eat.

9. They shall come all

for violence: their faces shall sup

up as the east wind, and they shall gather the captivity as the sand.

10. And they

shall scoff at the

kinas, and the

Drinces shall be a scorn unto them: they shall deride

every strong hold: for

they shall heap dust, and

take it.

11. Then shall his mind change, and

he shall pass over. and offend.

imputing this

his power unto his god.

12. Art thou not from everlasting, O LORD

my God, mine Holy One?

we shall not die. O LORD.

thou hast ordained them for judgment; and,

O mighty God, thou hast established them for

correction.

13. Thou art of purer eyes than to behold evil, and

canst not look on iniquity: wherefore lookest thou upon them that deal treacherously,

and holdest thy tongue

when the wicked

devoureth the man that is more

righteous than he? 14. And makest men

as the fishes

of the sea, as the creeping things, that have no ruler over them?

15. They take up all of

them with

the angle, they catch them in

their net, and gather them in their drag: therefore they

rejoice and are glad.

16. Therefore they sacrifice

unto their net. and burn incense unto their drag;

because by them their

portion is tat, and their meat

plenteous.

17. Shall they therefore empty their net, and not spare continually to

■ slay the nations?

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CHAPTER 2

- 1. I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon
- the tower, and will watch to see what he will say
 - unto me, and what I shall
- answer when I am reproved.
- 2. And the LORD
- answered me, and said, Write the vision,
- and make
- *it* plain upon tables:
- that he may run that
- readeth it.
- 3. For the vision is yet
- for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry,
- wait for it; because
- it will surely
- **come**, it will not tarry.
- 4. Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him:
 but the just shall live by his
- faith.
 - 5. Yea also, because he lransgresseth by wine, he is
- a proud man, neither keepeth at home, who
- enlargeth his desire as hell, and is as death.
- and cannot be satisfied.
- but gathereth unto him all
- nations, and heapeth unto him all people:
- 6. Shall not all
- these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb against him, and
- say, Woe to him that increaseth that which
- is not his! how long? and to him that ladeth himself with thick clay!
- 7. Shall they not rise up suddenly that shall bite thee,
- and awake that shall
- vex thee, and thou shalt be for booties unto them?
- 8. Because thou hast
- spoiled many
- nations, all

- the remnant of the people shall spoil thee; because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.
- 9. Woe to him
 - that coveteth an
- evil covetousness to his house, that he may set his nest on high,
- that he may be delivered from the power of
 - evil!
 - 10. Thou hast consulted
- shame to thy houseby cuffing off many
- people, and hast sinned
 - against thy soul.

 11. For the stone shall cry out of the wall, and the beam out of the timber
 - shall answer it. 12. **Woe to him**
- that buildeth a town
 with blood, and
 - stablisheth a city by
 - iniquity!
- 13. Behold, is it not of the LORD of hosts
 that the
- people shall
 - labour in the very fire,
- and the people shall
 - weary themselves for very
- vanity?
- 14. For the earth shall be
 filled with the knowledge of
 the glory of the LORD,
 - as the waters cover the sea.
- 15. Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that
 - puttest thy bottle
 - to him, and makest him drunken also, that thou mayest
 - look on their nakedness!
- 16. Thou art filled with
- shame for glory: drink thou also,
- and let thy foreskin be uncovered:
- the cup of the LORD's right hand shall be
- turned unto thee,
 - and shameful spewing shall be on thy glory.
 - 17. For the violence of Lebanon shall

cover thee, and the spoil of beasts, which made them afraid, because of men's blood, and for the violence of the land, of the city, and of all that dwell therein.

- 18. What profiteth the graven image that the maker thereof hath graven it; the molten image, and a teacher of lies, that
- **the maker of** his work trusteth therein, to make dumb

∎ idols?

- 19. Woe unto him that saith to the wood, Awake; to the dumb stone, Arise, it shall teach! Behold, it is laid over with gold and silver, and
- | there is no breath at all
- in the midst of
- l it.
- 20. But the LORD is in his
- holy temple: let all
- the earth keep silence

before him.

CHAPTER 3

- | 1. A prayer of Habakkuk
- the prophet upon Shigionoth.

 2. O LORD, I have heard thy speech.
- and was afraid: O LORD,
- revive thy work

in the midst of the years, in the midst of the years make known;

- in wrath remember mercy.
- 3. God came from Teman,
- and the Holy One from
- mount Paran. Selah.
- His glory covered the
 - heavens, and the earth was full of his praise.
- 4. And his brightness was
- us the
- light; he had horns
- **coming** out of his hand:
- and there was the hiding of
- his power.
- 5. Before him went the
- **pestilence**, and burning coals went forth at his feet.
- 6. **He stood, and**
 - beheld, and drove asunder
 - the nations; and the everlasting

mountains were

■ scattered,

the perpetual hills did bow:

his ways are everlasting.

- 7. I SQW the tents of
- Cushan in affliction:
- **and** the curtains of the land of
- Midian did
- tremble.
 - 8. Was the LORD displeased against the rivers?
- was thine anger against the
- rivers? was thy wrath against the sea.
- that thou didst ride upon
- thine horses and thy chariots of salvation?
 - 9. Thy bow was made quite naked, according to the oaths of the tribes, even thy word. Selah. Thou didst
 - cleave the earth with rivers.
 - saw thee, and they
- | trembled: the
- overflowing of the
- water passed by: the deep uttered his voice.
 - and lifted up his hands on high.
- 11. The sun and moon
- stood still in their habitation: at the light of thine arrows they went, and at the shining of thy glittering spear.
- 12. Thou didst
 - march through the land
- in indignation, thou didst
- thresh the heathen in anger.
- 13. **Thou wentest** forth
- for the salvation of thy
- **people**, **even** for salvation with
- thine anointed; thou
- woundedst
- the head out of the house of
- the wicked, by discovering the foundation unto the neck. Selah.
- 14. **Thou didst strike** through with his stayes the head of
- his villages: they came out as a whirlwind to scatter me: their rejoicing
- was as to devour the poor secretly.

 15. Thou didst walk through
- the sea with thine horses, through the heap of great waters.

16. When I heard,
my belly trembled;
my lips quivered at the voice:
rottenness entered into
my bones. and I

trembled in myself, that I might rest in the day of trouble:

when he cometh up unto the people.

he will invade them with his troops.

17. Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither shall truit be in the vines: the

labour of the olive shall fail. and the fields shall vield no meat: the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and there shall be no herd in the stalls: 18. Yet I will rejoice in the LORD. I will joy in the God of my salvation. 19. The LORD God is my strength, and he will make my feet like hinds' feet, and he will make me to walk upon mine high places. To the chief singer on

my stringed instruments.

THE LORD OF MIGHT AND JOY

The Lord Thy God in the Midst of Thee is Mighty; He Will Save, He Will Rejoice Over Thee With Joy; He Will Rest in His Love, He Will Joy Over thee with Singing.

Zephaniah 3:17

THE BOOK OF ZEPHANIAH

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

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Theme – A Prophecy Concerning God's Judgement of the Nations, and the Restoration of a Remnant.

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- I. God's Warning to Judah 1:1 — 18
 - 1:1 18 Cod's luc
- II. God's Judgement 2:1 — 3:8
- III. A Remnant of Israel Shall be Restored 3:9 — 20

- I 1. The word of the LORD which came
- unto Zephaniah the son of Cushi, the son of Gedaliah, the son of Amariah, the son of Hizkiah,
- in the days of Josiah the son of Amon.
- king of Judah.
 - 2. I will utterly
- consume all things from off the land, saith the LORD.
- 3. I will consume

man and beast: I will consume

- the fowls of the heaven, and
- the fishes of the sea.
- and the stumblingblocks with the wicked: and I will cut off man from off the land, saith the LORD.
- 4. I will also stretch out mine hand upon Judah.
- and upon all the inhabitants of
- Jerusalem: and
- I will cut off the remnant
- of Baal from this place.
- and the name of the ■ Chemarims with
- the priests;
- 5. And them that worship ■ I the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and that swear by the LORD.
- and that swear ■ by Malcham;
- 6. And them that are
- | turned back
- from the LORD; and those ■ that have not sought the LORD.
- nor inquired for him.
- 7. Hold thy peace at the presence of the Lord GOD:
- for the day of the LORD
- is at hand: for
- the LORD hath prepared ■ a sacrifice, he hath bid his guests.
- 8. And it shall come to pass in the day of the LORD's sacrifice, that
- I will punish the princes. and the king's children,
- and all
- such as are

- clothed with
- strange apparel.
- 9. In the same day
 - also will I punish all
- those that leap on the threshold.
- which fill their masters'
- houses with violence
 - and deceit.
- 10. And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD, that
- there shall be the noise of
 - a Cry from the fish gate, and an howling from the second.
- and a great

- crashing from the hills.
 - 11. Howl, ye inhabitants of Maktesh, for all
- the merchant people are cut down:
 - all they that bear silver are cut off.
- 12. And it shall come to pass at that time, that
- l will search Jerusalem
- with candles. and punish the men
- that are settled on their lees:
- that say in their heart, The LORD will not do good.
- neither will he do
 - evil.
 - 13. Therefore their goods shall become a booty, and their houses a desolation: they shall also build houses, but not inhabit them; and they shall plant vineyards, but not drink the wine thereof.
- 14. The great
- day of the LORD is near. it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.
 - 15. That day is
- a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress.
 - a day of wasteness and desolation,
- a day of darkness
- and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness.
 - A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.
- 17. And I will bring distress upon
- men, that they

- shall walk like blind men,
 because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.
- 18. **Neither** their
 - silver nor their
- gold shall be able to
- **deliver them** in the day of the LORD's wrath:
- **but the** whole land shall be devoured by the
- | fire of his jealousy: for he
- shall make even a
- speedy riddance of all
- them that dwell in the land.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. Gather yourselves together, yea, gather together,
 - O nation not desired;
 - 2. Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaft, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you,
- before the day of the
- LORD'S anger come
- upon you.
- 3. Seek ye
- the LORD, all
- ye meek of the earth, which have wrought his judgment;
- seek righteousness, seek meekness:
- it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the
- LORD'S anger.
- 4. For Gaza shall be forsaken,
- and Ashkelon

a desolation: they shall drive out Ashdod at the noon day,

- and Ekron shall be rooted up.
- 5. Woe unto the inhabitants of the sea coast.
- the nation of the
- Cherethites! the word of the
- LORD is against you;
- O Canaan, the land of the Philistines,
- I will even destroy thee, that there shall be no inhabitant.
 - 6. And the sea coast shall be

- dwellings and cottages for shepherds, and folds for flocks.
- 7. And the coast shall be for the remnant of the house of Judah; they shall feed thereupon: in the houses of Ashkelon shall they lie down in the evening:
- for the LORD their God
- shall visit them, and turn away their captivity.
- 8. I have heard the reproach of Moab, and
 - the revilings of the children of **Ammon**, whereby they have reproached my people, and magnified *themselves* against their border.
- 9. Therefore as I live, saith
 the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel, Surely
- Moab shall be as Sodom, and the children of
- Ammon as Gomorrah, even the breeding of nettles, and saltpits, and a perpetual desolation: the residue of my people shall spoil them.
- and the remnant of my people shall possess them.
 - 10. This shall they have for their pride,
- because they have
- reproached and magnified themselves against the people of the LORD of hosts.
- 11. The LORD will be terrible unto them; for he
- will famish all the gods
 of the earth; and men
 shall worship him,
 - every one from his place.
- even all the isles of the heathen.
- 12. Ye Ethiopians also, ye
- shall be slain by my sword.

 13. And he will stretch out
- his hand against
 - the north, and destroy
- Assyria; and will make
- Nineveh a desolation, and dry like a wilderness.
- 14. **And** flocks shall lie down in the midst of her, all
 - the beasts of the nations; both

= |

the cormorant and the bittern
shall lodge in the
upper lintels of it; their voice
shall sing in the windows; desolation
shall be in the thresholds: for he shall

■ 15. This is the rejoicing city that dwelt carelessly, that

said in her heart, I am, and

uncover the cedar work

■ there is none beside me:

how is she become a desolation,

a place for beasts to lie down in!

every one that passeth

by her shall hiss, and wag

■ his hand.

CHAPTER 3

Woe to her that is filthy and polluted,

to the oppressing city!

2. She obeyed not

the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in **the LORD**;

she drew not near to her God.

■ 3. Her princes within her

■ are roaring lions; her

judges are evening

■ Wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow.

4. Her prophets are light and

■ treacherous persons:

■ her priests have polluted■ the sanctuary,

they have done violence to the law.

■ 5 The just LORD

is in the midst thereof; he

will not do iniquity: every morning doth he

bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the unjust

knoweth no shame.

6. I have cut off the nations: their towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passeth by:

■ their cities are destroyed,

so that there is no man, that there is none

■ inhabitant.

 $I \mid 7$. I said, Surely thou wilt

fear me, thou wilt receive

instruction; so their dwelling should not be cut off, howsoever I punished them:

but they rose early,and corrupted all

and corrupted all their doings.

8. Therefore wait ye upon me, saith the LORD, until the day that I rise up to the prey:

for my determination is to gather the nations, that I may assemble the kingdoms.

to pour upon them mine indignation, even all my fierce

anger: for all the earth shall be devoured with the fire of my jealousy.

9. For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that

9. For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that

■ they may all

call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.

 From beyond the rivers of Ethiopia my suppliants, even the daughter of my dispersed, shall bring mine offering.

11. In that day shalt thou
 not be ashamed for
 all thy doings,

wherein thou hast transgressed against me:

■ I will take away
out of the midst of thee

them that rejoice in thy pride, and thou shalt no more

be haughty because of my holy mountain.

12. I will also leave in the midst of thee

an afflicted and poor people, and they shall trust

in the name of the

■ LORD.

13. The remnant of Israel
 shall not do iniquity, nor
 speak lies; neither shall a deceitful tongue be found in their mouth: for they shall feed and lie down,

■ and none shall make

■ them afraid.

14. **Sing,** O daughter of Zion; shout,

O Israel:

be glad and rejoice with all the heart, O daughter of Jerusalem.

■ 15. The LORD hath taken away thy judgments,

he hath cast out thine enemy: the king of Israel, even the LORD, is in the midst of thee:

- thou shalt not see evil any more.
- 16. In that day
- it shall be said to Jerusalem,
- Fear thou
- **not**: and to Zion, Let not thine hands be slack.
- 17. The LORD

thy God in the midst of thee

- is mighty; he will save, he will rejoice over thee
 - with joy; he will rest in his love, he will iov over thee
 - with singing.
- 18. I will gather them that

are sorrowful for the solemn assembly, who are of thee.

to whom the reproach of it was a burden.

- 19. **Behold,** at that time
 - I will undo all that afflict thee: and I will save her that halteth.
- and gather her that was driven out: and I
- will get them praise and tame in every land
- where they have been put to shame.
- 20. At that time will I bring you again, even in the time that I
- gather you: for I will make you a name and a praise
- among all people of the earth, when I turn back your captivity before your eyes,
- saith the LORD.

WILL A MAN ROB GOD?

Will a man rob God? Yet ye have robbed me. But ye say, wherein have we robbed thee? In tithes and offerings.

Ye are cursed with a curse: For ye have robbed me, even this whole nation.

Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse... and prove me now herewith, saith the Lord of host, if I will not open the windows of heaven, and pour you out a blessing that there shall not be room enough to receive it.

And I will rebuke the devourer for you sakes... saith the Lord of host.

Malachi 3:8-11

THE BOOK OF HAGGAI

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OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- The People Challenged to Build the Temple
 1:1 — 15
- II. The People Respond 2:1 9
- III. The Lord's Encouragement received 2:10 — 19
- IV. God's Promise to Zerubbabel 2:20 — 23

- 1 1. In the second year of
 - Darius the king, in the sixth month, in the first day of the month,
- came the word of the LORD
- **by Hagagi** the prophet
- unto Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel,
- governor of Judah, and to Joshua the son of Josedech,
- the high priest, saying,
- 2. Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts, saving. This people say,
- The time is not
- **come.** the time
- that the LORD'S house should be built.
 - 3. Then came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet, saving.
 - 4. Is it time for you, O ye, to dwell in your cieled houses, and this house lie waste?
- 5 Now therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts:
- Consider your ways.
- 6. Ye have sown much, and
- bring in little; ye eat. but we have not enough:
- ye drink, but ye are not
- **filled** with drink; ye clothe you, but there is none warm:
- | and he that
- earneth wages earneth wages to put it
- into a bag with holes.
 - 7. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: Consider your ways.
- 8. Go up to the mountain, and bring wood.
- and build the house; and I ■ | will take pleasure in it, and ■ I will be glorified, saith the LORD.
- 9. Ye looked for much, and, lo it came to little: and when ye brought it home. I did blow upon it. Why? saith the LORD of hosts.
- Because of mine house that
- is waste, and ye run every man unto his own house.
- 10. Therefore the heaven over you
- is stayed from dew, and

- the earth is staved from her fruit
- 11. And I called for a
 - drought upon the land, and upon the mountains, and upon the corn, and upon the new wine, and upon the oil, and upon that which the ground bringeth forth, and upon men. and upon cattle.
- and upon all
- the labour of the hands.
 - 12. Then Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel
 - and Joshua the son of
- Josedech, the high priest.
- with all the remnant of
- the people, obeyed the voice of the
- LORD their God, and the words of Haggai the prophet, as the LORD their God had sent him.
- and the people
- did fear before
- the LORD.
 - 13. **Then spake Haaaai**
 - the LORD'S messenger in
- the LORD'S message unto the people, saying,
- I am with you, saith the LORD.
- 14. And the LORD stirred up
- the spirit of Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel, governor
- of Judah, and the spirit of Joshua the son of
- Josedech, the high priest,
- and the spirit of
- all the remnant of
- the people; and they came and did work in the house
- of the LORD of hosts, their God.
- 15. In the four and twentieth day of
 - the sixth month, in the second year of Darius the king.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. In the seventh month, in the one and twentieth day of the month,
- came the word of the LORD
- **by** the prophet
- Haggai, saying,
- 2. Speak now
 - to Zerubbabel the son of
 - Shealtiel, governor of Judah,

1301 and to Joshua the son of Josedech, the high priest, and to the residue of the people, saying. 3. Who is left among you that saw this house in her first glory? and how do ye see if now? is it not in your eyes in comparison of it as nothing? 4. Yet now be strong, O Zerubbabel, saith the LORD: and be strong, O Joshua, son of Josedech, the high priest; and be strong, all ve people of the land, saith the LORD, and work: for I am with you. saith the LORD of hosts: ■ 5. According to the word that ■ I covenanted with you ■ when ye came out of Egypt. so my spirit remaineth among you: fear ye not. 6 For thus saith the LOBD of hosts: Yet once, it is a little while, and I will shake the heavens, and the earth, and the sea. and the dry land: 7. And I will shake all nations. and the desire of all nations shall come: and I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts. ■ 8. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, saith the LORD of hosts. 9. The glory of this latter house shall be greater than of the former, saith the LORD of hosts: and in this place will I give **Deace**, saith the LORD of hosts. 10. In the four and twentieth day of the ninth month. in the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD by Haggai the prophet,

saying,

■ I the law, saying.

■ Ask now

11. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

the priests concerning

12. If one bear holy flesh in the skirt of his aarment, and with his skirt do touch bread, or pottage, or wine, or oil, or any meat, shall it be holy? And the priests answered and said. No. Then said Haggai, If one that is unclean by a dead body touch any of these, shall it be unclean? And the priests answered and said. It shall be unclean. 14. Then answered Haggai, and said. So is this people, and so is this nation before me saith the LORD; and so is every work of their hands; and that which they offer there is unclean. 15. And now, I pray you, consider from this day and upward, from before a stone was laid **UDON** a stone in the temple of the LORD: 16. Since those days were, when one came to an heap of twenty *measures*, there were but ten: when one came to the pressfat for to draw out fifty vessels out of the press, there were but twenty. 17. I smote you with blasting and with mildew and with hoil in all ٥ the labours of your hands; vet ve turned not to me. saith the LORD. 18. Consider now from this day and upward, from the four and twentieth day of the ninth month, even from the day that the foundation of the LORD'S

temple was laid, consider it.

19. Is the seed yet in the barn? yea, as yet the vine, and the fig tree, and the pomegranate, and the olive tree, hath not brought forth:

from this day will I bless you.

20. And again the word of the LORD came unto Haggai in the four and twentieth *day* of the month, saying, 21. Speak to Zerubbabel, governor of Judah, saying, I will shake the heavens and the earth:

- 22. And I will overthrow
- the throne of
- | kingdoms, and | will

- destroy the strength of the kingdoms
- of the heathen; and I will overthrow the chariots, and those that ride in them; and the horses and their riders shall come down, every one by the sword of his brother.
- 23. In that day, saith the LORD of hosts,
- | will I take thee, O
- Zerubbabel, my servant, the son of Shealtiel, saith the LORD,
- and will make thee as a
 - signet: for I have chosen
- I thee, saith the LORD of hosts.

THE BOOK OF ZECHARIAH

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Theme – Eight Visions to Zechariah and The Coming Restoration of Jerusalem

OUTLINE OF THE BOOK

- The Messianic and Millennial Visions 1:1 — 6:15
- II. Fasting Discussed 1:1 8:23
- III. The Prophecies of the Coming King 9:1 — 14:21

- 1 1. In the eighth month, in the
- second year of Darius, came the word of the
 - LORD unto Zechariah. the son of Berechiah, the
 - son of Iddo the prophet.
- saying,

- 2. The LORD hath been sore displeased with
- vour fathers.
 - 3. Therefore say thou unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts:
- Turn ve unto me, saith
- the LORD of hosts.
- and I will turn unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 4. Be ye not as your fathers, unto whom the former
- prophets have
- cried, saving. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:
- Turn ve now
- from your evil ways,
 - and from your evil doings:
- but they did not hear, nor hearken unto me, saith the LORD.
- 5. Your fathers, where are they? and the prophets, do
- they live for ever?
- 6. But my words and my statutes, which I commanded my servants the prophets,
- did they not take hold of
- your fathers? and they
- returned and said. Like as the LORD of hosts thought to do unto us, according to our ways, and
- according to our doings, so hath
- he dealt with us.
- 7. Upon the four and twentieth day of the eleventh month, which is the month Sebat, in
- the second year of Darius, came the word of the LORD
- unto Zechariah, the son of Berechiah, the son of Iddo the prophet, saying,
- 8. I saw by night, and behold
- a man riding upon a red
- horse, and he stood among the myrtle trees that
 - were in the bottom; and behind him.

- were there red horses. speckled, and white
- 9. Then said I, O my lord.
- what are these? And the angel that talked with me said unto me. I will shew thee what these he
- 10. And the man that stood
- among the myrtle trees
- answered and said,
- These are they whom
 - the LORD hath sent to walk to and fro through
- the earth.
- 11. And they answered the anael of the LORD
- that stood among the
- myrtle trees, and said. We have walked to and fro through the earth. and, behold,
- all the earth sitteth still, and is at rest.
- 12. **Then the angel** of the LORD answered and
- said, O LORD of hosts.
- how long wilt thou not have mercy on Jerusalem and on
 - the cities of Judah, against which thou hast had
- indignation these
- threescore and ten years?
 - 13. And the LORD answered the angel that talked with me with good words and comfortable words.
 - So the angel that communed with me said unto me, Cry thou, saying, Thus saith the LORD of hosts;
- I am jealous for Jerusalem and for Zion with a great jealousy.
- 15. And I
- am very sore
- displeased with the heathen that are at ease: for
 - I was but a little displeased, and they helped forward the affliction.
- 16. Therefore thus saith the
- I am returned to Jerusalem
- with mercies: my house
- shall be built in it, saith the LORD of hosts, and a line shall be
- stretched forth upon Jerusalem.
 - 17. Cry yet, saying, Thus saith the

LOBD of hosts:

My cities through prosperity

■ | shall vet

■ be spread abroad; and the

LORD shall vet

comfort Zion, and shall vet

choose Jerusalem.

18. Then lifted

I up mine eyes, and

saw, and behold

four horns.

19. And I said unto the

angel that talked with me.

What be these? And he answered me.

These are the horns which

have scattered Judah.

Israel, and Jerusalem. 20. And the LORD shewed

me four carpenters.

21. Then said I, What come these to do? And he spake.

saving. These are the horns which have scattered Judah, so that no man did lift up his head; but

these are come to fray them.

■ to cast out the horns of the ■ Gentiles, which lifted up

■ I their horn over the land of

■ Judah to scatter it

CHAPTER 2

■ 1. I lifted up mine eyes again, and

looked, and behold

■ a man with a measuring ■ line in his hand.

■ 2. Then said I, Whither goest

■ I thou? And he said unto me,

To measure Jerusalem,

to see what is

the breadth thereof.

and what is

the length thereof.

■ 3. And, behold,

the angel that talked with me

went forth, and another

angel went out

■ to meet him,

4. And said unto him, Run, speak lo this young man, saying,

Jerusalem shall be

inhabited as towns without

walls for the multitude of men and

cattle therein:

5. For I. saith

the LORD, will be unto

her a

wall of fire round about.

and will be

the glory in the midst of her.

6. Ho, ho, come forth, and

flee from the land of the

north, saith the LORD:

for I have spread you

abroad as the four winds

of the heaven, saith the LORD.

Deliver thyself, O Zion, that dwellest with the

daughter of Babylon.

8. FOr thus saith the LORD of hosts: After the glory hath

he sent me unto the nations which spoiled you: for he that toucheth you toucheth

the apple of his eye.

9. For, behold,

I will shake mine

hand upon them.

and they shall be a spoil to their servants:

> and ve shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me.

10. Sing and rejoice,

O daughter of

.

Zion: for, lo, I come, and

I will dwell in the midst of thee, saith the LORD.

11. And many nations shall be joined to the LORD in

that day, and shall be my people: and I will dwell in the midst of thee.

and thou shalt

know that the LORD of hosts

hath sent me unto thee.

And the LORD shall inherit. Judah his portion in the holy land, and

shall choose Jerusalem again.

13. Be silent. O all flesh, before

the LORD: for he

is raised up

out of his holy habitation.

CHAPTER 3

■ 1 1. And he shewed me

■ Joshua the high priest

- standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist at his right hand to resist him.
- 2 And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke
- thee. O Satan: even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: is not this a brand plucked
- out of the fire? 3. Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel.
- 4. And he answered and
- spake unto those that stood
- before him, saving.

- Take away the filthy aarments from him. And
 - unto him he said. Behold.
- I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.
 - 5. And I said. Let them set a fair mitre upon his head.
- So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments.

And the angel of the LORD stood by.

- 6. And the angel of the LORD protested unto Joshua. savina.
 - 7. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: If thou wilt walk in my ways, and
- if thou wilt keep my charge. then thou shalf also
- judge my house, and shalt also
- keep my courts, and I will give thee places to walk among these that stand by.
- 8. Hear now, O Joshua the high priest, thou, and thy fellows that sit before thee: for they are men wondered at:
- for, behold, I will bring forth my servant the BRANCH.
 - 9. For behold
- the stone that I have laid
- before Joshua; upon one stone
- shall be seven eyes: behold, I will engrave the graving
 - thereof, saith the LORD of hosts.

- and I will
- remove the iniquity of that
- land in one day.
- 10. In that day, saith the LORD of hosts.
- shall ve call every man his neighbour under the vine
- and under the
- |■| fia tree.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. And the angel that talked with me came again, and
- waked me, as a man
 - that is wakened out of his
- sleep.
- And said unto me.
- What seest thou? And I said. I have
- looked, and behold
- a candlestick all
 - of gold, with a bowl upon
- the top of it.
- and his
- seven lamps thereon,
- and seven pipes to the seven lamps, which are
- upon the top thereof:
- 3. And two olive trees by it, one upon the right side of the bowl, and the other upon the left side thereof.
- 4. So I answered and spake to the angel that talked with me, saying, What are these, my lord?
 - 5. Then the angel that talked with me answered and said unto me. Knowest thou not what these be? And I said. No. my lord.
 - 6. Then he answered and spake unto me, saying,
- This is the word of the LORD
- unto Zerubbabel, saying, Not by might, nor by power,
- but by my spirit, saith the
- LORD of hosts.
 - 7. Who art thou, O great mountain? before Zerubbabel thou shalt become a plain; and he shall bring forth the headstone thereof with shoutings, crying, Grace, grace unto it.
- 8 Moreover the word of the

- LORD came unto me. savina.
- 9 The hands of Zerubbabel
- have laid the foundation of this house: his hands
 - shall also finish it:
- and thou shalt
- know that the LORD of hosts
 - hath sent me unto you.
- 10. For who hath
- despised the day of small
- things? for they shall
- rejoice, and shall
- see the plummet in the
- hand of Zerubbabel with
- those seven; they are the
 - eyes of the LORD, which run to and fro
- through the whole earth.
 - 11. Then answered I, and said unto him.
- What are these two olive
- trees upon the right
- side of the candlestick and upon the left side thereof?
- 12. And I answered again, and said unto him, What be
- these two olive branches
- which through the two golden pipes empty the golden oil
- out of themselves?
 - 13. And he answered me and said. Knowest thou not what these be? And I said, No, my lord.
 - 14. Then said he.
- These are the two
- anointed ones, that stand
- by the LORD of the whole
- earth.

CHAPTER 5

- I 1. Then I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and
- looked, and behold a flying roll.
 - 2. And he said unto me, What seest thou? And I answered, I see a flying
- the length thereof is twenty cubits, and the breadth thereof
- ten cubits.

- Then said he unto me.
- This is the curse that goeth forth over the face of the
- whole earth: for every one
 - that stealeth shall be cut off as on this side according to it:
- and every one that
 - sweareth shall be cut off as on that side according to it.
 - 4. I will bring it forth, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall enter into the house of the thief.
- and into the house of
 - him that sweareth falsely by my name: and it shall
- remain in the midst of
- his house, and shall consume it with the timber thereof
- and the stones thereof. 5. Then the angel that talked
- with me went forth, and
- said unto me. Lift up now thine eyes, and see
- what is this that goeth forth.
 - And I said. What is it? And he said. This is an ephah that goeth forth. He said moreover. This is their resemblance through all the earth.
- And. behold.
- there was lifted up a talent of lead: and this is
 - a woman that
- sitteth in the midst of
- the ephah.
 - And he said.
- This is wickedness. And he
- cast it into the midst of
- the ephah: and he cast the weight of
- lead upon the mouth thereof.
 - 9. Then lifted

- up mine eyes, and
- looked, and, behold.
- there came out two women.
- and the wind was in their wings; for
- they had wings like
 - the wings of
- a stork: and they lifted up the ephah between the
- earth and the heaven.
 - 10. Then said I to the angel that talked with me.

- Whither do these bear the ephah?
- 11. And he said unto me,
 To build it an house in
 the land of
- Shinar: and it shall be established, and set there
- upon her own base.

- 1. And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and
- looked, and, behold.
- there came four chariots out
- from between two
- mountains; and the mountains were mountains
- of brass.
- 2. In the first chariot were
- red horses; and in the
- second chariot
- black horses;
- 3. And in the third chariot
- white horses; and in the fourth chariot
 - grisled and bay horses.
 - 4. Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What are these, my lord?
 - 5. And the angel answered and said unto me.
- These *are* the four spirits
- of the heavens, which go forth from standing
- before the LORD of all the earth.
 - 6. The black horses which are therein
- go forth into the north country:
- and the white go forth
- after them; and the grisled go forth
- foward the south country.
- 7. And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might
- Walk to and fro
- through the earth: and he said, Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth.
- 8. **Then** cried
- he upon me, and
- spake unto me, saying, Behold,
- these that go toward the

- north country have quieted
- my spirit in the north
 - And the word of the LORD came unto me, saying,
- 10. Take of *them of* the
- **captivity,** even of Heldai, of Tobijah, and of Jedaiah.
- which are
- come from Babylon, and
- Come thou the same day, and go into the house of Josigh
 - the son of Zephaniah;
- 11. **Then** take silver and gold, and
- make crowns, and set *them* upon the head of Joshua
 - the son of Josedech, the high priest:
 - 12. And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts,
- saying, Behold the man
 - whose name is The
- **BRANCH; and he** shall grow up out of his place, and he
- shall build the temple of the LORD:
- 13. Even he shall build the temple of
- the LORD;
- shall bear the glory, and
- shall sit and
- **I rule** upon his throne:
- and he shall
- be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.
- 14. And the crowns shall be to Helem, and to Tobijah, and to Jedaiah. and to Hen the son of
- Zephaniah, for
 a memorial in the temple of
 the LORD.
- 15. And they that are far off
- shall come and build in the
- temple of the LORD, and ye shall know that the LORD of hosts hath sent me unto you.
- And this shall come to
- **pass, if ye will** diligently
- **obey the** voice of the
- LORD your God.

CHAPTER 7

1 ■ 1. And it came to pass

in the fourth year of king

Darius, that the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah in the fourth day of the ninth month, even in Chisleu:

2. When they had

sent unto the house of God Sherezer and

Regem-melech, and their men.

to pray before the LORD,

3. And to speak unto the priests which were in the house of the LOBD of hosts

and to the

prophets, saying, Should I weep in the fifth month.

separating myself, as I have done these

so many years?

4. Then came the word of

the LORD of hosts unto me.

5. Speak unto all the people of the land.

and to

the priests, saying,

When ye fasted and mourned in the fifth and seventh month, even

those seventy years, did ve at all fast unto me. even to me?

6. And when

ye did eat, and when ye did

drink, did not ve eat

for yourselves, and drink for yourselves?

7. Should ve not hear the words which

the LORD hath

cried by the former

prophets, when Jerusalem

WQS inhabited and

in prosperity, and the cities thereof round about her, when men inhabited the south and the plain?

8 And the word of the LORD came unto Zechariah.

saying.

9. Thus speaketh the LORD of hosts. saving.

■ Execute true judgment, and ■ shew mercy and

compassions every man to his brother:

10. And oppress not the widow, nor the fatherless, the stranger, nor the poor:

and let none of you imagine evil against his

brother in your heart.

11. But they refused to

hearken, and pulled away the shoulder, and stopped their ears, that they should not hear.

12. Yea, they made their hearts as an adamant stone, lest they should hear the law, and the words which the LOBD of hosts bath sent in his spirit.

by the former prophets:

therefore came a great wrath from the LORD of hosts.

13. Therefore it is come to pass, that as he cried, and they would not hear: so they cried, and I would not hear. saith the LORD of hosts:

14. But I scattered them. with a whirlwind

among all the nations whom they knew not. Thus

the land was desolate after them, that no man passed through nor returned: for they laid the pleasant land desolate.

CHAPTER 8

1. Again the word of the LORD of hosts

came to me.

savina.

2. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

I was jealous for Zion with great jealousy, and I was iealous for her

with great fury.

3. Thus saith the LORD;

I am returned unto Zion, and will dwell in the midst of

• Jerusalem: and Jerusalem

shall be called a city of

truth; and the mountain of the

LORD of hosts the

holy mountain.

4. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

There shall yet

old men and old

> women dwell in the streets of Jerusalem, and every man with his

staff in his hand for very age.

5 And the streets of the city shall be full of

boys and girls playing in the streets thereof.

6. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

If it be marvellous in the eyes of the remnant of this

people in these days,

should it also be marvellous

in mine eves? saith the LORD of hosts.

7. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: Behold.

I will save my people from the east country.

and from the

west country:

8. And I will

bring them, and they shall

dwell in the midst of

Jerusalem: and they shall be my people, and I will be their God, in truth and in righteousness.

9. Thus saith the LORD of

hosts; Let your hands

be strong, ye that hear in these days

■ these words by the mouth

of the prophets, which were in the day that the

foundation of the house of the LORD of hosts was laid.

that the temple might be built.

10. For before these days there was no hire for man, nor any hire for beast:

neither was there

any peace to him that went

out or came in

because of the affliction: for

I set all men

every one against his neiahbour.

■ 11. But now I will not be unto the residue of

this people as in the former

days, saith the LORD of hosts. 12. For the seed shall be

prosperous; the vine shall

aive her fruit, and the ground shall give

her increase, and the heavens

shall give their dew:

and I will cause the remnant of this people to possess all

these things.

13. And it shall come to pass, that as ye were a curse among the heathen. O house of Judah. and house of Israel:

so will I save you, and ye shall be a blessing: fear not,

but let your hands be strong.

14. For thus saith the LORD of hosts: As I thought to punish you, when your fathers provoked me to wrath. saith the LORD of hosts, and L repented not:

15. So again have I thought in these days to do well unto Jerusalem and to the house of

Judah: fear ve not.

16. **These** are the

things that

ve shall do: Speak ve every man

the truth to his neighbour;

execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

17. And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour:

and love no false oath: for all

these are things that

I hate, saith the LORD.

18 And the word of the LORD of hosts came unto me, saving. 19. Thus saith the LORD of hosts:

The fast of the fourth *month*. and the fast of the

fifth, and the fast of the

seventh, and the fast of the tenth, shall be to the house

of Judah

joy and gladness, and cheerful feasts: therefore

love the truth and peace.

20. Thus saith the LORD of hosts; It shall yet come to pass, that there shall come people, and the inhabitants of many cities:

21. And the inhabitants of ■ one *city* shall go to

- another, saying, Let us go speedily to
- pray before the LORD,
- and to
 - seek the LORD
 - of hosts: I will go also.
 - 22. Yea, many people and strong nations
- shall come to
- seek the LORD of hosts
- in Jerusalem, and to pray before the LORD.
- 23. Thus saith the LORD of hosts: In those days it shall come to
 - pass, that ten
- men shall take hold
- **out of all languages** of the nations, even
- shall take hold of the skirt of him.
- a Jew, saying, We will go
- with you: for we have heard that
- God is with you.

- 1 1. The burden of the word
 - of the LORD in the land of
- Hadrach, and Damascus shall be the rest thereof:
- when the eyes of man, as
- of all the tribes of
- Israel, shall be
- toward the LORD.
- 2. And Hamath also shall border thereby:
- Tyrus, and Zidon.
- though it be very
- wise.
 - 3. And Tyrus did build herself a strong hold, and heaped up silver as the dust, and fine gold as the mire of the streets.
- 4. Behold, the LORD will
- **cast her out,** and he will smite her power in the sea:
- and she shall be
- devoured with fire.
- 5. Ashkelon shall see it, and fear:
- Gaza also shall see it. and be very sorrowful,
- and Ekron; for her expectation shall be ashamed; and the king shall perish from Gaza, and Ashkelon

shall not be inhabited.

- And a bastard shall dwell in Ashdod, and I will cut off the pride of the Philistines.
- 7. And I will take away his blood out of his mouth, and his abominations from between his teeth:
- but he that remaineth. even he.
- shall be for our God, and he shall be as a governor in Judah, and Ekron as a Jebusite.
- 8. And I will encamp about
 - mine house because of the army, because of him that passeth by, and because of him that returneth:
- and no oppressor shall pass through them any more: for now have I seen with mine eyes.
- 9. Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion: shout. O daughter of Jerusalem: behold,
- thy King cometh unto thee: he is just, and
- having salvation; lowly, and riding upon an ass,
- and upon a colt
 - the foal of an ass.
 - And I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim, and the horse from Jerusalem, and the battle bow shall be cut off:
- and he shall speak peace unto the heathen; and his dominion shall be from sea even to sea, and from the river even to the ends of the earth.
- 11. As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth
- thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water.
 - 12. Turn you
- to the strong hold, ye prisoners of hope; even to day do I declare that I will render double
- unto thee:
- 13. When I have bent Judah for me, filled the bow with Ephraim.
- and raised up
- thy sons, O Zion,
 - against thy sons, O
 - Greece, and made thee

- as the sword of a mighty man.
 - 14. And the LORD shall be seen over them, and his arrow shall go forth as the lightning; and the LORD God shall blow the trumpet, and shall go with whirlwinds of the south.
- 15. The LORD of hosts
 - shall defend them; and they shall devour, and subdue with sling stones: and they shall drink, and make a noise as through wine; and they shall be filled like bowls, and as the corners of the altar.
- 16. And the LORD their God shall save them in that day as the flock of his people; for
- they shall be as the
- stones of a crown, lifted up as an ensian upon his land.
- 17. For how great is his
- goodness, and how great is his **beauty!** corn shall make the young men cheerful, and new wine the

maids.

- 1. Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain:
- so the LORD shall make bright
- clouds, and give them
- showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.
- 2. For the idols have
- spoken vanity, and the diviners have seen a lie, and have told false dreams: they
- comfort in vain: therefore
- they went their way
- as a flock, they were troubled.
- | because there
- was no shepherd.
- 3. Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats:
- for the LORD of hosts hath
- I visited his flock the house of
- Judah, and hath
- made them as his goodly horse in the battle.
 - 4. Out of him came forth the corner. out of him the nail, out of him the

- battle bow, out of him every oppressor together.
- اي 5. And they shall be as mighty men, which
 - tread down *their enemies* in the mire of the streets in the battle: and they shall fight.
- because the LORD is with
- them. and the riders on horses shall be confounded.
- And I will strengthen the house of
- Judah, and I will
 - save the house of Joseph, and I will bring them again to place them; for I have mercy upon them; and they shall be as though I had not cast them off:
- for I am the LORD their God and will hear them.
- 7. And they of
- Ephraim shall be like a
 - mighty man.
- and their heart shall rejoice as through wine: yea, their children shall see it, and be glad; their heart
- shall reioice in the LORD.
- 8. | Will hiss for them, and
- gather them; for I have redeemed them: and they shall
 - increase as they have increased. 9. And I will sow them among the
- people: and they shall remember
- me in far countries; and they shall live with their children, and turn again.
- 10. I will bring them again also out of the land of Egypt.
- and gather them out of Assyria; and I will bring them
- into the land of Gilead and **Lebanon**: and *place* shall not be found for them.
- 11. And he shall pass
- through the sea with
- affliction, and shall smite the waves in the sea, and all the deeps of the river shall dry up:
- and the pride of
- Assyria shall be brought
- down, and the sceptre of Egypt shall depart away.

■ 1 12 And I will strengthen ■ | them in the LORD; and they shall walk up and down in his name, saith the LORD

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Open thy doors, O Lebanon, that the fire may devour thy cedars.
 - 2. Howl, fir tree; for the cedar is fallen:
- because the mighty are spoiled: how! O ve oaks of Bashan; for the forest of the vintage is come down.
 - 3. There is a voice of the howling of
- the shepherds; for their glory is spoiled: a voice of the roaring of young lions; for
- the pride of Jordan is spoiled.
 - 4. Thus saith the LORD my God:
- Feed the flock of the slaughter: 5. Whose possessors slav
 - them, and hold themselves not guilty: and they that sell them
- say, Blessed be the LORD; for I am rich: and their own shepherds pity them not.
- 6. For I will no more pity the inhabitants of the land, saith the LORD: but lo
- I will deliver the men
- into his neighbour's hand. and into the hand of his king:
- and they shall smite the
- land, and out of their hand I will not deliver them.
- 7. And I will feed the flock of
 - slaughter, even you, O poor of the flock.
- And I took unto me
- two staves; the
- one I called Beauty, and
- the other I called
- Bands; and I fed the flock.
- 8. Three shepherds also
- I cut off in one month; and my soul lothed them.
- and their soul also abhorred me.
 - 9. Then said I, I will not feed you: that

that dieth, let it die: and that that is to be cut off, let it be cut off; and let the rest eat every one the flesh of another.

- 10. And I took my staff, even Beauty, and cut it asunder. that I might break my covenant which I had made
- with all
- the people.
 - 11. And it was broken in that day: and so the poor of the flock
- that waited upon me
- knew that it was the word of the LORD.
- 12. And I said unto them, If ye think good.
- give me my price; and if not, forbear.
- So they weighed for my price thirty pieces of silver.
- 13. And the LORD said unto me, Cast it unto the potter: a goodly price that I was prised at of them. And I took the thirty pieces of silver, and cast them to the potter in the house
- 14. Then I cut asunder.

of the LORD.

- mine other staff, even
 - Bands, that I might break the brotherhood between
- Judah and Israel. 15. And the LORD said
 - unto me. Take unto thee vet the instruments of a foolish shepherd.
- 16. For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land.
- which shall not visit those that be cut off, neither shall seek the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces.
- 17. Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eve:
- his arm shall be clean
- dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly
 - darkened.

- 1. The burden of the word of the LORD for Israel, saith the LORD, which stretcheth forth the heavens, and laveth the foundation of the earth, and formeth the spirit of man within him.
- 2. Behold, I will make Jerusalem a cup of
- trembling unto all the people round about, when they shall be in the siege both against Judah and against Jerusalem
- 3. And in that day will I make Jerusalem
- a burdensome stone for all people: all that burden themselves with it shall be cut in pieces.
- though all the people of the earth be gathered together against it.
 - 4. In that day, saith the LORD, I will smite every horse
- with astonishment.
- and his rider with madness; and I will open mine eyes upon the house of Judah, and will smite every horse of the people with blindness.
- 5. And the governors of
- Judah shall say in their heart.
- The inhabitants of
- Jerusalem shall be mv
- strength in the LORD of hosts their God
- 6. In that day will I make the governors of
- Judah like an hearth of fire among the wood, and like a torch of fire in a sheaf; and they
- shall devour all the people round about, on the right hand and on the left:
- and Jerusalem shall be inhabited again in

her own place. even in Jerusalem.

- 7. The LORD also shall save the tents of
- **Judah** first, that the glory of the house of David and the glory of the inhabitants of Jerusalem do not magnify themselves against Judah.
 - 8. In that day shall the LORD defend

the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and he that is feeble among them at that day shall be as David; and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the LORD before them

- And it shall come to: pass in that day, that
- Will seek to
- destroy all the nations that come against Jerusalem.
- 10. And I will pour upon the house of David, and

upon the inhabitants of

- Jerusalem, the spirit of **Qrace** and of supplications:
- and they shall look upon
- me whom they have
- pierced, and they shall mourn for him.
- CS one mourneth
- for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for him, as one that is in bitterness for his firstborn.
 - 11. In that day shall there be a great mourning in Jerusalem, as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the valley of Megiddon.
- 12. And the land shall mourn, every family apart: the family of the house of David apart.

and their wives apart; the family of the house of Nathan apart, and their wives apart:

- 13. The family of the house of Levi apart, and their wives apart; the family of Shimei apart, and their wives apart;
- 14. All the families that remain. every family apart.
- and their wives apart.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. In that day there shall be
 - a fountain opened to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem
- for sin and for
- uncleanness.
- 2. And it shall come to pass in that day, saith the LORD of hosts, that
- I will cut off the names of
- the idols out of the land, and they shall no more be remembered:

- and also I will cause
 the prophets and the
 unclean spirit to pass
 out of the land.
- 3. And it shall come to pass, that
- when any shall yet prophesy, then his fat
- prophesy, then his father and his
- mother that begat him
- shall say unto him,
- Thou shalt not live;
 - for thou speakest lies in the name of the LORD:
- and his father
- and his mother that begat him
- shall thrust him through when he prophesieth.
- 4. **And** it shall come to pass in that day, that the
- prophets shall be ashamed every one
- of his vision, when he hath prophesied; neither shall they wear a
 - rough garment to deceive:
- 5. But he shall say, I am no prophet, I am an husbandman; for man taught me to keep cattle from my youth.
- 6. And one shall say unto him,
 What are these wounds in
 thine hands? Then he shall

answer, Those with which

- I was wounded in the house of my friends.
- 7. Awake, Ó sword, against my shepherd, and against the man that is my fellow.
- saith the LORD of hosts:
- smite the shepherd, and the sheep shall be
- scattered: and I will turn mine hand upon the little ones.
 - 8. And it shall come to pass, that
- in all the land, saith the LORD, two parts therein shall be cut off and
- die; but the third shall be left therein.
- 9. And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and
 - will try them as gold is tried: they shall call on my name,

- and I will hear them: I will say, It is my people:
- and they shall say, The LORD is my God.

CHAPTER 14

- i | 1. Behold, the day of the
- LORD cometh, and thy spoil shall be divided in the midst of thee.
- 2. For I will gather allnations against Jerusalem
 - to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.
- 3. Then shall the LORD go forth, and
- fight against those nations, as when he fought in the day of battle.
- 4. And his feet shall stand in that day
- upon the mount of Olives, which is
- before Jerusalem on the east, and the mount of Olives
 shall cleave in the midst thereof toward the east and toward
- the west,

 and there shall be a very
 great valley; and half of the
 mountain shall remove toward the
 north, and half of it toward the south.
 - 5. And ye shall flee to the valley of the mountains; for the valley of the mountains shall reach unto Azal: yea, ye shall flee, like as ye fled from before the earthquake in the days of Uzziah king of Judah:
- and the LORD my God
 shall come, and all the
 saints with thee.
- And it shall come to pass in that day, that the light shall not be clear, nor dark:
 - 7. But it shall be one day which shall be known to the LORD, not day, nor night: but it shall come to pass, that at evening time it shall be light.
- 8. And it shall be in that day, that
 - living waters shall go out from Jerusalem; half of them

toward the former sea, and half of them toward the hinder seat in summer and in winter shall it be.

- 9 And the LORD shall be king over all the earth; in that
 - day shall there be one LORD, and his name one. 10 All the land shall be
- turned as a plain from Geba to Rimmon south of Jerusalem:
- and it shall be lifted up, and inhabited in her place, from Benjamin's gate unto the place of the first gate, unto the corner gate, and from the tower of Hananeel unto the king's winepresses.
- 11. And *men* shall
 - dwell in it, and there shall be no more utter destruction; but Jerusalem shall be safely inhabited.
- 12. And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against
- Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and
- their eyes shall consume away in their holes.
- and their tongue shall
- consume away in their mouth.
 - 13. And it shall come to pass in that day, that
- a great tumult from the
- LORD shall be among them;
 - and they shall lay hold
- **every one** on the hand of his neighbour, and his hand
- shall rise up against the hand of
- his neighbour.
- 14. And Judah also
- shall fight at Jerusalem:
- and the wealth of all the
- heathen round about ■ shall be gathered together.
- gold, and silver, and apparel. in great abundance.
- 15. And so shall be the
- plague of the horse, of the mule, of

- the camel, and of the ass, and of all the beasts that shall be in these tents.
- as this plague.
 - 16. And it shall come to pass, that every one that is
- left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem
- shall even go up from vear to vear to
- worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles.
- 17. And it shall be, that
- whose will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even
- upon them shall be no rain.
- 18. And if the family of Egypt go not up, and come not,
 - that have no rain:
 - there shall be the plague, wherewith the LORD will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacies.
- 19. This shall be the punishment of Egypt,
- and the punishment
- of all nations that come not up to keep the feast of
- tabernacies.
- 20. In that day shall there be upon the bells of the
- horses, HOLINESS UNTO
 - THE LORD: and the pots in the LORD's house shall be like the bowls before the altar.
- 21. Yea, every pot
 - in Jerusalem and
 - in Judah shall be
 - holiness unto the LORD of hosts:
 - and all they
 - that sacrifice shall come and
 - take of them, and seethe therein: and in that day
 - there shall be no more the
- Canaanite in the house of the LORD of hosts.

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- I 1 The burden of the
- word of the LORD to Israel by Malachi.
- 2. I have loved you. saith the LORD.
- Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet
- I loved Jacob.
- 3. And I hated Esau, and
 - laid his mountains and his
- heritaae waste
 - for the dragons of the wilderness. 4. Whereas Edom saith.
- We are impoverished, but
- we will return and build the desolate places: thus saith
- I the LORD of hosts.
- They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.
- 5. And your eyes shall see, and ye shall say The LORD
- will be magnified from the horder of
- Israel.
- 6. A son honoureth his father, and a servant his
- master: if then I be a father.
- where is mine honour? and if I be a master, where is
- my fear? saith the LORD of hosts unto you,
- O priests, that despise
- my name. And ye say, Wherein have we despised thy name?
- 7. Ye offer polluted bread upon mine altar:

and ye say, Wherein have we polluted thee? In that

- ye say, The table of the ■ LORD is contemptible.
- 8. **And** if
- ve offer the blind for
- **Sacrifice**, is it not evil?
- and if ye offer
- the lame and sick, is it not
 - evil? offer it now unto thy governor; will he be pleased with thee, or accept thy person? saith the LORD of hosts.

- And now, I pray you.
- beseech God that he will be gracious unto us:

this hath been by your means: will he regard your persons? saith the LORD of hosts.

- 10. Who is there even among you that would shut the doors for nought? neither do
- ve kindle fire on mine altar for nought. I have no pleasure in you.
- saith the LORD of hosts. neither will I accept
- an offering at your hand. 11. For from the rising
- of the sun even unto the going down of the same my name *shall be* great
- among the Gentiles; and in every place incense shall be offered unto my name, and a pure offering: for my name shall be great among the heathen, saith the LORD of hosts.
- 12. But ye have profaned it, in that
- ye say, The table of the LORD is polluted; and
 - the fruit thereof.
- even his meat, is contemptible.
 - 13. Ye said also, Behold, what a weariness is it! and ye have snuffed at it, saith the LORD of hosts:
- and ve brought that
- which was torn, and the lame, and the
- sick; thus ye brought an offering:
- should I accept this of your hand? saith the LORD.
- 14. But cursed be the
- deceiver, which hath in his
- flock a male, and voweth.
- and sacrificeth unto the LORD
- a corrupt thing: for I am a great King,
- saith the LORD of hosts, and my name is dreadful among the heathen.

CHAPTER 2

- I 1. And now, O ve priests, this commandment is for you.
- 2. If ye will not hear,

and if ye will not lay it to heart, to give glory unto my name, saith the LORD of hosts.

I will even

send a curse upon you,

and I will curse your blessings: yea, I have cursed them already, because ve do not lav it to heart.

- 3. Behold, I will corrupt your seed, and spread dung upon your faces, even the dung of your solemn feasts; and one shall take you away with it.
 - 4. And ye shall know that I have sent this
- commandment unto you,
- that my covenant might be
- with Levi, saith the LORD of hosts. 5. My covenant was
- with him of life and peace:
- and I gave them
- to him for the fear wherewith he feared me.
 - and was afraid before my name.
- 6. The law of
- truth was in his mouth, and iniquity was not found in his lips:
- he walked with me in peace
 - and equity, and
- did turn many away from iniquity.
 - 7. For the priest's lips should keep knowledge, and they should seek the law at his mouth: for
- he is the messenger of the LORD of hosts.
 - 8. But ve are departed out of the way; ye
- have caused many to stumble at the law: ye have corrupted the covenant of

Levi, saith the LORD of hosts.

9. Therefore have I also made you contemptible

and base before all the people. according as ye have not kept my ways, but have been partial in the law. 10. Have we not all one father? hath not one God created us?

■ why do we deal

■ | treacherously every man against his brother.

by profaning the covenant

of our fathers?

- 11. Judah hath dealt treacherously, and an abomination is committed in Israel and in Jerusalem: for Judah hath
- profaned the holiness of the LORD which he loved. and hath
- married the daughter of a strange god.
- 12. The LÖRD will cut off the man that doeth this.

the master and the scholar. out of the tabernacles of Jacob. and him that offereth an offering unto the LORD of hosts.

13. And this have ye done again, covering the altar of the LORD with tears, with weeping, and with crying out, insomuch that

he regardeth not the offering any more, or

receiveth it with good will at your hand. 14. Yet ye say, Wherefore?
Because the LORD hath been

witness between thee and the wife of thy youth.

- against whom thou hast dealt treacherously: yet is she thy companion, and the wife of thy covenant.
- 15. And did not
- he make one?

Yet had he the residue of the spirit. And wherefore one?

That he might seek a godly seed.

Therefore take heed to your spirit, and let none deal treacherously against the wife of his youth.

16. For the LORD, the God of Israel.

saith that he hateth

- putting away: for one covereth violence with his garment, saith the LORD of hosts:
- therefore take heed to your spirit,
- that ye deal not treacherously.
- 17. Ye have wearied the
 - LORD with your words. Yet ye say, Wherein have we wearied him?

■ | When ye say, Every one ■ that doeth evil is good in ■ the sight of the LORD, and ■ he delighteth in them:

or, Where is the God of judgment?

CHAPTER 3

■ I 1. Behold, I will send

my messenger, and he shall prepare the way

before me: and the LORD.

whom ve seek.

shall suddenly

come to his temple.

even the messenger of the covenant. whom ve delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts.

2. But who may abide the day of his coming?

and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap:

3. And he shall sit as a

refiner and purifier of silver:

and he shall

purify the sons of Levi. and purge them as gold and silver,

that they may offer unto the LORD

an offering in

righteousness.

4. Then shall the offering of Judah and Jerusalem be pleasant unto the LORD,

as in the days of old, and as in former years.

And I will come near to you to judgment;

and I will be a swift

witness against the

■ SOICEIEIS, and against the

adulterers, and against

■ I false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling

in his wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger from his right.

and fear not me.

saith the LORD of hosts.

6. For I am the LORD, I

change not: therefore ve sons of Jacob are not consumed.

7. Even from the days of your fathers

ye are gone away from mine ordinances, and have not kept them.

Return unto me, and

I will return unto you, saith the LORD of hosts.

But ve said. Wherein shall we return?

Will a man rob God? Yet ve have robbed me. But ve say, Wherein have we robbed thee?

In tithes and offerings.

9. Ye are cursed with a curse: for ve have robbed me.

even this whole nation.

10. Bring ye all the tithes into the storehouse, that there may be meat in mine house, and prove me now

herewith, saith the LORD of hosts.

if I will not open you

the windows of heaven.

and pour you out a

blessing, that there shall

not be room enough

to receive it.

11 And I will rebuke the devourer

for your sakes.

and he shall not destroy

the fruits of your ground: neither shall your vine cast her fruit before the time

in the field, saith the LORD of hosts.

12. And all nations shall call you blessed:

for ve shall be a delightsome land. saith the LORD of hosts.

13. Your words have been stout against me, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, What have we

spoken so much against thee? 14. **Ye have said. It is vain**

to serve God: and what **profit** is if that we have kept his ordinance, and that we have walked mournfully before the LORD of hosts?

15. And now we call the proud happy; yea,

they that work wickedness are set up:

vea. they that tempt

God are even

delivered.

■ 16. Then they that feared the LORD spake

often one to another:

and the LORD hearkened,

■ and a book of

remembrance was written

for them that feared the LORD, and that thought upon his name.

17. **And they shall be mine,** saith the LORD of hosts.

in that day when I make

up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth

his own son that serveth him.

18. **Then shall ye** return, and

discern between the

righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth him not

CHAPTER 4

■ 1. For, behold.

the day cometh, that

shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and

all that do wickedly, shall

be stubble: and the day that cometh

shall burn them up, saith

the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

2. But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings;

and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

3. And ye shall tread
 down the wicked;
 for they shall be askes

■ under the soles of

your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.

4. Remember ye
 the law of Moses
 my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel,

with the statutes
and judgments.
5. Behold, I will se

5. **Behold, I will send** you **Elijah** the prophet

Elijah the prophet
 before the coming of the
 great and dreadful day
 of the LORD:

6. And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers.

lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.



THE NEW TESTAMENT

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

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- I. The Birth and Childhood of Jesus Christ. Chapters 1:1—2:23
- II. The Beginning of the Ministry of Jesus Christ. Chapters 3:1—4:11
- III. The public Ministry of Jesus Christ in Fulfillment of Old Testament Prophecy. Chapters 4:12—25:46
- IV. **The Passion** of Jesus Christ in Fulfillment of Old Testament Prophecy. Chapters 26:1—27:66
- V. The Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Chapter 28:1—20

- 1. The book of the generation of Jesus Christ,
- the son of David,
 the son of Abraham.
 - 2. Abraham begat Isaac; and Isaac begat Jacob; and Jacob begat Judas and his brethren;
 - And Judas begat Phares and Zara of Thamar; and Phares begat Esrom; and Esrom begat Aram;
 - 4. And Aram begat Aminadab; and Aminadab begat Naasson; and Naasson begat Salmon;
 - 5. And Salmon begat Booz of Rachab; and Booz begat Obed of Ruth; and Obed begat Jesse;
 - And Jesse begat David the king; and David the king begat Solomon of her that had been the wife of Urias;
 - 7. And Solomon begat Roboam; and Roboam begat Abia; and Abia begat Asa;
 - 8. And Asa begat Josaphat; and Josaphat begat Joram; and Joram begat Ozias:
 - 9. And Ozias begat Joatham; and Joatham begat Achaz; and Achaz begat Ezekias;
 - 10. And Ezekias begat Manasses; and Manasses begat Amon; and Amon begat Josias;
 - 11. And Josias begat Jechonias and his brethren, about the time they were carried away to Babylon:
 - 12. And after they were brought to Babylon, Jechonias begat Salathiel; and Salathiel begat Zorobabel;
 - 13. And Zorobabel begat Abiud; and Abiud begat Eliakim; and Eliakim begat Azor;
 - 14. And Azor begat Sadoc; and Sadoc begat Achim; and Achim begat Eliud;
 - 15. And Eliud begat Eleazar; and Eleazar begat Matthan; and Matthan begat Jacob;
 - 16. And Jacob begat Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ.
 - 17. So all the generations
 - from Abraham to David are fourteen generations; and from David until the

- carrying away into
 Babylon are fourteen
 generations; and from
 the carrying away into
- Babylon unto Christ are fourteen generations.
 - 18. **Now** the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise:
- When as his mother
- Mary was espoused to
 Joseph, before they came
 together, she was found
- with child of the
- Holy Ghost.
- 19. Then Joseph her husband,
 being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example,
- was minded to put her away privily.
- 20. **But** while he thought on these things, behold,
- the angel of the LORD appeared unto him in a dream,
- saying, Joseph,
- fear not to take unto thee
 Mary thy wife:
- for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost.
- 21. And she shall bring forth
- a son, and thou shalt
- call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people
 - from their sins.
- 22. **Now all this** was done, that it might be fulfilled which
- was spoken of the Lord
- by the prophet, saying,
 Behold, a virgin shall
 - be with child, and shall
- bring forth a son, and they
- shall call his name Emmanuel, which
- being interpreted is, God with us.
- 24. **Then Joseph** being raised from sleep did as the angel of the Lord had bidden him, and
- took unto him his wife:
- 25. And knew her not till she
- had brought forth her firstborn son: and he called his name
- JESUS.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 1. Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea
- in the days of Herod the king, behold,
- there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem.
- 2. Saying, Where is he that is
- born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star
 - in the east.
- and are come to worship him.
- 3. When Herod the king had
- heard these things.
- he was troubled.

and all Jerusalem with him.

- 4 And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes
 - of the people together.
- he demanded of them
- where Christ should be born.
- 5. And they said unto him,
- In Bethlehem of Judaea:
- for thus it is written by the prophet.
 - 6. And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel.
- 7. Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men.
- inquired of them diligently
- what time the
- star appeared. 8. And he sent them to
- Bethlehem and
- said, Go and search diligently for the young child;

and when ye have found him. bring me word again,

- that I may come and
- worship him also.
 - 9. When they had heard the king.
- they departed; and, lo, the
- star, which they saw in the east,
- went before them, till it came and stood over
- where the young
 - child was.

- 10. When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.
- 11. And when they were come into the house.
- they saw the young
- child with Mary his mother. and fell down.
- and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they
- presented unto him
 - gifts; gold, and
- frankincense and myrrh.
- 12. And being warned of God in a dream that they
- should not return to Herod, they departed into
- their own country another way.
 - 13. And when they were departed, behold.
- the anael of the Lord
- appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and
- take the young child and
 - his mother, and flee into
 - Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word:
 - for Herod will seek the vouna child
 - to destroy him.
 - 14. When he arose.

- he took the vouna child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt:
 - 15. And was there until
 - the death of Herod:
- that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by
- the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son.
- 16. Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were
- in Bethlehem, and in all the
- coasts thereof.
- from two years old and under.
 - according to the time which he had diligently inquired of the wise men.
 - 17. Then was fulfilled that which was

spoken by Jeremy

the prophet, saving,

18. In Rama was there a voice

heard, lamentation, and weeping. and great

mourning, Rachel weeping

for her children, and would not be comforted, because they are not.

19. But when Herod was

dead. behold.

an angel of the Lord

appeareth in a dream

to Joseph in Egypt.

20. Saying, Arise, and take the young child and

his mother, and go into the land of

Israel: for they are dead which sought the young child's life.

21. And he arose, and took the young child and his mother, and came into the land of Israel.

22 But when he heard that

Archelaus did reign in Judaea in the room of

his father Herod.

he was afraid

to go thither; notwithstanding,

being warned of God in a dream.

he turned aside into

the parts of

Galilee:

23. And he came

and dwelt in a city called

■ Nazareth: that it might

■ be fulfilled

which was spoken by the prophets,

■ He shall be called

■ a Nazarene.

CHAPTER 3

■ | 1. In those days came John the Baptist, preaching

in the wilderness of Judaea.

2. And saying, Repent ye:

for the kingdom of heaven

is at hand.

■ 3. For this is he that was

spoken of by the prophet

■ Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the

wilderness. Prepare ve the

way of the Lord.

make his paths straight.

4. And the same John had his raiment of camel's hair, and a leathern girdle about his loins; and his meat was locusts and wild honey.

Then went out to him.

Jerusalem, and all

Judaea. and all the region round about

Jordan.

6. And were baptized of him in Jordan.

confessing their sins.

7. But when he saw many of

the Pharisees and

Sadducees come to his baptism,

he said unto them.

O generation of vipers.

who hath warned you to flee from the wrath

to come?

8. Bring forth therefore

fruits meet

for repentance:

a And think not

to say within yourselves,

We have Abraham to our father: for I say unto you, that

God is able of these

stones to raise up children unto Abraham.

10. And now also the axe is laid unto the root of the trees: therefore every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.

11. I indeed baptize you

with water unto repentance. but he that cometh after me

is mightier than I, whose

shoes I am not worthy to

bear: he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost, and with

fire:

12. Whose fan is in his hand, and he will throughly purge his floor, and gather his wheat into the garner; but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.

13. Then cometh Jesus

from Galilee to Jordan unto John, to be baptized of him.

14. But John forbad him. saying. I have need to be baptized of thee, and comest thou to me?

15. And Jesus answering

said unto him.

Suffer it to be so

now: for thus it becometh us

to fulfil all righteousness.

Then he suffered him.

16. And Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the

heavens were

opened unto him.

and he saw the Spirit of

■ God descending like a

dove, and lighting

upon him:

17. And lo a voice from

heaven, saying, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am

well pleased.

CHAPTER 4

1. **Then was Jesus** led up of the Spirit into the wilderness to be

tempted of the devil.

2. And when he had fasted ■ forty days and forty

nights, he was afterward an hungered.

3. And when

the tempter came to him, he

said. If thou be the Son of God, command that these

stones be made bread.

4. But he answered and said.

It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by

every word

that proceedeth out of the mouth

of God.

5. Then the devil taketh him up into the holy city, and

setteth him on a pinnacle of the temple.

6. And saith

unto him. If thou be the Son of God.

cast thyself down: for it is

written. He shall give his

angels charge concerning thee: and in their hands they

shall bear thee up, lest at any

time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

7. Jesus said unto him,

It is written again, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

8. Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the

kingdoms of the world.

and the glory of them:

9. And saith unto him. All these things will

I give thee, if thou wilt

fall down and

worship me. 10. Then saith Jesus unto him.

Get thee hence. Satan: for it is written. Thou shalf worship the Lord thy God. and him only shalt thou serve.

11. Then the devil leaveth

him, and, behold.

angels came and

ministered unto him.

12. Now when Jesus had heard that John was cast into prison, he departed

into Galilee:

13. And leaving Nazareth, he came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is upon the sea coast, in the borders of Zabulon and Nephthalim:

14. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saving.

15. The land of Zabulon, and the land of Nephthalim, by the way of the sea, beyond Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles:

16. The people which sat in darkness saw great light; and to them which sat in the region and shadow of death light is sprung up.

17. From that time Jesus began to preach, and to say,

Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.

18. And Jesus,

walking by the sea of Galilee. SQW two brethren. Simon called

Peter, and Andrew his

- **brother,** casting a net into the sea: for they were fishers.
- 19. And he saith unto them,
- Follow me, and I will make vou fishers of men.
- 20. And they

straightway left their nets, and

- followed him.
- 21. And going on from thence,
- he saw other two brethren,
- James the son of Zebedee,

and John his brother, in a ship with Zebedee their father,

mending their nets;
and he called them.

- 22. And they immediately
 - left the ship and their father, and
- followed him.
- 23. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their
- synagogues, and
- preaching the gospel of the kingdom.
- and healing all manner of
- sickness and all manner of disease among the people.

24. And his fame went throughout all Syria:

- and they brought unto him
- all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments.
- and those which were
- possessed with devils,
- and those which
- were lunatic,

and those that had the palsy;

- and he healed them.
- 25. And there followed him

great multitudes of people from Galilee, and from Decapolis, and from Jerusalem, and from Judaea, and from beyond Jordan.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. And seeing the
- multitudes, he went up into
 - a mountain: and when he was set, his disciples came unto him:
- 2. And he opened his mouth, and taught them, saying,
- 3. Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the
- kingdom of heaven.

- 4. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall
 be comforted.
- 5. Blessed are the meek; for
- they shall inherit the earth.

 6. Blessed are they which
- do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they
- shall be filled.
- 7. Blessed are the merciful:
 for they shall obtain mercy.
- 8. Blessed are the pure in
- heart: for they shall
- see God.
- 9. Blessed are the peacemakers: for
- peacemakers: for they shall be called the children
- of God.
- 10. Blessed are they which are persecuted for
- I are persecuted for
- righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom
 - of heaven.
- 11. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and
- persecute you, and shall
- Say all manner of
- evil against you falsely, for my sake.
 - 12. **Reioice**.

and be exceeding glad:

for great is your reward

in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you.

- 13. Ye are the salt of the
- earth: but if the salt have lost his savour,

wherewith shall it be salted?

- if is thenceforth
- good for nothing,

but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

- 14. Ye are the light of the
- world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid.
 - 15. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house.
- 16. Let your light so shine
- before men, that they may see your good works, and
- glorify your Father

which is in heaven

17. Think not that I am come to destroy the law,

or the prophets:

I am not come to destroy. but to fulfil.

18. For verily I say unto you,

Till heaven and earth pass, one jot

or one tittle

shall in no wise pass from the law.

till all be fulfilled.

19. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these

least commandments, and shall teach men so, he

shall be called the

least in the kingdom of heaven:

but whosoever shall do and teach them, the same shall be called great

> in the kingdom of heaven. 20. For I say unto you, That

except your righteousness shall exceed the

righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, ye shall in no case enter into

the kingdom of heaven. 21. Ye have heard

that it was said by them of old time. Thou shall not kill:

and whosoever shall kill shall be in danger of the judgment:

22. But I say unto you. That

whosoever is angry with his brother without a cause

shall be in danger of the

judgment: and whosoever shall say to his brother, Raca, shall be in danger of the council; but

whosoever shall say, Thou fool, shall be in danger of hell fire.

23. Therefore if thou bring thy gift to the altar, and there

rememberest that thy brother hath aught

against thee:

24. Leave there thy gift before the altar.

and on thy way:

first be reconciled to thy brother.

and then come and offer thy gift.

25. **Agree with thine**

adversary quickly, whiles thou art in the way with him; lest at any time the adversary deliver thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and thou be cast into prison.

26. Verily I say unto thee, Thou shalt by no means come out thence, till thou hast paid the uttermost farthing. 27. Ye have heard that it was

said by them of old time.

Thou shalt not commit adultery:

28. But I say unto you, That . whosoever looketh on a

woman to lust after her hath committed adultery

with her already

in his heart.

29. And if thy right eye offend thee, pluck it out.

and cast it from thee:

for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

30. And if thy right hand offend thee, cut it off, and cast it from thee: for it is profitable for thee that one of thy members should perish, and not that thy whole body should be cast into hell.

31. It hath been said. Whosoever shall put away his wife, let him give her a writing of divorcement:

32. But I say unto you, That

whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for

the cause of

fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced

committeth adultery.

33. Again, ye have heard that it hath been said by them of old time, Thou shalt not forswear

thyself, but shalt perform unto the Lord thine oaths:

34. But I say unto you.

Swear not at all: neither by heaven; for it is God's throne; 35. Nor by the earth: for it is his footstool: neither by Jerusalem; for it is the city of the great King. 36. Neither shalt thou swear by thy

head, because thou canst not make one hair white or black

37. But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more

than these

cometh of evil.

38 Ye have heard

that it hath been said.

An eve for an eve.

and a tooth for a tooth:

39. But I say unto you, That ye resist not evil; but

whosoever shall smite thee on thy right cheek, turn to him the other also.

40. And if any man will sue thee at the law.

and take away thy coat, let him have thy clock also.

41. And whosoever shall compel thee to go a mile. go with him twain.

42. Give to him that asketh thee, and from him that

would borrow of thee

turn not thou away.

43. Ye have heard that it hath been said.

Thou shalt love thy neighbour, and hate

thine enemy.

44. But I say unto you, Love your enemies.

> bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you;

45. That ye may be the ■ children of your Father which is in heaven:

for he maketh his sun to rise on the evil and on the

good, and sendeth rain on the just

and on the unjust.

46. For if ye love them which love you, what reward have ve?

do not even the publicans

the same?

47. And if ye salute your

brethren only, what do ve more than others?

do not even the publicans so?

48. Be ve therefore perfect.

even as your Father which is in heaven

■ is perfect.

CHAPTER 6

1. Take heed that ve

do not your alms before

men, to be seen of them:

otherwise ye have no

reward of your Father which is in heaven.

2. Therefore when thou doest thine. alms, do not sound a trumpet before thee, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, that they may have glory of men. Verily I say unto you. They have their reward.

3. But when thou doest

alms, let not thy left hand

know what thy right hand doeth:

That thine alms may be in secret:

and thy Father which seeth in secret himself

shall reward thee openly. And when thou prayest,

thou shalt not be as the

hypocrites are: for they love to pray standing in the synagogues and in the corners of the streets, that they may be seen of men. Verily I say unto

you, They have their reward.

6. But thou, when thou prayest, enter

into thy closet. and when thou hast shut thy door, pray to thy Father which is

in secret; and thy Father

which seeth in secret shall reward thee openly.

7. But when ye pray,

use not vain repetitions, as the heathen do: for they think that

they shall be heard for their much speaking. 8. Be not ye therefore like unto them: for

your Father

knoweth what things

ve have

need of, before ye ask him.

9. After this manner therefore pray ye: Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed be

thy name. 10. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done in earth, as it is

in heaven. 11. Give us this day our daily bread.

12. And forgive us our ■ i debts, as we forgive

our debtors. 13. And lead us not into

temptation, but deliver us from evil: For thine is the kingdom, and the power. and the glory, for ever. Amen.

14. For if ye forgive men their trespasses.

your heavenly Father will also forgive you:

15. But if ye forgive not men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

16 Moreover when ye fast, be not, as the hypocrites, of a sad countenance: for

they disfigure their faces, that they may appear unto men to fast. Verily I say unto you, They have their reward.

17. But thou, when thou fastest,

anoint thine head, and wash thy face:

18. That thou appear not unto men to fast, but unto thy Father which is in secret:

and thy Father, which seeth in secret, shall reward thee openly.

19. Lay not up for

yourselves treasures upon

earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal:

20. **But lay up** for yourselves treasures in heaven. where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

21. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

> 22. The light of the body is the eye: if therefore thine eye be single, thy whole body shall be full of light. 23. But if thine eye be evil, thy whole body shall be full of darkness. If therefore the light that is in thee be darkness, how great is that darkness! 24. No man can serve two

masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other.

Ye cannot serve God and mammon.

25. Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your

life, what ve shall

eat, or what ye shall

drink; nor yet for your body. what ye shall

put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

26. Behold the fowls of the air: for

they sow not, neither do

they reap, nor gather into barns; vet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ve

not much better than they? 27. Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit

unto his stature?

28. And why take ye thought for raiment?

Consider the lilies

of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

29. **And vet** I say unto you, That even

Solomon in all his glory

was not arrayed like one of these.

> 30. Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast

into the oven,

shall he not much more clothe you, O ye

clothe you, O ye of little faith?

31. Therefore take no

thought, saying, What shall

we eat? or, What shall we

drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

32. (For after all these things do the Gentiles seek:) for

YOUI heavenly

■ Father knoweth that

■ ye have need of all these things.

■ 33. But seek ye first the

kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all

these things shall be

■ added unto you.

34. Take therefore nothought for the morrow:

for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Judge not, that ye be not judged.
 - For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again.
- 3. And why beholdest thou the mote that is
- in thy brother's eye, but
 - considerest not the beam that is
- in thine own eye?
 - 4. Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye?
- 5. Thou hypocrite, first cast
- out the beam out
- of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to
- cast out the mote out of thy brother's eye.
 - Give not that which is holy unto the dogs, neither cast ye your pearls before swine, lest they trample them under their feet, and turn again and rend you.

- 7. Ask, and it shall be given you;
- seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be
 - opened unto you:
 - 8. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
 - 9 Or what man

is there of you, whom

- if his son ask bread, will he give him a stone?
- 10. Or if he ask a fish, will he give him a serpent?
- 11 If ye then, being evil, ■ know how to give good
- giffs unto your children,
- how much more shall your
- Father which is in heaven
- give good things to them that ask him?
- 12. Therefore all things
- whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so
- **to them:** for this is the law and the prophets.
- 13. Enter ye in at the strait
 gate: for wide is the gate,
 and broad is the way, that
 leadeth to destruction, and
- many there be which go in thereat:

 14. Because strait is the
 gate, and narrow is the
- way, which leadeth unto■ life, and few there be that
- find it.
- 15. Beware of false
- prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but
- inwardly they
- **Gre** ravening
- wolves.

 16. Ye shall know them by
 - their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?
 - 17. Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.
- 18. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a
 - corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

- 19. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.
- 20. Wherefore by their fruits ve shall know them.
- 21. Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven:
- but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.
 - 22. Many will say

to me in that day.

- Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have
- cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?
- 23. And then will I profess unto them. I never knew
 - **you**: depart from me, ve that work iniquity.
- 24 Therefore whosoever heareth these savings of mine.
- and doeth them. I will liken
- unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:
- 25. And the rain descended.
- and the
- floods came.
- and the
- winds blew, and
- beat upon that house: and it fell not:
 - for it was founded upon a rock.
- 26. And every one that heareth these sayings
- of mine and doeth them not.
- shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:
- 27. And the rain descended.
- and the
- I floods came.
- and the
- winds blew, and
- | beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was
- I the fall of it.

- 28. And it came to pass, when Jesus had ended these savings.
- the people were
- astonished at his doctrine:
- 29. For he taught them
- as *one* having authority, and not as the scribes.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. When he was come down from the mountain, great
- multitudes followed him.
- 2. **And,** behold, there came
 - a leper and
- worshipped him, saying, Lord, if thou wilt,
- thou canst make me clean.
- 3 And Jesus

put forth his hand, and

- touched him, saying, I will;
- be thou clean. And immediately
 - his leprosy was cleansed.
- And Jesus saith unto him.
 - See thou tell no man; but go thy way.
 - shew thyself to the priest, and offer the gift that Moses commanded.
- for a testimony unto them.
- 5. And when Jesus was
- entered into
- Caper naum, there came
- a centurion, beseeching him. 6. And
- saying, Lord,
 - my servant lieth at home
- sick of the
- **palsy**, grievously tormented.
- 7. And Jesus saith unto him. I will come and heal him.
- 8. The centurion answered and
- said, Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldest come
- under my roof: but speak the word only, and my servant shall be healed.
 - 9. For I am a man under authority. having soldiers under me: and I say to this man. Go, and he goeth; and to another. Come, and he cometh; and to

my servant, Do this, and he doeth it.

- 10. When Jesus heard it.
- he marvelled, and
 - said to them that followed,
 - Verily I say unto you

■ I have not found so great ■ faith, no, not in Israel.

- 11. And I say unto you, That many shall come from the east and west. and shall sit down with Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, in the kingdom of heaven.
- 12. But the children of the kingdom shall be cast out into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- 13. And Jesus said unto the **centurion.** Go thy way; and as thou hast believed. so
 - be if done unto thee.
- And his servant was
- healed in the selfsame hour.
- 14. And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he
- saw his wife's mother laid, and
- sick of a fever.
- 15. And he touched her hand, and the fever left

her; and she arose, and ministered unto them.

- 16. When the even was come, they brought unto him many that were possessed with devils:
- and he cast out the spirits with his word, and healed all that were sick:
 - 17. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying,
- Himself took our infirmities. and bare our sicknesses.
 - 18. Now when Jesus saw great multitudes about him, he gave commandment to depart unto the other side.
- 19. And a certain scribe came, and
- said unto him. Master.
- I will follow thee

whithersoever thou goest.

20. And Jesus saith unto him. The foxes have holes, and the birds of the air have nests; but

- the Son of man hath not where to lay his head.
- 21. And another of his disciples
- said unto him.
- Lord, suffer me first to ao and bury my father.
- 22. But Jesus said unto him. Follow me: and
- let the dead bury their dead.
- 23 And when he was
- entered into
- a ship, his disciples
- followed him.
- 24. And, behold, there arose a great tempest

in the sea, insomuch that the ship was covered with the waves:

- but he was asleep.
- 25. And his disciples came to him, and
- awoke him, saying, Lord, save us: we perish.
- 26. And he saith
- unto them. Why are ye fearful,
- O ye of little faith? Then he arose, and
 - rebuked the winds
 - and the sea:
- and there was a
- great calm.
- 27. But the men marvelled.
- saying, What manner of
- man is this, that
- even the winds and the
- sea obey him!
- 28. And when he was come to the other side
- into the country of the
- Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils,

coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way.

- 29. And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we
- to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither
- to torment us before
- the time?
 - 30. And there was a good way off from them an herd of many swine feeding.

31. So the devils besought him, saying, If thou cast us out,

suffer us to go away ■ into the herd of swine.

■ 32. And he said unto them.

Go. And when they were come out,

they went into the herd of swine:

and, behold.

the whole herd of swine

ran violently down a steep place into the sea, and perished

in the waters.

33. And they that kept them fled.

and went their ways into the city.

and told every thing, and what was befallen to the

possessed of the devils.

■ 34. And, behold, the whole

city came out to meet Jesus:

and when they saw him, they

■ besought *him* that he would **depart** out of their coasts.

CHAPTER 9

1. And he entered into a ship, and passed over, and

came into his own city.

2. And, behold,

they brought to

him a man sick of the

palsy, lying on a bed:

and Jesus seeing their faith

said unto the sick of the palsy;

Son, be of good cheer;

thy sins be forgiven thee. 3. And, behold, certain of

the scribes said within

themselves. This *man* blasphemeth.

4. And Jesus knowing their thoughts said, Wherefore

think ye evil in your hearts?

5. For whether is easier, to say. Thy sins be forgiven thee:

■ Of to say.

■ Arise, and walk?

■ 6. But that ye may know that

■ the Son of man

hath power on earth

■ to forgive sins, (then saith

he to the sick of the palsy.) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

7. And he arose.

and departed to his house. 8. But when the multitudes saw it, they marvelled, and glorified God, which had given such power unto men.

9. And as Jesus passed forth from thence.

he saw a man, named

Matthew, sitting at the receipt of custom:

and he saith unto him.

Follow me. And he arose, and followed him.

10. And it came to pass,

as Jesus sat at meat in the house, behold.

many publicans and

sinners came and sat down with him

and his disciples.

11. And when the Pharisees saw *it.* they said

unto his disciples.

Why eateth your Master

with publicans and sinners?

12. But when

Jesus heard that, he

said unto them,

They that be whole need not a physician.

but they that are sick.

13. But go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice: for

I am not come to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

14. Then came to him

the disciples of John, saying, Why do we and the

Pharisees fast oft,

but thy disciples fast not?

15. And Jesus said unto them. Can the children of the

bridechamber mourn, as long as the bridegroom is

with them? but the days will come, when the bridegroom shall be taken from them, and then shall they fast.

- 16. No man putteth a piece of new cloth unto an old garment, for that which is put in to fill it up taketh from the garment, and the rent is made worse
- 17. Neither do men put new wine into old bottles; else the bottles break. and the wine runneth out, and the bottles perish: but they put new wine into new bottles, and both are preserved.
- 18. While he spake
 - these things unto them, behold.
- there came a certain ruler. and worshipped him.
- saving. My daughter is even now
- dead: but come and lay thy hand upon her.
- and she shall live. 19. And Jesus arose, and followed
- him, and so did his disciples. 20. And, behold, a woman,
- which was diseased with an issue of blood
 - twelve years, came behind him, and touched the hem of
 - his aarment:
- 21. For she said within herself. ■ If I may but touch his
- garment, I shall be whole.
- 22. But Jesus turned him about.
- and when he saw her, he said, Daughter,
 - be of good comfort;
- thy faith hath made thee
- whole. And the woman was made whole from that hour
- 23. And when Jesus came into the ruler's house. and saw the minstrels and the

people making a noise.

- 24. He said
- unto them, Give place: for
- the maid is not dead, but ■ sleepeth. And they laughed ■ I him to scorn.
- 25. **But** when the people
- were put forth. ■ he went in, and
- took her by the hand, and the maid arose.
 - 26. And the fame hereof went abroad

into all that land

- 27. And when Jesus
 - departed thence.
- two blind men followed
- him, crying, and saving, Thou son of David, have mercy on us.
 - 28. And when he was come.
 - into the house.

the blind men came to him:

- and Jesus saith unto them.
- Believe ve that I am able to do this? They said unto him,
- Yea, Lord.
- 29. Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to
- your faith be it unto you.
- 30. And their eves were opened; and Jesus straitly
- charged them, saving,

See that no man know it.

- 31. But they, when they were departed, spread abroad his fame in all that country.
- 32. As they went out, behold,
- they brought to him
- a dumb man possessed with a devil.
- 33. And when the devil was cast out, the dumb spake:
 - and the multitudes marvelled, saying, It was never so seen in Israel.
- 34. But the Pharisees said.
- He casteth out devils
 - through the prince of the devils.

- 35 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages,
- teaching in their synagogues,
- and preaching

the aospel of the kingdom,

- and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.
- 36. But when he saw the
- multitudes, he was moved with compassion on them,
- because they fainted, and
- were scattered abroad.
- as sheep having
- no shepherd.
- 37. Then saith he unto his disciples.
- The harvest truly is plenteous, but the

- I labourers are few:
- 38. **Pray ye** therefore
- I the Lord of the harvest.
- that he will send forth
- labourers into his harvest

CHAPTER 10

- 1. And when he had called
 - unto him
- his twelve disciples, he
 - **gave** them
- power *against* unclean
- spirits, to cast them out.
- and to heal all manner of
- sickness and all

manner of disease.

- 2. Now the names of the twelve apostles are these: The first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother: James the son of Zebedee. and John his brother:
- 3. Philip, and Bartholomew; Thomas, and Matthew the publican: James the son of Alphaeus, and Lebbaeus. whose surname was Thaddaeus:
- 4. Simon the Canaanite, and Judas Iscariot, who also betraved him.
- 5. These twelve Jesus sent forth, and
 - commanded them.
- saving. Go not into the way of the Gentiles, and into
 - any city of
- the Samaritans enter ye not:
- 6. But go rather to the lost
- sheep of the house of Israel.
- 7. And as ye go,
- preach, saying, The kingdom of heaven
 - is at hand.
- 8. **Heal** the sick, cleanse the lepers, raise the dead, cast out
- devils: freely ye have received, freely give.
- 9 Provide neither gold.
- nor silver, nor brass in your purses,
- 10. Nor scrip for your journey.
- neither two coats, neither ■ shoes, nor yet staves: for the workman is worthy of

- 11. And into whatsoever city or town
- ve shall enter. **inauire who** in it
 - is worthy: and there abide till ye go thence.
 - 12. And when ye come into an house, salute it.
- 13 And if the house be worthy, let your peace
 - come upon if: but if it be not worthy, let your peace return to you.
- 14. And whosoever shall
 - not receive you, nor hear your words.
 - when ye depart
- out of that house or city. shake off the dust of
 - your feet.
 - 15. Verily I say unto you,
- It shall be more tolerable for the land of
- Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.
- 16. Behold, I send you forth
- as sheep in the midst of
- wolves: be ye therefore wise as serpents, and
- harmless as doves. 17. But beware of men: for
 - they will deliver you up to the councils, and they will
 - scourge you
 - in their synagogues;
- 18. And ye shall be brought
- before governors and kings for my sake,
 - for a testimony
 - against them and the Gentiles.
 - 19. But when they deliver you up.
- take no thought how or what ye shall speak:
- for it shall be given you
- in that same hour what ve shall speak.
 - 20. For it is not ye that speak, but the Spirit of your Father
 - which speaketh in you.
- 21. And the brother shall
- deliver up the
 - brother to death, and the father the child: and the
 - children shall rise up against

- their parents, and causethem to be put to death.
- 22. And ye shall be hated of all men
- for my name's sake: but he that endureth to the end shall be sayed.
 - 23. But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another: for verily I say unto you, Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come.
 - 24. The disciple is not above *his* master, nor the servant above his lord
 - 25. It is enough for the disciple that he be as his master, and the servant as his lord. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebub, how much more *shall they call* them of his housebold?
- 26. Fear them not therefore:
 for there is nothing covered,
 that shall not be revealed;
- and hid, that shall not be known.

 27. What I tell you in
- darkness, that speak ye in light: and what ye hear in the ear,
- that preach ye upon the housetops.
- 28. And fear not them which kill the body.
 - but are not able to kill the soul:
- but rather fear him which is
 able to destroy both soul
 and body in hell.
- 29. Are not two sparrows
- sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground
- without your Father.
- 30. But the very hairs of your head are all numbered.
- 31. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value
- than many sparrows.
- 32. Whosoever therefore
- shall confess me before
 men, him will I confess also
 before my Father
 - before my Father which is in heaven
- 33. But whosoever shall
 - deny me before men.

- him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.
- 34. Think not that I am come to send peace
- on earth: I came not to send peace,

 but a sword.
- 35. For I am come to set a
- man at variance
 against his father, and the
- daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.
- 36. And a man's foes shall be they of his own household.
- 37. He that loveth father or mother more than me is not worthy of me: and he that loveth son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me
- 38. And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me,
- is not worthy of me.

that sent me.

- 39. He that findeth his life shall lose it: and
- he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.
- 40. He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him
 - 41. He that receiveth a prophet in the name of a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward; and he that receiveth a righteous man in the name of a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward.
 - 42. And whosoever shall give to drink unto one of these little ones a cup of cold *water* only in the name of a disciple, verily I say unto you, he shall in no wise lose his reward.

CHAPTER 11

- And it came to pass, when Jesus had made an end of commanding his twelve disciples, he departed thence to teach and to preach in their cities.
- 2. Now when John had
- heard in the prison
- the works of Christ, he sent
 - two of his disciples,
- 3. And said unto him.

Art thou he that should come, or do we look for another? 4 Jesus answered

and said unto them.

Go and shew John again those things which ye do hear and see:

- 5. The blind receive their sight, and the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, and the deaf hear, the dead are raised up, and the poor have the gospel preached to them.
- 6. And blessed is he. whosoever shall not be offended in me.
- 7. And as they departed,
- Jesus began to say unto the multitudes concerning John, What went ye

out into the wilderness

to see?

A reed shaken with the wind?

- 8. But what went ve out for to see? A man clothed in soft raiment? behold. they that wear soft clothing are in kings' houses.
- 9. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yea, I say unto you.
- and more than a prophet. 10. For this is he, of whom it is written, Behold, I send
- my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy **W**ay before thee.
 - 11. Verily I say unto you, Among them
- that are born of women there hath not risen a
- greater than John the Baptist: notwithstanding he that is least in the kingdom

of heaven

- is greater than he.
 - 12. And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.
 - 13. For all the prophets and the law prophesied until John.
 - 14. And if ye will receive it, this is Elias, which was for to come.
 - 15. He that hath ears to hear. let him hear.

16. But whereunto shall I liken this generation?

It is like unto children sitting in the markets, and calling unto their fellows.

- 17. And saying, We have piped unto you, and ye have not danced; we have mourned unto you, and ve have not lamented.
- 18. For John came neither eating nor drinking, and they say. He hath a devil.
- 19. The Son of man came eating and drinking, and they say, Behold a man
- gluttonous, and a winebibber. a friend of publicans and
- sinners. But wisdom is justified of her children.
 - 20. Then began he to upbraid the cities wherein most of his mighty works were done, because they repented not:
- 21. Woe unto thee.
 - Chorazin! woe unto thee.
 - Bethsaida! for if the mighty works, which were done in you, had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would have repented long ago in sackcloth and ashes.
 - 22. But I sav unto vou.
- It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of
- judgment, than for you. 23. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted unto heaven, shalt be brought down to hell: for
- if the mighty works, which have been done in thee. had been done in Sodom, it would have remained
 - until this day.
- 24. But I say unto you, That
- it shall be more tolerable
- for the land of

- Sodom in the day of
- judgment, than for thee.
 - 25. At that time Jesus
 - answered and
 - said, I thank thee, O Father. Lord of heaven and earth,
 - because thou hast hid

these things from the wise and prudent.

and hast

revealed them unto babes. 26. Even so. Father: for so it seemed

good in thy sight.

27. All things are delivered unto me of my Father:

and no man knoweth

the Son, but the Father; neither knoweth any man

the Father, save the Son. and he to whomsoever the

Son will reveal him.

28. Come unto me, all ve that labour and are heavy laden.

and I will give you rest.

29. Take my voke upon you. and learn of me:

for I am meek and lowly in heart:

and ve shall find rest

unto your souls.

30. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light.

CHAPTER 12

1. At that time

Jesus went on the sabbath day through the corn: and

■ his disciples

were an hungered, and

■ began to pluck the ears of corn and to eat.

2. But when the Pharisees saw it, they said

unto him. Behold.

thy disciples do that which

is not lawful to do

upon the sabbath day.

3. But he said

unto them, Have ye not read what David did, when he was an

hungered, and they that were with him:

4. How he entered into the house of God, and

did eat the shewbread. which was not lawful for him to eat.

> neither for them which were with him. but only for the priests?

5. Or have ye not read in the law, how

that on the sabbath days the priests in the temple profane the sabbath. and are blameless?

6. But I say unto you. That

in this place is *one* greater than the temple.

7. But if ve had known what this meaneth. I will have mercy, and not sacrifice, ve would not have condemned the guiltless.

8. For the Son of man

is Lord even

of the sabbath day.

And when he was departed thence, he went into their synagogue:

10. And, behold, there was a man which had his hand withered. And they asked

him, saying.

Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath days? that they

might accuse him.

11. And he said unto them.

What man

shall there be among you, that shall have one sheep.

and if it

fall into a pit on the

sabbath day.

will he

not lay hold on it, and

lift it out?

12 How much then is a man

better than a sheep?

Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.

13. Then saith he to the man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it forth:

and it was restored whole, like as the other.

14. Then the Pharisees

went out, and held a council against him,

how they might

destroy him. 15 But when Jesus knew it.

he withdrew himself from thence:

and great multitudes

followed him.

and he healed them all:

16. And charged them that

■ they should not make him

known:

17. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by

Esaias the prophet, saving, 18. Behold my servant,

whom I have chosen: my beloved, in

whom my

soul is well pleased:

I will put my spirit upon

> him, and he shall shew judgment to the Gentiles.

19. He shall not strive, nor cry: neither shall any man hear his voice in the streets.

20. A bruised reed shall he not break, and smoking flax shall he not quench, till he send forth judgment unto victory.

- 21 And in his name shall the Gentiles trust.
- 22. Then was brought unto him one possessed
 - with a devil, blind, and dumb: and he healed him. insomuch that the blind and dumb

both spake and saw. 23. And all the people were amazed, and said. Is not this the son of David?

- 24. But when the Pharisees heard it.
- they said, This fellow doth
- not cast out devils. but by Beelzebub

the prince of the devils.

25. And Jesus knew their thoughts, and said

> unto them, Every kingdom divided against itself is brought to desolation; and every city or house divided against itself shall not stand:

- 26. And if Satan cast out Satan, he is divided against himself:
- how shall then his kinadom stand?
 - 27. And if I by Beelzebub cast out devils, by whom do your children cast them out? therefore they shall be your judges.
- **B** 28. But if I cast out devils by the Spirit of God, then the kingdom of God is come

unto you.

29. Or else how can one enter into a strong man's house, and spoil his goods, except he first bind the strong man? and then he will spoil his house.

30. He that is not with me is against me;

and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad

31. Wherefore I say unto you,

All manner of sin and blasphemy shall be forgiven unto men:

but the blasphemy against

the *Holy* Ghost shall not be forgiven unto men.

32. And whosoever

speaketh a word

against the Son of man. it shall be forgiven him:

but whosoever speaketh against the Holy Ghost, it shall not be forgiven

him, neither

in this world, neither in the world to come.

33. Either make the tree good, and his fruit good; or else make the tree corrupt, and his fruit corrupt: for the tree is known by his fruit.

34. O generation of vipers.

can ye, being evil, speak good things?

> for out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.

35. A good man out of the good treasure of the heart bringeth forth good things; and an evil man out of the evil treasure bringeth forth evil things.

36. But I say unto you.

That every idle word

that men shall

speak, they shall give

account thereof in the day of judgment.

37. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and

by thy words thou shalt be condemned.

38. Then certain

of the scribes and of the

- Pharisees answered, saving, Master, we would see a sian from thee.
 - 39. But he answered and said unto them.

An evil and adulterous

aeneration seeketh after a sian: and there shall no

sign be given to it,

but the sign of the prophet

Jonas:

40. For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly:

so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights

in the heart of the earth.

41. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and

shall condemn it:

because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and,

behold, a greater than Jonas is here.

42. The gueen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

43. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man.

he walketh through dry places.

seeking rest, and findeth none.

44. Then he saith, I will return into my house

from whence I came out:

and when he is come.

he findeth it empty.

swept, and garnished. 45. Then goeth he, and

taketh with himself

■ seven other spirits more wicked than himself.

and they enter in and dwell there:

and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

Even so shall it be also

unto this wicked

generation.

46. While he yet talked to the people. behold, his mother and his brethren stood without, desiring to speak with him.

47. Then one said unto him.

Behold, thy mother and thy brethren stand without.

desiring to speak

with thee.

48. But he answered and said unto him that told him. Who is my mother? and who are my brethren?

49. And he stretched forth

his hand toward his disciples, and said,

Behold my mother

and my brethren!

50. For whosoever shall do

the will of my Father which is in heaven.

the same is my brother, and

■ sister, and mother.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. The same day went Jesus out of the house, and sat by the sea side. 2. And great multitudes were gathered together unto him, so that
- he went into a ship, and sat;

and the whole multitude

stood on the shore.

3. And he spake many things unto them in

parables, saying, Behold,

a sower went forth to sow:

And when he sowed.

some seeds fell by the way

side, and the

fowls came and

devoured them up:

5. Some fell upon stony

places, where they had not much earth: and forthwith they sprung up, because they had no

deepness of earth:

6. And when the sun was up, they were scorched; and

because they had

no root, they

withered away.

7. And some fell amona thorns: and the thorns

sprung up, and

choked them:

8. But other fell into good ground, and brought forth fruit, some an hundredfold, some

sixtyfold, some thirtyfold.

9. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear. 10. And the disciples came, and

said unto him.

Why speakest thou unto them in parables?

11 He answered and said unto them.

Because it is given unto you to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven,

but to them It is not given.

12. For whosoever hath, to him shall be given, and he shall have more abundance:

but whosoever hath not. from him shall be taken away even that he hath.

13. **Therefore speak I** to them in parables: because they

seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.

14. And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith,

By hearing ye shall hear,

and shall

not understand; and

seeing ve shall see, and shall not perceive:

15. For this people's heart is

waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing,

and their eyes they have

closed; lest at any time they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and should understand with their heart, and should be converted, and I should heal them.

16. But blessed are your

E eyes, for they see:

■ and your

ears, for they hear.

■ 17. For verily I say unto you, That **many** prophets and righteous *men*

have desired to see those

■ *things* which ye see,

and have not seen them:

and to hear those things which ye hear and have not heard them.

18. Hear ye therefore the parable of the sower.

19. When any one heareth the word of the kingdom.

and understandeth it not. then cometh

the wicked one, and

catcheth away that which

Was sown in his heart.

This is he which received seed by the way side.

20. But he that received the seed into stony places. the same

is he that heareth the word.

and anon with joy receiveth it:

21. **Yet hath he not root** in himself, but dureth for a while:

for when tribulation

or persecution

ariseth because of the word, by and by

he is offended.

22. He also that received seed among the thorns

is he that heareth the word:

and the care of this world.

and the deceitfulness of

riches, choke the word. and he becometh unfruitful.

23 But he that received seed into the

good ground is he that heareth the word,

and understandeth

it: which also

beareth fruit, and bringeth forth, some

an hundredfold,

some sixty, some thirty. 24. Another parable put he forth unto them, saying,

The kingdom of heaven

is likened unto a man which sowed good seed

in his field:

25. But while men slept,

his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way.

26. But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also.

27. So the servants of the householder came and

said unto him.

■ Sir, didst not thou sow

good seed in thy field?
from whence then

from whence the hath it tares?

28. **He said** unto them,

An enemy hath done this.

The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? 29. But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.

30. Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of

harvest I will say to the reapers.

Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to

burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.

31. Another parable put he forth unto them.

saying, The kingdom

of heaven

■ is like to

■ **G** grain of

mustard seed, which a man took, and

sowed in his field:

■ 32. Which indeed is the

least of all seeds: but when it is

grown, it is the

greatest among herbs, and becometh a tree,

so that the birds of the air come and lodge in the branches thereof.

33. Another parable spake he unto them;

■ The kingdom of heaven

■ is like unto

leaven, which a woman took, and

hid in three measures of meal, till the whole

ı | was leavened.

■ 34. All these things spake

Jesus unto the multitude in parables; and without a parable spake he not unto them:

 35. That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying,

■ | Will open my mouth

in parables; 1 will

utter things which have
 been kept secret from the
 foundation of the world.

36. Then Jesus sent the multitude

away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him,

saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

37. He answered and said unto them,

■ He that soweth the good seed

■ is the Son of man;

38. The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the
 tares are the children of the

wicked one;

39. The enemy that sowed themis the devil; the harvest is

■ the end of the world;

and the reapers are

the angels.

40. As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire:

so shall it be in the end

41. The Son of man shall

send forth
his angels, and they shall

gather out of his kingdom

■ all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;

42. And shall cast them into a furnace of fire: there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

43. Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

44. **Again, the kingdom**

is like unto treasure hid in a field: the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and

for joy thereof goeth and

selleth all that

he hath.

and buyeth that field.

45. Again, the kingdom of heaven

is like unto

a merchant man.

seeking goodly

pearls:

46. Who, when he had

found one pearl of great

Drice, went and

sold all that

he had, and bought it.

47. Again, the kingdom of heaven

is like unto a net, that was

cast into the sea, and gathered of every kind:

> 48. Which, when it was full, they drew to shore, and sat down.

and gathered the good into vessels.

but cast the bad away. 49. So shall it be at the end

of the world: the angels shall come forth, and

sever the wicked from among the just.

50. And shall cast them into

the furnace of

fire: there shall be wailing and anashing of teeth.

51. Jesus saith unto them, Have ye understood all these things? They say unto him, Yea, Lord.

52. Then said he unto them. Therefore every scribe which is instructed unto the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder, which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old.

53. **And** it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these

parables, he

■ I departed thence.

■ 54. And when he was come into his own country, he

taught them in their synagogue.

insomuch that they were astonished, and said, Whence hath this man this

wisdom, and these mighty

works?

55 Is not this the

carpenter's son? is not his mother called Mary? and his brethren, James, and Joses. and Simon, and Judas?

56. And his sisters, are they not all with us? Whence then hath this man all these things?

57. And they were offended in him

But Jesus said unto them,

A prophet is not without honour, save in his own

country, and in his own house.

58. And he did not many mighty works there because of their unbelief.

CHAPTER 14

1. At that time

Herod the tetrarch heard of the fame of Jesus.

And said unto his servants.

This is John the Baptist: he is risen from the dead; and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.

3 For Herod had laid hold on John, and bound him, and

put *him* in prison for

Herodias' sake, his brother Philip's wife.

4. For John said unto him, It is not lawful for thee to

have her.

> 5. And when he would have put him to death, he feared the multitude. because they counted him as a prophet.

6. But when Herod's

birthday was kept, the daughter of Herodias

danced before them.

and pleased Herod.

7. Whereupon he promised

with an oath to give

her whatsoever she would ask.

8. And she, being before

- instructed of her mother. said. Give me here John Baptist's head
- in a charger. 9. And the king was sorry: nevertheless for the oath's sake, and them which sat with him at meat. he commanded it to be given her. 10. And he sent, and
- beheaded John in the prison.
- 11. And his head was brought in a charger,

and given to the damsel: and she brought it to her mother.

- 12. And his disciples came.
- and took up
- the body, and buried it.
- and went and
- told Jesus.
- 13. When Jesus heard of it.
- he departed thence
- by ship into a
- desert place apart:
- and when the
- people had heard thereof, they
- followed him on foot out of the cities.
- 14. And Jesus went forth, and saw a great multitude, and was
- moved with compassion toward them, and he
 - healed their sick.
 - 15. And when it was evening,
- his disciples came to him, saying, This is a desert
- place, and the time is now past;
- send the multitude away.
- that they may go into the villages, and
- buy themselves victuals.
- 16. But Jesus said unto them, They need not depart:
- aive ve
- them to eat.
 - 17. And they say unto him,
- We have here
- but five loaves.
- and two fishes.
 - 18. He said, Bring them hither to me. 19. And he commanded the
- multitude to sit down on the grass, and
- took the five loaves, and

- the two fishes, and looking up to heaven.
- he blessed, and brake, and
- gave the loaves to his
- disciples, and the disciples to the multitude.
- 20. And they did all eat. and were filled: and they took up of

the fragments that remained twelve baskets full.

- 21. And they that had eaten were
- about five thousand men. beside women
- and children.
- 22. And straightway Jesus
- constrained his disciples to get into a ship, and to go before him unto the other side, while he sent the multitudes away.
- 23. And when he had sent the multitudes away, he
- went up into a mountain apart
- to pray: and when the evening was come, he was there
- alone.
- 24. But the ship was
 - now in the midst of the sea. tossed with waves:

for the wind was contrary.

- 25. And in the fourth
- watch of the night
- Jesus went unto them.
- walkina on the sea.
- 26. And when the disciples SOW him walking on the sea.
- they were troubled,
- savina. It is a spirit;
 - and they cried out for fear.
- 27. But straightway Jesus spake
 - unto them, saying, Be of good cheer;
- it is I: be not afraid.
- 28. And Peter answered him and
- said, Lord, if it be thou,
- bid me come unto thee on the water.
- 29. And he said, Come. And
- Peter was come down out of the ship, he
- walked on the water, to go to Jesus.
- 30. But when he saw the

- I wind boisterous.
- he was afraid; and
 - beginning to sink, he cried, saying.
- Lord, save me.
- 31. And immediately Jesus stretched forth *his* hand, and
- caught him, and said
- O thou of little faith,
 wherefore didst thou doubt?
 32. And when they were come into the ship, the wind ceased.
- 33. Then they
- that were in the ship came and
- worshipped him, saying,
 Of a truth
- thou art the Son of God.
- 34. **And** when they were gone over,
- they came into the land of
- Gennesaret.
- 35. **And** when the men of that place had knowledge of him.
- **they** sent out into all that country round about, and
- brought unto him all that were diseased:
- 36. And besought him that they might only touch the hem of
- his garment: and as many as touched
- were made perfectly
- whole.

CHAPTER 15

- 1. **Then came** to Jesus
- scribes and Pharisees, which were of Jerusalem.
- | saying,
- 2. Why do thy disciples transgress the tradition of the elders? for they wash not their hands when they eat bread.
- 3. But he answered and said unto them,
- Why do ye also transgressthe commandment of God
 - by your tradition?
 - 4. For God commanded, saying, Honour thy father and mother: and, He that curseth father or mother, let him die the death.

- 5. But ye say, Whosoever shall say to his father or his mother, It is a gift, by whatsoever thou mightest be profited by me;
- 6. And honour not his father or his mother, he shall be free. Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition.
- 7. Ye hypocrites, well did
 Esaias prophesy of you,
 saying,
 - 8. **This people** draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and
- honoureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me.
 - But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.
- 10. And he called the multitude, and said

unto them, Hear, and understand:

- 11. Not that which goeth into the mouth defileth a man;
 but that which cometh out
 - but that which cometh out of the mouth, this
- of the mouth, this defileth a man.
- 12. Then came his disciples,and said

unto him, Knowest thou that

- the Pharisees were offended.
 - after they heard this saying?
- 13. But he answered and said.
 Every plant, which my
 heavenly
- Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up.
- 14. Let them alone: they be
- blind leaders of the blind.
- And if the blind lead the blind, both shall fall
 - into the ditch.

- 15. Then answered Peter and said unto him, Declare unto us this parable.
- 16. **And Jesus said,** Are ye also yet without understanding?
 - 17. Do not ye yet understand, that whatsoever entereth in at
- the mouth goeth into the belly, and is cast out into
 - the draught?

- 18. But those things which proceed out of the mouth come forth
- from the heart; and they defile the man.
- 19. For out of the heart
- proceed evil thoughts, murders. adulteries, fornications, thefts, false witness, blasphemies;
 - 20. These are the things
- which defile a man:
- but to eat with unwashen
- hands defileth not a man.
 - 21 Then Jesus went hence, and departed
 - into the coasts of
- Tyre and Sidon.
- 22. And, behold, a woman
- of Canaan
 - came out of the same coasts, and
- cried unto him, saving.
- Have mercy on me,
- O Lord, thou son of David;
- my daughter is grievously
- vexed with a devil.
- 23 But he answered her not a word
- And his disciples came and besought him, saying,
- Send her away:

for she crieth after us.

- 24. But he answered and said. I am not sent but unto
 - the lost sheep of the house of
- israel.
- 25. Then came she and worshipped him, saying,
- Lord, help me.
- 26. But he answered and said. It is not meet to take the
- children's bread, and to cast it to doas.
- 27. And she said, Truth, Lord:
- yet the dogs eat of the
- crumbs which fall from their masters' table.
- 28. Then Jesus answered and
- said unto her, O woman,
- great is thy faith: be it unto thee even
- as thou wilt. And her
 - daughter was made whole from that very hour.

- 29. And Jesus
 - departed from thence, and
- came nigh
- unto the sea of
- Galilee: and went up
- into a mountain.
 - and sat down there.
- 30. And great multitudes
- came unto him, having with them those that were lame, blind, dumb, maimed, and many others, and cast them down at Jesus' feet:
- and he healed them:
 - 31. Insomuch that the multitude wondered, when they saw the dumb to speak, the maimed to be whole, the lame to walk, and the blind to see:
- and they glorified the God of Israel.
- 32 Then Jesus called his disciples unto him, and
- said. I have compassion on the multitude, because they continue with me now three days, and
- have nothing to eat: and I will not send them away fastina.

lest they faint in the way.

- 33. And his disciples say unto him. Whence should we have so much bread in the wilderness, as to fill so great a multitude?
- And Jesus saith unto them.
- How many loaves have
- ye? And they said, Seven.
- and a few little
 - fishes.
 - 35 And he commanded the multitude to sit down on the ground.
- 36. And he took the seven
- loaves and the
- fishes, and gave thanks, and brake them.
- and gave to his disciples,
- and the disciples to
- the multitude.
- 37. And they did all eat, and were filled:
- and they took up of the broken meat that was
- left seven baskets full.
 - 38. And they that did eat
- were four thousand men,

- beside women
- and children.
- 39. And he sent away the multitude, and took ship, and
- came into the coasts of
- I∎I Maadala.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. The Phorisees also with the Sadducees came.
- tempting desired
- him that he would
- shew them a sign from heaven.
- 2. He answered and said unto them. When it is evening, ye say, It will be fair weather: for the sky is red. 3. And in the morning, It will be foul weather to-day; for the sky is red and lowenna.
- O ye hypocrites, ye can discern the face of the sky;
- but can ve
- not discern
- the signs of the times?
- 4. A wicked and adulterous
- generation seeketh after a sian; and there shall no
- sign be given unto it,
- but the sign of the prophet Jonas. And he left them,
- and departed. 5. And when his disciples
- were come to the other side.
- they had forgotten to take bread.
- 6. Then Jesus said unto them. Take heed and
- beware of the leaven of the
- Pharisees and of the Sadducees.
- 7. And they reasoned
- among themselves, saying, It is because we
- have taken no bread. 8. Which when Jesus
- perceived, he said unto them, O ye of little faith, why reason ye among yourselves, because ye have
 - brought no bread? 9. Do ye not yet understand, neither remember the five loaves of the five thousand, and how many baskets ye

took up?

- Neither the seven loaves of the four thousand, and how many baskets ve took up?
- 11. How is it that ve do not understand that
- I spake it not to you concerning bread, that ye should beware of the leaven of the Pharisees and of the Sadducees?
- 12 Then understood they how
- that he bade them not beware of the leaven of bread, but
- of the doctrine of the
- Pharisees and of the
- Sadducees.
- 13. When Jesus came into the coasts of
- Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, saying,
 - Whom do men say that I the Son of man
 - am?

- 14. And they said, Some say that thou art
- John the Baptist: some.
 - Elias; and
- others. Jeremias.
 - or one of the prophets. 15. He saith unto them,
- But whom say ye that I am?
 - 16 And Simon
- Peter answered and
- said. Thou art the Christ,
 - the Son of the living God. 17. And Jesus answered
- and said unto him. Blessed art thou.
 - Simon Barjona:
- for flesh and blood
- hath not revealed if unto thee, but my Father
 - which is in heaven.
- 18. And I say also unto thee, That
- thou art Peter, and upon this rock I will build my
- church: and the gates
- of hell shall not
- prevail against it.
- 19. And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom
 - of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt

- bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be ■ loosed in heaven.
 - 20. Then charged he his disciples that they should tell no man that he was Jesus the Christ.
- 21. From that time forth
- | began Jesus to shew unto
- his disciples, how that
- he must go unto Jerusalem, and **suffer** many things of the elders and
 - chief priests and scribes.
- and be killed, and be
 - raised again the third day.
- 22. Then Peter took him, and
- began to rebuke him,
- saying. Be it far from thee, Lord: this shall not be
- unto thee. 23. But he turned, and
- said unto Peter, Get thee behind me. Satan:

thou art an offence unto me; for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but those that be of men.

- 24. Then said Jesus unto his disciples.
- If any man will
- come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his
- CIOSS, and follow me.
- 25. For whosoever will save
- his life shall lose it: and
- whosoever will lose his life for my sake shall find it.
- 26. For what is a man
- profited, if he shall
- gain the whole
- world, and lose his own
- soul? or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
- 27. For the Son of man shall come in the glory of his
- Father with his angels;
- and then he shall reward every man according
- to his works.

28. Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in his kingdom.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James,
- and John

his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart.

- 2. And was transfigured
- before them: and his face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light.
- And, behold, there appeared unto them
- Moses and Elias talking with him.
- 4. Then answered Peter. and said unto Jesus,
- **Lord,** it is good for us to be here: if thou wilt.
- let us make here
- three tabernacles; one
- for thee, and one for
- Moses, and one for
- Elias.
- While he yet spake, behold, a bright
- cloud overshadowed
- them: and behold
- a voice out of the cloud.
- said. This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.
 - 6. And when the disciples heard it. they fell on their face, and were sore afraid.
- 7. And Jesus came and
- touched them, and said,
- Arise, and
- be not afraid.
- 8. And when they had lifted up their eyes,
- they saw no man, save Jesus only.
 - 9. And as they came down from the mountain, Jesus charged them, saying, Tell the vision to no man, until the Son of man be risen again from the
- 10. And his disciples asked him, saving,
- Why then
- say the scribes that Elias
 - must first come?

- 11 And Jesus answered and said unto them. Elias truly shall first come, and restore all things. 12. But I say unto you, That
- Elias is come already. and they knew him not, but have done unto him whatsoever they listed. Likewise shall also the Son of man suffer of them.
- 13. Then the disciples
- understood that
- he spake unto them
- of John the Baptist.
- 14. And when they were come to the multitude.
- there came to him
- Cartain

- man, kneeling down to him, and saying,
- 15. Lord, have mercy on my son: for he is lunatic.

and sore vexed; for offtimes he falleth. into the fire, and oft into the water.

- 16. And I brought him to thy disciples, and they could not cure him.
 - 17. Then Jesus answered and said, O faithless and perverse generation. how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you? bring him hither to me.
- 18. And Jesus rebuked the
- devil: and he departed out of him: and the child was cured
- from that very hour. 19. Then came the disciples to Jesus apart.
- and said. Why could not we cast him out?
- 20. And Jesus said unto them. Because of your unbelief:

for verily I say unto you,

- If ye have faith as a grain of
- mustard seed, ye shall say unto this mountain.
- Remove hence to yonder place;
- and it shall remove: and
- nothing shall be impossible unto you.
- 21. Howbeit this kind goeth not out but
- by prayer and fasting.
 - 22. And while they abode

- in Galilee. Jesus said unto them.
- The Son of man shall be
- befrayed into the hands of men: 23. And they shall kill him,
- and the third day he shall
- be raised again.

And they were exceeding sorry.

- 24. And when they were come to Capernaum, they
- that received tribute *money* came to Peter, and said,
- Doth not your master
- pay tribute?
- 25. He saith, Yes, And when
- he was come into the
- house. Jesus prevented E him, saying, What thinkest
- thou, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth
 - take custom or
- tribute? of their own
 - children, or of
- stranaers?

- 26. **Peter saith** unto him,
- Of strangers. Jesus saith unto him.
- Then are the children free. 27. Notwithstandina. lest we
- should offend them. **QO** thou
- to the sea, and
- cast an hook.
- and take up
- the fish that first cometh up:
- and when thou hast
- opened his mouth, thou
- shalt find a piece of
- money: that
- take, and give unto them for me and thee.

CHAPTER 18

- 1 At the same time came the
- disciples unto Jesus,
- saying, Who is the greatest
 - in the kingdom of heaven?
- 2. And Jesus called a little
- child unto him, and set him in the midst of them.
- And said, Verily I say unto you.
- Except ye be converted.
 - and become as little

- children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. 4 Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as
- this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven

- 5 And whose shall receive one such little
- child in my name receiveth me.
- 6. But whose shall offend
- one of these little ones which believe in me, it were
- better for him that
- a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned

in the depth of the sea.

- 7. Wee unto the world because of
- offences! for it
- must needs be that offences
- come; but woe to that
- man by whom the ■ offence cometh!
- 8. Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut
- them off, and cast them from thee:
- it is better for thee
- to enter into
- life halt or
- maimed, rather than
- having two hands or two feet to be cast into

everlasting fire.

- 9. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out, and cast it from thee; it is better for thee to enter into life with one eye. rather than having two eyes to be cast
- 10. Take heed that ye despise not one of these little ones; for I say unto you, That in heaven their angels do always behold the face of my Father which is in heaven.
- 11. For the Son of man
- is come to save that which was lost.

12. How think ye?

- if a man have an hundred
- sheep, and one of them
- be gone astray.
 - doth he not leave the ninety

and nine.

- and goeth into the mountains.
- and seeketh that which is
- gone astray?
- 13. And if so be that
- he find it. verily I say unto you.
- he rejoiceth more of that sheep. than of the ninety and nine
 - which went not astray.
- 14. Even so it is not the will
- of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones.
 - should perish.
- 15. Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against
- thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone:
- if he shall hear thee.
- thou hast gained thy
- brother.
- 16 But if he will not hear thee then
- take with thee
- one or two more.
 - that in the mouth of two or three
- witnesses every word may be established.
- 17. And if he shall
- neglect to hear them, tell
- the church: but if he neglect
- to hear the church.
- let him be unto thee as
 - an heathen man and a publican.
 - 18. Verily I say unto you,
- Whatsoever ve shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever
- Ve shall
- loose on earth
 - shall be loosed in heaven.
 - 19. Again I say unto you, That
 - if two of you
- shall agree on earth
- as touching any thing that
- they shall

- ask, it shall be done for them of my Father which is in heaven.
- 20. For where two or three
- are gathered together
- in my name, there am l
 - in the midst of them.
 - 21. Then came Peter to him.

and said, Lord. how off shall my brother sin against me.

and I forgive him? till seven times?

22. Jesus saith

unto him. I say not unto thee, Until seven times; but, Until

seventy times seven.

23. Therefore is the kingdom of heaven

likened unto a certain. king, which would take account of

his servants.

24. And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which

owed him ten thousand talents.

> 25. But forasmuch as he had not to pav.

his lord commanded

> him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and

payment to be made.

26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him.

saying, Lord,

have patience with me. and I will pay thee all.

27. Then the lord of that servant was moved with

compassion, and loosed him,

and forgave him the debt.

28 But the same servant went out, and

found one of his fellow-servants, which owed him

an hundred pence:

and he laid hands on him, and

took him by the throat,

saying, Pay me that thou owest.

29. And his fellow-servant fell down

at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience

with me. and I will pay thee all.

30. And he would not: but went and

cast him into prison. till he should pay the debt.

31. So when his fellowservants saw what was done.

they were very sorry, and came and

told unto

their lord all that was done.

32. Then his lord.

after that he had called him

said unto him. O.

thou wicked servant. forgave thee all that debt.

because thou desiredst me:

33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellow-servant. 8

even as I had pity on thee?

34. And his lord was wroth, and

delivered him to the tormentors, till he should

pay all that was due unto him.

35. So likewise shall my heavenly

Father do also uno vou.

if ve from your hearts

forgive not every one his brother their trespasses.

CHAPTER 19

 And it came to pass, that when Jesus had finished these savings. he departed from Galilee, and

came into the coasts of

Judaea beyond Jordan; And great multitudes followed him:

and he healed them there. 3. The Pharisees also came

unto him, tempting him, and

sayina unto him,

Is it lawful for a man to put away his wife for

every cause?

4 And he answered and said unto them

Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female.

5. And

said. For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and

they twain shall be

one flesh?

6. Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh.

What therefore

God hath joined together. let not man put asunder.

7. They say unto him. ■ Why did Moses

then command to

give a writing of

divorcement.

and to put her away?

8. He saith unto them.

Moses because of the

hardness of your hearts suffered you to put away

your wives: but

from the beginning it was not so. 9. And I say unto you.

■ Whosoever shall put away ■ his wife, except it be

for fornication, and shall marry another, committeth

adultery: and whoso marrieth her

which is put away doth commit adultery.

10. His disciples say unto him. If the case of the man be so

with his wife. it is not good to marry.

■ 11. But he said unto them.

■ All *men* cannot receive this saying, save they to whom it is given.

12. For there are some eunuchs. which were so born from their mother's womb; and there are some eunuchs, which were made eunuchs of men: and there be eunuchs, which have made themselves eunuchs for the kingdom of heaven's sake.

He that is able to receive it.

let him receive it.

13. Then were there brought

little children, that he should put his hands on them, and pray:

and the disciples ■ rebuked them.

■ 14. But Jesus said, Suffer ■ little children.

and forbid them not.

■ I to come unto me: for of ■ such is the kingdom

of heaven.

15. And he laid his hands on them.

and departed thence.

And, behold, one came and said unto him.

Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may

have eternal life?

17. And he said unto him

Why callest thou

me good? there is none

good but one, that is,

God: but if thou wilt enter into

life, keep the

commandments. 18. He saith unto him.

Which? Jesus said. Thou

shalt do no murder.

Thou shalt

not commit adultery.

Thou shalt

not steal. Thou shalt

not bear false witness.

19. Honour thy father and thy mother: and. Thou shalt

love thy neighbour

as thyself.

20. The vouna man saith unto him.

All these things

have I kept from my youth up:

what lack I vet?

21. Jesus said unto him. If thou wilt be perfect,

go and sell that thou hast.

and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven:

and come and

follow me.

22. But when the young man

heard that saving.

he went away sorrowful: for he had great

possessions.

23. Then said Jesus unto his disciples. Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven.

24. And again I say unto you.

It is easier for a camel to

go through the eye of a

needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom

25. When his disciples

heard it.

■ | they were exceedingly

amazed, saying, Who then can be saved?

26. But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them. With men this is impossible; but

with God all things are possible.

27. Then answered Peter and said unto him. Behold.

we have forsaken all, and followed thee: what shall we have therefore?

28. And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you. That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory.

Ve also

shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging

the twelve tribes of

Israel.

29. And every one that hath

forsaken houses, or brethren, or

sisters, or

father, or mother, or

wife, or

children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life.

30. But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.

CHAPTER 20

■ 1. For the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder.

■ which went out early in the morning

to hire labourers

into his vineyard. 2. And when he had

agreed with the labourers

■ for a penny a day, he sent them into his vineyard.

3. And he went out

■ about the third hour, and

saw others standing idle in the marketplace.

4. And said unto them:

Go ve also

into the vineyard, and whatsoever is right I will

give you. And they went their way.

5. Again he went out about the sixth and ninth hour, and did likewise.

6 And about the eleventh

hour he went out, and

found others standing idle.

and saith unto them.

Why stand ve here all the day idle?

7. They say unto him, Because no man hath hired us. He saith unto them,

Go ve also

into the vineyard; and whatsoever is right, that shall ve receive.

8. So when even was come.

the lord of the vineyard

saith unto his steward.

Call the labourers, and give them their hire.

beginning from the last unto the first.

9. And when they came that were hired about the eleventh hour, they re-ceived every man a penny. 10. But when the first came,

they supposed that they should have received more; and they likewise re-

ceived every man a penny. And when they had received it. they murmured against the

goodman of the house,

12. Saying, These last have wrought but one hour, and thou hast made them equal unto us, which have borne the burden and heat of the day.

13. But he answered one of them, and said, Friend, I do

thee no wrona: didst not thou agree with me for a penny?

> 14. Take that thine is, and go thy way: I will give unto this last,

even as unto thee

15. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine

■ own? Is thine eye evil.

because I am good?

16. So the last shall be first. and the first last:

for many be called.

but few chosen. 17. And Jesus

going up to Jerusalem

took the twelve disciples

apart in the way.

and said unto them,

18. **Behold, we go** up

to Jerusalem; and the Son of man

shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes,

and they shall condemn him to death.

19. And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock.

and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day

he shall rise again. 20. Then came to him

the mother of Zebedees

children with her sons. worshipping him, and desiring a certain thing of him.

21. And he said unto her, What wilt thou?

■ She saith unto him.

■ Grant that these

my two sons may sit, the ■ one on thy right hand, and the other on the left,

in thy kingdom.

22. But Jesus answered and said. Ye know not what ve ask.

Are ye able to drink of the

cup that I shall drink

of, and to be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?

They say unto him,

We are able.

23. And he saith unto them. Ye shall drink indeed

of my cup, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with:

but to sit on my right hand,

and on my left, is not mine

to give, but it shall be given to them for whom it is prepared of my Father.

24. And when the

ten heard it.

they were moved with indianation

against the two brethren.

25. But Jesus

called them unto him, and

said. Ye know that the princes of the Gentiles exercise dominion over them, and they that are great exercise authority upon them. 26. But it shall not be so

among you: but

whosoever will be great among you, let him be vour minister:

27. And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:

28. Even as the Son of man.

came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to

give his life a ransom for many.

29. And as they departed from Jericho, a great multitude

followed him. 30. And. behold, two blind

men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by,

cried out, saving,

Have mercy on us, O Lord. thou son of David.

31. And the multitude

rebuked them, because they should hold their peace:

but they cried the more, saving, Have mercy on us, O Lord,

thou son of David. 32. And Jesus

stood still, and called them, and

said, What will ye that I shall do unto you?

33. They say unto him, Lord,

that our eyes may

be opened.

34. So Jesus

had compassion on them, and

touched their eyes: and immediately

| ■ | their eyes received sight,

I and they followed him.

CHAPTER 21

- 1. And when they drew nigh unto Jerusalem, and
- were come to Bethphage. unto the mount of Olives.
- then sent Jesus two disciples.
- 2. Saying unto them,
- Go into the village over against you,
- and straightway
- ve shall find an ass tied.
- and a colt
- with her: loose them, and bring them unto me.
 - 3. And if any man say aught unto you, ve shall say. The Lord hath need of them; and straightway he will send them.
- 4. All this was done, that it might be fulfilled which
- was spoken by the prophet, saying,
 - 5. Tell ve the daughter of Sion. Behold.
- thy King cometh
- unto thee, meek, and sitting upon an ass.
- and a colt the foal of an ass.
- 6. And the disciples went, and did as Jesus commanded them.
- 7. And brought the ass. and the colt, and out on them their clothes.
- and they set him thereon.
- 8. And a very great
- multitude spread their
- garments in the way;
- others cut down
- branches from the trees.
- and strawed them
- in the way.
- 9. And the multitudes that went before, and that followed.
- cried, saving.
- Hosanna to the son of David:
 - Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord:
 - Hosanna in the highest.
 - 10. And when he was come into Jerusalem, all the city was moved,

saving. Who is this?

- 11. And the multitude said. This is Jesus the prophet of Nazareth of Galilee
- 12. And Jesus went into the
- temple of God.
 - and cast out all them
 - that sold and bought in the temple.
 - and overthrew the tables
 - of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves.
- And said unto them.
 - It is written, My house shall be called the house of
- prayer; but ye have made it
- a den of thieves.
- 14. And the blind and the **lame came** to him in the temple:
- and he healed them.
- 15. And when the chief
- priests and scribes saw
- the wonderful
- things that
- he did, and the children
- crying in the temple, and saying,
 - **Hosanna** to the son of David:
- they were sore
 - displeased.
- 16. And said unto him.
- Hearest thou
- what these say? And
- Jesus saith unto them.
- Yea; have ye never read, Out of the mouth of babes
 - and sucklings
 - thou hast
- perfected praise?
- 17. And he left them.
- and went out of the city
- into Bethany; and he
- lodged there.

- 18. Now in the morning as he returned into the city,
- he hungered.
- 19. And when he saw a fig
 - free in the way, he came to it,
 - and found nothing thereon, but leaves only.
 - and said unto it.
- Let no fruit grow on thee
 - henceforward for ever.
 - And presently

- I the fig tree withered away. 20. And when the disciples saw it, they
- marvelled, saving. How soon is the fig tree withered away!
- 21. Jesus answered and said unto them. Verily I say unto you.
- If ve have faith, and doubt not. ve shall not only do this which is done to the fig tree, but also if
- ve shall say unto this mountain. Be thou
- removed, and be thou cast into the sea:
- it shall be done.
 - 22. And all things.
- whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer.
- believing, ve shall receive. 23. And when he was come into the temple, the chief
- priests and the elders of the people
- came unto him
- as he was teaching, and said. By what authority doest thou these things?

and who gave thee this authority? 24. And Jesus answered and said unto them.

- I also will ask you one
- thing, which if ye tell me, I in like wise will tell you by what authority I do these things.
- 25. The baptism of John. whence was it? from . heaven, or of men? And ■ they reasoned

with themselves, saving,

- If we shall
- say, From heaven;
- he will say unto us.
- Why did ye not then ■ | believe him?
- 26. But if we shall say, Of men; we fear the people;
- for all hold John as a prophet.
- 27. And they answered Jesus, and said.
- We cannot tell. And he said unto them.
 - Neither tell I you

by what authority I do these things.

- 28. But what think ye? A certain
- man had two sons; and he came to the first, and
- said. Son.
- go work to day in my vinevard.
- 29. He answered and said.
- I will not: but afterward he repented, and
 - went
- 30. And he came to the second, and said likewise.
- And he answered and said.
- I ao. sir: and went not.
- Whether of them twain.
- did the will of his father?
- They say unto him.
- The first. Jesus saith unto them, Verily I say unto you, That
- the publicans and the
- harlots go into the kingdom of God
- before you.
 - 32. For John came unto you in the way of righteousness, and ye believed him not; but the publicans and the harlots believed him: and ve, when ve had seen it, repented not afterward, that ve might believe him.
 - Hear another parable:
- There was a certain
- householder, which planted a vineyard, and
 - hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower.
- and let it out to husbandmen.
 - and went into a far country:
- And when the time of
- the fruit drew near, he sent his
- servants to
 - the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it.
- 35. And the husbandmen took his servants, and
- beat one, and
- killed another.
- and stoned another.
- 36. Again, he sent other
- servants more than the first: and they did unto them
- I∎ likewisé.

■ 1 37 But lost of all

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- he sent unto them
- his son, saying. They will reverence my son.
- 38. But when the
- husbandmen saw the son.
 - they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance.
 - 39. And they caught *him*, and cast *him* out of the vineyard, and
- slew him.
- 40. When the lord therefore
 - of the vineyard cometh,
- what will he do
- unto those husbandmen?
- 41. **They say** unto him,
- He will miserably
- destroy those wicked men and will let out *his* vineyard
 - unto other husbandmen,
 - which shall render him the fruits in their seasons.
- 42. Jesus saith unto them,
- Did ye never read
 - in the scriptures.
- The stone which the
- builders rejected, the same
- is become the head of the
- **CORNET:** this is the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?
- 43. Therefore say I unto you,
- The kingdom of God
- shall be taken from you,
- and given to a nation
- bringing forth the
- fruits thereof.
- 44. And whosoever shall tall on this stone shall be
- **broken:** but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.
 - 45. And when the chief priests and Pharisees had heard his parables,
- they perceived that hespake of them.
 - 46. But when they sought to lay hands on him, they feared the multitude, because they took him for a prophet.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. And Jesus answered and
- **spake** unto them
- again by parables, and said,

- 2. The kingdom of heaven is like unto
- king, which
- made a marriage for his son.
- 3. And sent forth his servants to call ther
 - servants to call them
- bidden to the wedding: and they would not come.
- 4. Again, he sent forth other servants, saying, Tell them which are bidden. Behold.
- I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and my fatlings are killed,
- my oxen and *my* fallings *are* killed, and all things *are* ready:
 - come unto the marriage.

 5. But they made light of it, and went their ways, one to
 - his farm, another to his merchandise:
- 6. And the remnant took his servants,
 - and entreated them spitefully,
- and slew them.
 - 7. **But when the king heard** thereof, he was wroth; and
 - he sent forth

- his armies, and destroyed those murderers,
 - and burned up their city.
- 8. Then saith he to his servants, The wedding is ready, but they which were bidden were not worthy.
- 9. Go ye therefore
- into the highways, and as many as ye shall
- find, bid to the marriage.

 10. So those servants
- 10. So those servants
 went out into the highways, and
 qathered together all
- as many as they found, both bad and good:
- and the wedding was furnished with quests.
- 11. And when the king came in to see the guests,
- he saw there
- a man which had not on a wedding garment:
- 12. And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither
 - not having a wedding

- garment? And he was speechless.
- 13. Then said the kina ■ to the servants.
- Bind him hand and foot, and
- take him away.
- and cast him into outer
- darkness, there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- 14. For many are called, but
- few are chosen.
- 15. Then went the Pharisees.
- and took counsel how they might entangle him in his talk.
- 16. And they sent out unto him their disciples
 - with the Herodians.
- saying, Master.
- we know that thou art true.

and teachest the way of God in truth. neither carest thou for any man: for thou regardest not the person of men.

- 17. **Tell us** therefore. What thinkest thou?
- Is it lawful to give tribute
- unto Caesar, or not?
- 18. But Jesus perceived their wickedness, and
- said, Why tempt ye me. ye hypocrites?
- 19. Shew me the tribute money. And they brought unto him
- a penny.
- 20. And he saith unto them.
- Whose is this image

and superscription?

- 21. They say unto him,
- Caesar's. Then saith he unto them.
- Render therefore
- unto Caesar the things which are Caesar's; and
- unto God the things
- that are God's.
 - 22. When they had heard these words, they marvelled, and left him, and went their way.
- 23. The same day came to him ■ the Sadducees, which say that
- there is no resurrection,

- and asked him
 - 24. Saying, Master,
- Moses said. If a man die.
- having no children, his brother shall marry his
- wife, and raise up seed unto his brother
 - 25. Now there were with us
- seven brethren: and
- the first, when he had married a wife, deceased, and,
- having no issue, left his wife unto his brother:
- 26. Likewise the second also, and the third.
- unto the seventh.
 - 27. And last of all the woman died also.
- 28. Therefore in the
- resurrection whose wife
 - shall she be of the seven? for they all had her.
- 29. Jesus answered and said unto them.
- Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power
 - of God. 30 For in the resurrection
 - they neither marry, nor are given in marriage,
 - but are as the anaels of God in heaven.
 - 31. But as touching the
 - resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which
 - was spoken unto you by God, saying,
 - 32. I am the God of
 - Abraham, and the God of
 - Isaac, and the God of
 - Jacob? God is not
 - the God of the dead, but of the living.
 - 33. And when the multitude heard this, they were astonished at his doctrine.
 - 34 But when the Pharisees
 - had heard that he had put the Sadducees to silence, they were
- gathered together. 35. Then one of them, which was
- a lawyer, asked him a question, tempting him, and saying,
- 36. Master, which is the
 - great commandment

in the law?

37. Jesus said unto him.

■ Thou shalt love the Lord thy

God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.
38. This is the first

and great commandment.

39. **Ånd the second** *is* like unto it.

Thou shalt love thyneighbour as thyself.

40. On these two commandments

■ hang all the law and the prophets.

41. While the Pharisees were gathered together,

■ Jesus asked them.

■ 42. Saying, What think ye of Christ? whose son is he?

■ They say unto him,

■ The son of David.

■ 43. **He saith** unto them.

How then doth David in spirit

call him Lord, saying, 44. The LORD said unto my Lo

44. The LORD said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till I make thine enemies thy footstool?

■ 45. If David then call him Lord, how is he his son?

46. And no man was able to

answer him a word, neither durst any *man* from that day forth ask him any more *questions*.

CHAPTER 23

1. Then spake Jesus to the multitude, and to his disciples,

2 Saying The scribes and the

■ Pharisees sit in

Moses' seat:

3. All therefore

whatsoever they bid youobserve, that observe and do;

■ but do not ye after their

■ Works: for they say, and do not.

4. For they bind heavy

burdens and grievous to be borne,

and lay *them* on men's shoulders: but they

shoulders; but they themselves will not move

them with one of their fingers.

5. But all their works

they do for

to be seen of men: they make broad their phylacteries, and enlarge the borders of their garments,

And love the uppermost rooms at feasts, and the chief seats in the synagogues,

7. And greetings in the markets, and

■ to be called of men,

Rabbi, Rabbi.

■ 8. But be not ye called

■ Rabbi: for

one is your Master, even

Christ; and all ye are brethren.

■ 9. **And call no** *man* your

father upon the earth:

■ for one is

your Father, which

is in heaven.

10. Neither be ye called masters: for one is your Master, even Christ.

11. But he that is greatest among you

■ shall be your servant.

12. And whosoever shall exalt himself shall be abased; and he that shall humble himself shall be exalted.

■ 13. But woe unto you, scribes and

Pharisees, hypocrites!

for ye shut up the kingdom of heaven

against men: for ye neither go in yourselves, neither suffer ye them that are entering to go in.

14. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for

■ ye devour widows houses,

■ and for a pretence

make long prayer:therefore ye shall re

therefore ye shall receive the greater damnation.

15. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for

ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and

when he is made, ye

■ make him twofold

more the child of hell than yourselves.

16. Woe unto you,

which say, Whosoever

shall swear by the temple. it is nothing; but whosoever shall swear by the gold of the temple, he

is a debtor!

17. Ye fools and blind:

for whether is greater, the gold, or the temple that

sanctifieth the gold? 18. And, Whosoever shall

swear by the altar, it is nothing; but whosoever sweareth by the aift that is

upon it, he

is guilty.

19. Ye fools and blind:

for whether is greater, the gift, or the altar that sanctifieth the gift?

20. Whoso therefore shall swear by the altar, sweareth by it, and by all

things thereon.

21. And whoso shall swear by the temple, sweareth by it, and by him that dwelleth therein.

22. And he that shall swear by heaven, sweareth by the throne of God, and by him that sitteth thereon.

23. Woe unto you. scribes and Pharisees.

hypocrites! for ye pay tithe of mint and anise and cummin.

and have omitted

the weightier matters of the law.

judgment, mercy, and faith: these ought ve to have done, and not to leave the other undone.

24. Ye blind guides, which

strain at a gnat, and swallow a camel.

> 25. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for

ye make clean the outside

of the cup and of the platter,

but within they are full of

extortion and excess.

26. Thou blind Pharisee.

cleanse first that which is

within the cup and platter.

■ | that the outside of them ■ may be clean also.

> 27. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for

ye are like unto whited sepulchres.

which indeed appear beautiful outward, but are within

full of dead men's bones. and of all uncleanness.

28. Even so ve also outwardly appear righteous unto men, but within

ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

29. Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because

ve build the tombs of the

prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous.

30. And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers.

we would not have been

partakers with them

in the blood of the prophets.

> 31. Wherefore ye be witnesses unto vourselves, that

ve are the children of them which killed the prophets.

32. Fill ye up then the measure of your fathers.

33. Ye serpents. ye generation of vipers,

how can ye escape

the damnation of

hell?

34. Wherefore, behold, I send unto you prophets, and wise men, and scribes:

and *some* of them ye shall kill and crucify:

and some of them shall ve

scourge in your synagogues,

and persecute them from city to city:

35. **That upon you may**

come all the righteous blood shed upon the earth,

from the blood of righteous Abel unto the blood of Zacharias son of Barachias, whom ye slew between the temple and the altar.

36. Verily I say unto you,

All these things shall come

upon this generation. 37. O Jerusalem, Jerusalem,

thou that killest the

- prophets, and stonest them which are sent unto thee.
- how often would I have ■ gathered thy children

together, even

- as a hen gathereth her
- chickens under her wings. and ye would not!
 - 38. Behold, your house is left unto vou desolate.
 - 39. For I say unto you. Ye shall not see me henceforth, till ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

CHAPTER 24

- I 1. And Jesus went out, and
- departed from the temple:
- and his disciples came to him for to
- shew him the buildings of the temple.
- 2 And Jesus said unto them See ye not all these things? verily I sav unto vou.
- There shall not be left here one stone upon another.
- that shall not be thrown down. 3 And as he sat
- upon the mount of Olives. the disciples came
- unto him privately,
- saying, Tell us.
- when shall these things be?
- and what shall be
- the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?
- 4. And Jesus answered
- and said unto them.
- Take heed that no man deceive you.
- 5. For many shall come in my name.
- saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.
- 6. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye
- be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but
- the end is not yet.
- 7. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom:

- and there shall be famines. and
- pestilences, and
- earthquakes, in divers places.
 - 8. All these are the
- beginning of sorrows. 9. Then shall they deliver you up
 - to be afflicted, and shall
- kill vou: and ve shall be hated of all nations
- for my name's sake.
- 10. And then shall many
 - be offended, and shall
 - betray one another. and shall hate one another.
- 11. And many false prophets shall rise, and
- shall deceive many.
 - 12. And because iniquity shall abound
- the love of many shall wax cold.
 - 13. But he that shall endure unto the end, the same
 - shall be saved.
 - 14. And this gospel of the kingdom
- shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations:
- and then shall the end come.
- 15. When ye therefore shall see the abomination of
 - desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place. (whose readeth, let him understand:)
- 16. Then let them which be in Judaea. flee into the mountains:
 - 17. Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:
 - 18. Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.
 - 19. And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those davs!
 - 20. But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath
- 21. For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no,

nor ever shall be.

22. And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved:

but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

23. Then if any man shall **SQY** unto you,

Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24. For there shall arise false Christs.

and false prophets.

and shall

shew great

signs and wonders:

insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall

deceive the very elect.

25. Behold, I have told you before.

26. Wherefore if they shall SQV unto you.

Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth; behold.

he is in the secret chambers:

believe it not.

27. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west:

so shall also the coming of the Son of man

be.

28. For wheresoever the carcase is. there will the eagles be gathered together.

29. Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of

the heavens shall be shaken: 30. And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven; and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and

they shall see the Son of ■ man comina

in the clouds of heaven

with power and great glory.

31. And he shall send his

angels with a great sound of a trumpet.

and they shall aather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

32. Now learn a parable

of the fig tree; When his

branch is vet

tender, and putteth

forth leaves.

ve know that summer is nigh:

33. So likewise ve.

when ye shall see all these

things, know that it is near. even at the doors.

34. Verily I say unto you.

This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

35. Heaven and earth shall

DOSS away.

but my words shall not

DOSS away.

36. But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven.

but my Father only.

37. But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the

coming of the Son of man be.

38. For as in the days that were

before the flood they were eating and drinking,

marrying and giving in marriage,

until the day that

Noe entered into the ark.

And knew not until the flood came, and

took them all away:

so shall also the coming

of the Son of man

be.

40. Then shall two be in the field: the one shall be taken, and the other left.

41. Two women shall be grinding at the mill: the one shall be taken, and the

other left. 42. Watch therefore: for

ye know not what hour your

Lord doth come.

43. But know this, that if the goodman

of the house had known in what watch. the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

44. Therefore be ye also ready:

- for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man
- cometh
 - 45. Who then is a faithful and wise. servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?
- 46. Blessed is that servant. whom his lord when he
- cometh shall find so
- doina.
 - 47. Verily I say unto you, That
- he shall make him ruler over all his goods.
- 48. But and if
- that evil servant shall say in his heart.
- My lord delayeth his coming;
 - 49. And shall begin to smite his fellow servants, and to eat and drink with the drunken:
- 50 The lord of that servant
- shall come in a day
- when he looketh not for
- him. and in an hour that he is not aware of
- 51. And shall cut him
- asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites:
- there shall be weeping and
- gnashing of teeth.

CHAPTER 25

- 1. Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto
- ten virgins, which
- took their
- lamps, and went forth
- to meet the bridegroom.
- 2. And five of them
- were wise, and five were foolish.
- 3. They that were toolish
- took their lamps, and took
- no oil with them:
- 4. But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

- 5. While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.
- 6. And at midnight there was **Q CIV** made.
- Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. .
 - 7. Then all those virgins arose and
- trimmed their
- lamps.
- 8. And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.
- But the wise answered,
 - Not so: lest there be not enough for us and you:
- but go ve rather to them that sell. and buy for yourselves.
- 10. And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came:
- and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage:
- and the door was shut.
- 11. Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord.
- open to us.
- 12. But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you,
- I know you not.
- 13. Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor
 - the hour wherein
- the Son of man cometh.
 - 14. For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who
- called his own servants.
- and delivered unto them his goods. 15. And unto one he gave
- five talents, to another two. and to another one; to every
 - man according to his several ability; and straightway
- took his journey.
- 16. Then he that had
 - received the five talents went and traded with the same, and
 - made them other

- five talents.
- 17. And likewise he that had received two, he also
- gained other two.

- 18. But he that had received one went and
- digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.
 - 19. After a long
- time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them.
 - 20 And so he that had received five talents

came and

brought other five talents. saving. Lord, thou deliveredst unto

me five talents: behold. I have gained beside them

■ I five talents more.

21. His lord said unto him. Well done.

thou good and faithful servant:

thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things:

enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

22. He also that had

received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold,

I have gained two other

■ talents beside them.

23. His lord said unto him.

Well done, good and

faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord.

24. Then he which had ■ received the one talent

came and said, Lord,

I knew thee that

thou art an

hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed:

25. And I was afraid, and went and

hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine.

26. His lord answered

and said unto him

Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

27. Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming

I should have received mine own with

usury.

28. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. 29. For unto every one that hath shall be given,

and he shall have abundance:

but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath.

30. And cast ve the unprofitable servant into

outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

31. When the Son of man shall come in his glory.

and all the holy angels with him. then shall he

sit upon the throne of his glory:

32. And before him shall be gathered all nations: and he shall separate them

one from another.

QS a shepherd divideth his

sheep from the goats: 33. And he shall set the

sheep on his right hand, but the goats on the left.

34. Then shall the King say unto them on his right hand,

Come, ye blessed of my Father,

inherit the kingdom

prepared for you from the foundation of the world:

35. For I was an hungered, and ye gave me meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me drink:

I was a stranger, and ye took me in: 36. Naked, and ve clothed me: I was sick, and ye visited me: I was in

prison, and ve came unto me.

37. Then shall the righteous answer him, saying, Lord,

when saw we thee an hungred. and fed thee? or thirsty. and gave thee drink?

38. When saw we thee a stranger, and took thee in? or naked. and clothed thee?

39. Or when saw we thee sick, or in prison, and came unto thee?

40. And the King shall

answer and say unto them, Verily I sav unto vou.

inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ve have done it unto me.

41. Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand. Depart from me, ye cursed,

into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels:

42. For I was an hungered. and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink:

> 43. I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ve visited me not.

44. Then shall they also answer him, saving. Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?

45. Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, Inasmuch as ve did it not to one of the least of these, ye did it not to me.

46. And these shall go away into everlastina

punishment: but the righteous into life eternal.

CHAPTER 26

1. And it came to pass.

when Jesus had finished all these savings.

■ I he said unto his disciples,

2. Ye know that

after two days is the feast of the passover, and

the Son of man

is betrayed to be crucified. 3. Then assembled together

the chief priests, and the

scribes, and the

elders of the people.

unto the palace of

the high priest, who was called

Caiaphas,

4. And consulted that they might take Jesus by subtility. and kill *him.*

> 5. But they said, Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar among the people.

6. Now when Jesus was in Bethany.

in the house of Simon the leper.

7. There came unto him a woman havina

an alabaster box of very precious ointment, and poured it on

his head, as he sat at meat.

8. But when his disciples saw it.

they had indignation,

saving. To what purpose is this waste? 9. For this ointment might

have been sold for much. and given to the poor.

10. When Jesus

understood it.

he said unto them. Why trouble ye the woman? for

she hath wrought a good work upon me.

11. For ye have the poor always with you; but me ye have not always. 12. For in that

she hath poured this ointment on my body.

she did it

for my burial.

13. Verily I say unto you,

Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached

in the whole world.

there shall also this, that this woman hath done, be told for a memorial of her.

14. **Then** one of the twelve, called

Judas Iscariot.

went unto the chief priests.

- | 15. And said unto them,
- What will ye give me,■ and I will deliver him
- unto you?

 And they covenanted
 with him for
- thirty pieces of silver.
 - 16. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him.
 - 17. Now the first day of the feast of unleavened bread
 - the disciples came to
- Jesus, saying unto him,
- Where will thou that we
- prepare for thee to eat
- the passover?
- 18. And he said, Go into the
- city to such
- a man, and say unto him,
- The Master saith,

My time is at hand;

- I will keep the passover at thy house with my disciples.
 - And the disciples did as Jesus had appointed them; and they made ready the passover.
- 20. Now when the even was come,
- he sat down with the twelve.
- 21. **And** as they did eat.
- he said, Verily I say unto you, that one of you shall betray me.
- one of you shall befray me.
 22. And they were exceeding
 sorrowful, and began
- every one of them
- to say unto him,
 Lord, is it !?
- 23. And he answered and said,
- He that dippeth his hand
- with me in the dish,
- the same shall betray me.
 - 24. The Son of man goeth as it is written of him: but woe unto that man by whom the Son of man is betrayed! it had been good for that man if he had not been born.
- 25. **Then Judgs,** which betrayed him, answered and
- **said**, Master,
- is it !? He said unto him,
- Thou hast said.
 - 26. And as they were eating,
 Jesus took bread, and

- | blessed it,
- and brake it. and
- gave it to the disciples, and said, Take, eat:
- this is my body.
- 27. And he took the cup, and
- gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, Drink ye all of
- **■** | it:
- 28. For this is my blood
 - of the new testament, which is
- shed for many for
- the remission of sins.
 - 29. But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.
- an hymn
- they went out
 - into the mount of Olives.
- 31. Then saith Jesus unto them,
- All ye shall be offended because of me this night:
- for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad.
- 32. But after I am risen
- again, I will go before you
 into Galilee.
- 33. Peter answered and said unto him.
- Though all men shall
- be offended because of thee,
- yet will I never be offended.
- 34. Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this night,
- before the cock crow, thoushalt deny me thrice.
 - 35. Peter said unto him, Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee. Likewise also said all the disciples.
- 36. Then cometh Jesus with
- them unto a place called Gethsemane, and saith
 - unto the disciples,
- Sit ye here,
- | while I go and pray yonder.
- 37. And he took with him
- Peter and the two sons of
 - Zebedee, and began to be sorrowful and very heavy.

38 Then saith he unto them. Mv soul is exceeding

sorrowful, even unto death:

tarry ve here.

and watch with me.

39. And he went a little farther, and fell on his face,

and prayed, saving, O my

Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me:

nevertheless not as I will. but as thou wilt.

40 And he cometh

unto the disciples.

and findeth them asleep. and saith unto Peter, What,

could ve not watch with me one hour?

> 41. Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation:

the spirit indeed

is willing, but the flesh is weak.

42. He went away again

the second time, and

prayed, saying, O my Father, if this cup may not pass

away from me. except I drink it.

thy will be done.

43. And he came and

found them asleep again:

for their eyes were heavy.

44. And he left them, and went away again, and

prayed the third time, saying

the same words.

45. Then cometh he to his disciples, and saith

unto them.

Sleep on now, and take your rest: behold, the hour is at hand, and the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

46. Rise, let us be going: behold, he is at hand that doth betray me.

■ 47. And while he

■ vet spake. lo.

■ Judas, one of the twelve.

came, and

with him a great multitude with swords and staves,

from the chief priests

and elders of the people.

48. Now he that betrayed him. gave them a sign, saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss,

that same

is he: hold him fast.

49. And forthwith he came to Jesus, and said, Hail, master; and

kissed him.

50. And Jesus said unto him. Friend. wherefore art thou come?

Then came

they, and

laid hands on Jesus and

took him.

51. And. behold. one

of them which were with Jesus

stretched out his hand, and

drew his sword, and struck a servant of the high priest's, and smote

off his ear.

52. **Then said Jesus** unto him.

Put up again thy sword into his place:

for all

they that take the sword

shall perish with the sword. 53. **Thinkest thou that I**

cannot now pray to my Father, and he shall presently

give me more than

twelve legions of angels?

54. But how then shall the scriptures be fulfilled, that

thus it must be?

55. In that same hour said Jesus to the multitudes. Are ve come out as against a thief with swords and staves for to take me? I sat daily with you teaching in the temple, and ye laid no hold on me

56. But all this was done, that the scriptures of the prophets might be fulfilled.

Then all the disciples

forsook him, and

fled.

57. And they

that had laid hold on Jesus

led him away

to Caiaphas the high

- priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. 58 But Peter followed him
- afar off unto the high priest's palace, and went in.
- and sat with the servants. to see the end
- 59. Now the chief priests, and elders, and all
- the council, sought false witness against Jesus, to put him to death:
- 60. But found none: vea, though many false witnesses came, yet found they none.
- At the last came two false witnesses.
- 61. And said. This fellow said, I am able to destroy the temple of God.
- and to
- build it in three days.
- 62. And the high priest arose, and
- said unto him. Answerest
- thou nothing? what is it which these witness against thee?
- 63. But Jesus held his peace. And the high priest answered and
- said unto him. I adjure thee by the living God, that thou
- tell us whether thou be the
- Christ, the Son of God.
- 64. Jesus saith unto him, Thou hast said: nevertheless I say unto you,
- Hereafter shall ye see the
- Son of man sitting on the right hand of
- power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.
- 65. Then the high priest rent his clothes, saying, He hath
- spoken blasphemy; what further need have we of

witnesses? behold, now ye have heard his blasphemy.

- 66. What think ye? They answered and
- said, He is guilty of death.
- 67. Then did
- |■| they spit in his face, and

- buffeted him: and others smote him
- with the palms of their hands,
- 68. Saying, Prophesy unto
- us. thou Christ, Who is he that smote thee?
- 69. Now Peter sat without in the palace:
- and a damsel came unto him. saying, Thou also
- wast with Jesus of Galilee.
 - 70. But he denied before them all saving. I know not what thou savest.
- 71. **And** when he was gone out into
- the porch. another *maid* saw him, and
- said unto them that were there.
- This fellow was also
- with Jesus of Nazareth.
- 72. And again he denied with an oath. I do not know the man.
- 73. And after a while came unto him
- they that stood by, and
- said to Peter.
- Surely thou also
- art one of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee.
 - 74. **Then began he to**
- curse and to
- swear, sayina, I know not
- the man. And immediately
- the cock crew.
- 75. And Peter remembered
 - the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.
- And he went out,
- l∎l and wept bitterly.

CHAPTER 27

- 1. When the morning was come, all
- the chief priests and elders of the people
- took counsel against
- **Jesus** to put him to death:
- And when they had bound him,
- they led him away, and
- delivered him to Pontius
- Pilate the governor.
 - 3. Then Judas, which had betraved him, when he saw that he was condemned,
- repented himself,

- and brought again
- the thirty pieces of
 - silver to the chief priests and elders.
- 4. Saying, I have sinned in that I have
- betrayed the innocent blood. And they said, What
- is that to us? see thou to that.
 - 5 And he cast down the pieces of
 - silver in the temple, and departed,
- and went and
- hanged himself.
- 6. And the chief priests took
- the silver pieces, and said. It is not lawful for to put them into the treasury, because it is the price of blood.
 - 7. And they took counsel,
- and bought with them
- the potter's
- field, to bury strangers in.
 - 8. Wherefore that field was
- called. The field of blood. unto this day.
- 9 Then was fulfilled that which was spoken by
- **Jeremy** the prophet, saying, And they took the thirty pieces of silver, the price of him that was valued. whom they of the children of Israel did value:
 - 10. And gave them for the potter's field, as the Lord appointed me.
- 11 And Jesus stood before
- the governor: and the
- governor asked him, saying, Art thou the King of the
- Jews? And Jesus said
- unto him.
- Thou sayest.
- 12. And when he
- was accused

of the chief priests and elders.

- he answered nothing.
 - 13. Then said Pilate unto him, Hearest thou not how many things they witness against thee?
- 14. And he answered him to never a word: insomuch that
- the governor marvelled greatly.

- 15 Now at that feast the governor was wont to release unto the people
- a prisoner, whom they would.
 - 16. And they had then a notable prisoner, called Barabbas.
 - 17. Therefore when they were gathered together,
- Pilate said unto them,
- Whom will ye that
- I release unto you?
 - Barabbas, or Jesus
 - which is called Christ?
 - 18. For he knew that for envy they had delivered him.
 - 19. When he was set down on the iudoment seat.
- his wife sent unto him. saying, Have thou
- nothing to do with that just
 - man: for
- I have suffered
 - many things this day
- in a dream because of him.
 - 20. But the chief priests and elders
- persuaded the multitude that they should ask Barabbas, and
- destroy Jesus.
 - 21. The governor answered and said unto them. Whether of the twain will ye that I release unto you?
 - They said, Barabbas.
- 22. Pilate saith unto them.
- What shall I do then with
- Jesus which is called Christ?
- They all say unto him, Let him be crucified.
- 23. And the governor said,
- Why, what evil hath he
- done? But they cried
 - out the
- more, saying, Let him
- be crucified.
- 24. When Pilate saw that he could prevail nothing, but
- that rather a tumult was made.
- he took water, and
- washed his hands before the multitude.
 - saying, I am innocent of the blood of this just person:

see ve to it.

25. **Then** answered all

■ the people, and

said, His blood *be* on us,

■ and on

our children.

26. Then released he Barabbas unto them:

and when he had scourged

Jesus, he delivered him to

■ be crucified.

■ 27. Then the soldiers

of the governor

took Jesus into the common hall, and gathered unto him the whole band of soldiers.

28. And they stripped him, and put on him a

scarlet robe.

■ 29. **And** when they had platted

a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head,

and a reed in his right hand:

■ and they

bowed the knee before him.

and mocked him.

saying, Hail, King
of the Jews!

30. And they spit upon him, and took the reed.

and smote him on the head.

31. And after that

they had mocked him,

they took the robe off from him, and

put his own raiment on him,

and led him away to crucify *him.*

32. **And** as they came out, they found

a man of Cyrene, Simon by name: him

they compelled to bear his cross.

■ 33. And when they were

■ come unto a place called

Golgotha, that is to say, a place of a skull,

34. They gave him vinegar to drink mingled

■ with gall: and

when he had tasted thereof,

he would not drink.

■ 35. And they crucified him,

and parted his garments,
casting lots: that it might be

fulfilled which was

spoken by the prophet,

They parted my garments among them, and upon my vesture did they cast lots.

And sitting down they watched him there;

■ 37. And set up over his head his accusation written, THIS

IS JESUS THE KING

OF THE JEWS.

38. Then were there two

thieves crucified with him, one on the right hand, and another on the left.

39. And they that passed by reviled him, wagging their heads,

40. And saying, Thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days, save thyself.

If thou be the Son of God,

come down from the cross.

priests mocking

him, with the scribes and elders,

42. He saved others; himself he cannot save.

If he be the King of Israel, let him now come down from the cross

I and we will believe him.

43. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now, if he will have him: for he said, I am the Son of God.

44. The thieves also, which were crucified with him, cast the same in his teeth.

45. Now from the sixth hour there was darkness over all the land unto the ninth hour.

46. And about the ninth hour

Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eli, Eli, lama sabachthani? that is to say,

My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?

47. Some of them that stood there, when they heard *that*, said, This *man* calleth for Elias.

■ 48. And straightway one

of them ran, and

took a sponge, and

filled it

with vinegar, and put it on a reed, and

gave him to drink.

49. The rest said. Let be.

let us see whether Elias will come to

save him.

50. Jesus, when he had

cried again

with a loud voice, vielded

up the ghost.

51. And, behold, the veil of the temple was rent

in twain from the top to the bottom;

and the earth did quake. and the rocks rent:

52. And the graves were opened; and

many bodies of the saints which slept

arose.

53. And came out of the

graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city.

and appeared unto many.

54. Now when the centurion.

and they that were

with him, watching Jesus,

SOW the earthquake, and

those things that were done.

they feared greatly.

saying, Truly this was the

Son of God.

55. And many women were there beholding afar off, which

followed Jesus from Galilee.

ministering unto him:

56. Among which was Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James and Joses, and the mother of Zebedees children

57. When the even was come, there came

a rich man of Arimathaea.

named Joseph, who also himself was Jesus' disciple:

58. He went to Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.

> Then Pilate commanded the body to be delivered.

59. And when Joseph had taken the body, he wrapped it in a clean

linen cloth.

60. And laid it in his own new

tomb, which he had hewn out in the rock:

and he rolled a great stone to the door of the

sepulchre, and departed.

61. And there was Mary Magdalene, and the other Mary, sitting over

against the sepulchre. 62. Now the next day, that followed the day of the preparation,

the chief priests and

Pharisees came together

unto Pilate.

63. Saying, Sir, we remem-ber that that deceiver said,

while he was yet alive.

After three days I will rise again.

64. Command therefore that

the sepulchre be made 8 SUP until the third day.

lest his disciples

come by night, and

steal him away, and say unto the people. He is risen from the dead: so the last error shall be worse. than the first.

65. Pilate said unto them,

Ye have a watch: go your way, make it as sure as ye can.

66. So they went,

and made the sepulchre sure.

sealing the stone, and

setting a watch.

CHAPTER 28

1. In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward

the first day of the week,

came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see

the sepulchre.

2. And, behold, there was a

great earthquake: for the

angel of the Lord

descended

from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it.

- His countenance was like lightning. and his raiment white as snow:
- 4 And for fear of him.
- the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.
- 5. And the angel answered and said unto the women. Fear
- not ve: for I know that

ye seek Jesus.

which was crucified.

- 6. He is not here: for he is
- risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.
- 7. And go quickly, and tell his disciples
 - that he is risen from the dead:
- and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee:

there shall ve see him: lo. I have told you.

- 8. And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy: and
- did run to bring his disciples word.
- 9. And as they went to tell his disciples, behold,
- Jesus met them, saying, All hail. And they
- came and held him by the feet, and worshipped him.
 - 10. Then said Jesus unto them, Be not afraid: go tell my brethren that they go into Galilee, and there shall they see me.
- 11. Now when they were going, behold,
- some of the watch came into the city.
- and shewed unto
- I the chief priests all

- the things that were done.
- 12. And when they were assembled with
- the elders, and had taken
 - counsel, they
- gave large
- money unto the soldiers.
- 13. Saying, Say ye, His
- disciples came by night, and stole him away
- while we slept.
- And if this come to the governor's ears, we will persuade him, and secure you.
- 15. So they took the money, and did as they were taught:
 - and this saving is commonly reported among the Jews until this day.
- 16. **Then the eleven** disciples went away into Galilee,
 - into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.
 - 17. And when they saw him, they worshipped him; but some doubted.
- 18. And Jesus came and spake unto them.
- saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.
- Go ye therefore.
- and teach all nations.
- baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:
- 20. Teaching them to
- observe all things
- whatsoever I have commanded vou:
- and, lo, I am with
- you alway, even
- unto the end
 - of the world.
- Amen.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

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- I. Christ's Early Ministry,
 Baptism and Temptation,
 Including Healings,
 Conflicts with Pharisees
 and Early Travels.
 Chapters 1—8
- II. Christ's Predictions of his Death, Doctrine of Discipleship and Transfiguration. Chapters 9—10
- III. Christ's Entry into Jerusalem and Crucifixion. Chapters 11—15
- IV. Christ's Resurrection and Appearances to His Disciples. Chapter 16

CHAPTER 1

■ 1 1. The beginning of the gospel of Jesus Christ. the Son of God:

2. As it is written

in the prophets, Behold, I send

my messenger before thy face, which

shall prepare thy way before thee.

3. The voice of one crying in the wilderness. Prepare ve the way of the Lord.

make his paths straight.

4. John did baptize

in the wilderness.

and preach the baptism of

repentance for the remission of sins.

5. And there went out unto him.

all the land of

Judaea, and they of

Jerusalem, and were all

baptized of him in the river of Jordan.

confessing their sins.

6. And John was clothed

with camel's hair, and with a girdle of a skin about his loins; and he did eat locusts and wild honey:

7. And preached, saying, There cometh one mightier than I after me, the latchet of

whose shoes I am not

worthy to

stoop down and

unloose.

8. I indeed have baptized you with water: but

he shall baptize you with the Holy Ghost.

9. And it came to pass in those days, that

Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee, and

was baptized of John in Jordan.

10. And straightway coming ■ up out of the water, he saw the heavens opened, and

■ the Spirit like a dove

descending upon him:

11. And there came a voice

from heaven.

saying, Thou art my beloved Son.

in whom I am well pleased. 12. And immediately the

spirit driveth him into the wilderness.

13. And he was there in

the wilderness forty days, tempted of Satan:

and was with the wild beasts;

and the angels ministered

unto him.

14 Now after that John was put in prison, Jesus came

into Galilee. preaching the gospel

of the kingdom of God,

15. And saying, The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of

God is at hand:

repent ye, and believe

the gospel.

16. Now as he walked by the sea of

Galilee, he saw

Simon and Andrew his brother casting a net into the sea: for they

were fishers.

17. And Jesus said unto them,

Come ye after me,

and I will make you to become

fishers of men.

18. And straightway they forsook their nets, and

followed him.

19. And when he had gone a little farther thence.

he saw James

the son of Zebedee.

and John his brother, who also

were in the ship

mending their nets.

20. And straightway he

called them: and they left

their father Zebedee in

the ship with the hired servants,

and went after him.

21. And they went into

Capernau m; and straightway

on the sabbath day he

entered into the

synagogue, and taught.

22. And they were astonished at his

doctrine: for he taught them as one that had authority. and not as the scribes. 23. And there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirif: and he cried out, 24. Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee. thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God. 25. And Jesus rebuked him. saying, Hold thy peace, and come out of him. 26. And when the unclean spirit had torn him, and cried with a loud voice. he came out of him. 27. And they were all amazed, insomuch that they questioned among themselves. saying, What thing is this? what new doctrine is this? for with authority commandeth he even the unclean spirits. and they do obey him. 28. And immediately his fame spread abroad throughout all the region

round about Galilee.

29. And forthwith, when they were come out of the synagogue.

they entered into the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John.

30 But Simon's wife's

mother lay sick of a fever, and anon they tell him of her.

31. And he came and took her by the hand, and

lifted her up: and immediately the fever left her, and she

ministered unto them. 32. And at even.

when the sun did set.

■ I they brought unto him

all that were diseased, and them that were

possessed with devils.

33. And all the city was gathered

together at the door.

34. And he healed many that were sick of divers diseases, and cast out many devils; and suffered not the devils to speak, because they knew him

35. And in the morning. rising up a great while

before day, he went out, and departed

into a solitary place, and there prayed.

36. And Simon and they that were with him followed after him

37. And when they had found him, they said unto him,

All men seek for thee. 38. And he said unto them.

Let us go into the next towns.

that I may preach there also: for therefore came I forth.

39. And he preached in their synagogues

throughout all Galilee. and cast out devils.

40. And there came a leper to him, beseeching him, and kneeling down to him, and

savina unto him. If thou wilt. thou canst make me clean.

41. And Jesus, moved with compassion, out forth his hand, and touched him, and saith unto him. I will:

be thou clean.

42. And as soon as he had spoken, immediately the leprosy

departed from him, and

he was cleansed.

43. And he straitly charged him. and forthwith

sent him away:

44. And saith unto him, See thou say nothing to any man:

but go thy way, shew thyself

to the priest, and offer

for thy cleansing

those things which Moses commanded, for a

testimony unto them.

45. But he went out, and

began to publish it much, and

- I to blaze abroad the matter. ■ insomuch that Jesus could ■ no more openly enter into ■ the city, but
- was without in desert places; and ■ they came to him from every quarter.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 1. And again he entered into Capernaum after some days: and it was noised that he was in the house.
- 2. And straightway many were gathered

together, insomuch that there was no room to receive them, no, not so much as about the door:

- and he preached the word unto them.
- And they come unto him.
- bringing one sick of the
 - palsy, which was borne of four. 4. And when
- they could not come
- nigh unto him

for the press.

- they uncovered the roof where he was:
- and when they had broken it up, they
- let down the bed wherein the sick of the palsy lay.
- 5. When Jesus saw their faith, he said

unto the sick of the palsy,

Son, thy sins be ■ forgiven thee.

- 6. But there was certain of
- the scribes sitting there, and reasoning in their hearts,
 - 7. Why doth this man thus speak blasphemies?
- who can forgive sins but God only?
 - 8. And immediately
- when Jesus perceived in his spirit
- that they so reasoned within themselves.
- he said unto them, Why reason ye these things in your hearts?
 - 9. Whether is it easier to say

to the sick of the palsy.

- Thy sins be forgiven thee: or to sav.
- Arise, and take up thy bed. and walk?
- 10. But that ve may know
- that the Son of man
- hath power on earth
- to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy.)
- 11. I say unto thee,
 - Arise, and take up thy bed, and go thy way into thine house.
- 12. And immediately he arose, took up the bed,
- and went forth before them all: insomuch that
- they were all amazed, and alorified God, saving. We never saw it on this fashion.
 - 13. And he went forth again by the sea side; and all the multitude resorted unto him, and he taught them.
- 14. And as he passed by.
- he saw Levi the son of Alphaeus sitting at the receipt of
- custom, and said unto him.
- Follow me. And he arose and followed him.
 - 15. And it came to pass, that,
- as Jesus sat at meat in his house, many

- publicans and sinners sat also together
- with Jesus and his disciples: for there were many, and they followed him.
- 16. And when the scribes and Pharisees saw him eat with publicans and sinners,
 - they said unto his disciples,
 - How is it that
- he eateth and drinketh with publicans and sinners?
- 17. When Jesus heard it,
- he saith unto them, They that are whole have no need of the physician, but they that are sick:
- I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.
 - 18. And the disciples of John and of the Pharisees used to fast: and

- | they come and
- say unto him, Why do the disciples of John and of the Pharisees fast. but
- thy disciples fast not?
- 19. And Jesus said unto them, Can the children of the bridechamber fast, while the bridegroom is with them?
- as long as they have the bridegroom with them,
 - they cannot fast.
- 20. But the days will come,
 - when the bridegroom shall
- be taken away from them, and then shall they fast
 - in those days.
- 21. No man also seweth a piece of
- new cloth on an old garment: else
- **The new** piece that filled it up
- taketh away from the old, and the rent is made worse.
- 22. And no man putteth new wine into old bottles: else
- the new wine doth burst the bottles, and the wine is spilled, and the bottles will be marred:
- but new wine must be put into new bottles.
- 23. **And** it came to pass, that
- he went through the corn
- fields on the sabbath day; and his disciples began, as they went.
- to pluck the ears of corn.
- 24. And the Pharisees said unto him, Behold,
- why do they on the sabbath day that which is not lawful?
- 25. **And he said** unto them,
- Have ye never read what David did, when he
 - David did, when he had need, and was an
- hungered, he, and they that were with him?
- 26. How he went into the house of God in the days of
- Abiathar the high priest,
- and did eat the
 - shewbread, which is not

- I Cowful to eat but for the priests, and gave also to them which were with him?
 - 27. And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath:
 28. Therefore
- the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. And he entered again into the synagogue; and
- there was a man there
- which had a
- withered hand.
- 2. And they watched him,
- whether he would heal him on the sabbath day;
 - that they might accuse him.
- 3. And he saith unto the man which had the withered hand,
 Stand forth.
 - 4. And he saith unto them,
- Is it lawful to do good on

 the sabbath days, or to do

 evil? to save life or to kill? But the
 - **evil?** to save life, or to kill? But they held their peace.
- 5. **And** when he had looked round about on them
- with anger, being grieved
 for the hardness of their
 hearts, he saith unto the
- man, Stretch forth thine hand. And he stretched it out:
- and his hand was restored whole as the other.
 - 6. And the Pharisees
- went forth, and straightway took counsel
- with the Herodians against him,
- how they might destroy him.
- 7. But Jesus withdrew
 - himself with his disciples
 - to the sea:

- **and** a great multitude from Galilee followed him, and from Judaea, 8. And from Jerusalem, and from
- Idumaea, and from beyond Jordan; and they about Tyre and Sidon, a great multitude,
- when they had heard what

- areat things he did, came unto him.
- 9. And he spake to his
- disciples, that a small ship should wait on him

because of the multitude.

- lest they should throng him.
 - 10. For he had healed many: insomuch that they pressed upon him for to touch him,

as many as had plaques.

- 11. And unclean spirits. when they saw him.
- fell down before him. and cried.
- saying, Thou art the Son of God.
- 12. And he straitly charged them that they should not make him known.
- 13. And he goeth up into a mountain, and calleth unto him whom he would: and they came unto him.
- 14. And he ordained twelve. that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach.
- 15. And to have power
- to heal sicknesses.
- and to cast out devils:
 - 16. And Simon he surnamed Peter:
 - 17. And James the son of Zebedee. and John the brother of James; and he surnamed them Boanerges, which is. The sons of thunder:
 - 18. And Andrew, and Philip, and Bartholomew, and Matthew, and Thomas, and James the son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus, and Simon the Canaanite.
 - 19. And Judas Iscariot, which also betrayed him: and they went into an house.
- 20. And the multitude cometh together again, so that they could not so much as eat bread.
- 21. **And** when
- his friends heard of it, they
- went out to lay hold on him:
- for they said. He is ■ beside himself.

- 22 And the scribes which came down from Jerusalem
- said. He hath Beelzebub, and
- by the prince of the devils casteth he out devils.
- 23. And he called them unto him, and
- said unto them
- in parables, How can Satan cast out Satan?
 - 24. And if a kingdom be divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand.
 - 25. And if a house be divided against itself, that house cannot stand.
- 26. And if Satan rise up against himself, and
- be divided, he cannot stand, but hath an end.
- 27. No man can enter into a strona man's house.
 - and spoil his goods,
- except he will first bind the
- strong man: and then he will spoil his house.
 - 28. Verily I say unto you,
- All sins shall be forgiven unto the sons of men, and

blasphemies wherewith soever they shall blaspheme:

- 29. But he that shall
- blaspheme against the Holy Ghost hath never
- forgiveness, but is in danger of
- eternal damnation. 30. Because they said. He hath an
 - unclean spirit.
 - 31. There came
- then his brethren and his
- mother, and, standing without,
 - sent unto him,
- calling him.
- 32. And the multitude sat about him, and they
- said unto him, Behold,
- thy mother and thy brethren without
 - seek for thee.
 - 33. And he answered them, saying, Who is my mother, or my brethren?
- 34. And he looked round about
 - on them which sat about
 - him, and said, Behold my

mother and my brethren! 35. For whosoever shall do ■ the will of God, the same

is my brother, and my sister, and mother.

CHAPTER 4

1. **And he** began again to teach by the sea side; and there was gathered unto him a great multitude, so that he

entered into a ship.

and sat in the sea:

and the whole

multitude was by the sea

on the land.

2. And he taught them many things

by parables, and said unto them in his doctrine.

3. Hearken: Behold.

there went out a

sower to sow:

4. And it came to pass, as he sowed,

some fell by the way side. and the fowls of the air came and

devoured it up.

5. And some fell on stony

ground, where it had not much earth:

and immediately it sprang up,

because it had no depth of earth:

6. But when

the sun was up, it was

scorched: and because it had no root.

it withered away.

And some fell amona

thorns, and the thorns grew up, and

choked it, and it yielded no fruit.

8. And other fell on good ground, and did yield fruit

that sprang up and increased; and brought forth, some thirty, and some sixty, and some an hundred.

9. And he said unto them, He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

■ 10. And when he was

alone, they that were about him with the twelve

asked of him the parable.

11. And he said unto them.

Unto you it

is given to know

the mystery of the kingdom of God: but unto them

that are without, all these

thinas are done

in parables:

12. That seeing they may see, and

not perceive; and hearing they may hear, and

not understand: lest at any time

thev should

be converted, and their sins should be forgiven them.

13. And he said unto them.

Know ye not

this parable? and how then will ve know all parables?

14. The sower soweth

the word. 15. And these are they

by the way side, where the word is sown; but

when they have

heard. Satan cometh immediately.

and taketh away the word that was sown in their hearts.

16 And these

are they likewise which are

sown on stony ground; who, when they have heard

the word, immediately

receive it with aladness:

17 And have no root in themselves, and

SO endure but for a time: afterward.

when affliction or

persecution ariseth for the word's sake, immediately

they are offended.

18. And these are they which are sown among thorns; such as

hear the word.

19 And the cares of this world.

and the deceitfulness of

riches, and the lusts of other things entering in,

choke the word.

and it becometh unfruitful.

20. And these are they which are

sown on good ground: such as hear the word, and

receive it, and bring forth

fruit, some thirtyfold, some sixty, and some an hundred.

21. And he said unto them.

is a candle brought to be

put under a bushel, or under a bed? and not to be

set on a candlestick? 22. For there is nothing hid.

which shall not be manifested;

neither was any thing

■ kept secret, but that it should come abroad.

> 23. If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

24. And he said unto them. Take heed what ye hear: with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you; and

unto you that hear shall more be given.

25. For he that hath, to him

shall be given: and he that

hath not, from him shall be taken

even that which he hath. 26. And he said.

So is the kingdom of God.

if a man should

cast seed into the ground;

27. And should sleep. and rise night and day.

and the seed should

spring and grow up, he knoweth

not how.

28. For the earth bringeth forth fruit of herself: first the

blade, then the ear, after that the full corn in the ear.

29. But when the fruit is brought forth.

immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the

harvest is come.

30. And he said.

Whereunto shall we liken

the kingdom of God? or with what comparison shall we compare it?

31. It is like a grain of

mustard seed, which, when it

is sown in the earth

is less than all the seeds that he in the earth:

32. But when it is sown. it groweth up, and

becometh greater than all

herbs, and shooteth out great branches; so that the fowls of the air may lodge under the shadow of it.

33. And with many such

parables spake he the

word unto them, as they were able to hear it.

 But without a parable spake he not unto them:

and when they were alone,

he expounded all things

to his disciples.

35. And the same day, when the even was come, he

saith unto them.

Let us pass over unto the

other side.

36. And when they had sent away the multitude, they took him even as he was

in the ship. And there were also

with him

other little ships.

37. And

there arose a great storm

of wind, and the waves beat into the ship, so that it was now full.

38. And he was in the hinder part of the ship.

asleep on a pillow:

and they awake him, and

SQY unto him, Master, П

carest thou not that

we perish?

39. And he arose, and

rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea. Peace, be still.

And the wind ceased.

and there was a great calm.

40. And he said unto them,

Why are ye so fearful? how

is it that ye have no faith?

41. And they feared

exceedingly, and said one to another.

What manner of man is this,

that even the wind and the sea obey him?

CHAPTER 5

1. And they came

aver up to the other side.

over unto the other side of the sea,

- into the country of
- the Gadarenes.
- 2. And when he was come out of the ship, immediately
- there met him out of the tombs a man with an
- unclean spirit.
- 3. **Who** had *his* dwelling among the tombs; and
- no man could bind

him, no, not with chains:

- 4. Because that he had been often bound with fetters and chains, and the chains had been plucked asunder by him, and the fetters broken in pieces:
- neither could any *man* tame him.
- 5. And always, night and day, he was in the mountains, and in the tombs.
- crying, and cutting himselfwith stones.
- 6. But when he saw Jesus afar off,
- he ran andworshipped him,
 - 7. And cried with a foud voice,
 - and said, What have I to do
- with thee, Jesus, thou Son
- Of the most high
- God? I adjure thee

by God, that thou

- torment me not.
 - 8. For he said unto him, Come out of the man, *thou* unclean spirit.
- 9 And he asked him, What
- is thy name? And he
- answered, saying, My name is Legion: for we are many.
- 10. And he besought him
- much that he would
- not send them away
- out of the country.
- 11. Now there was there night unto the mountains
- a great herd of swine feeding.

- 12. And all the devils
- besought him, saving.
- Send us into the swine, that we may enter into them.

13. And forthwith

■ Jesus gave them leave.

And the unclean spirits went out, and entered into the swine:

- and the herd ran violently down a steep place
- into the sea,

(they were about two thousand;)

- and were choked in the sea.
 - 14. And they

that fed the swine fled, and

- told it in the city, and in the country. And they went out
- to see what it was that was done.

15. And they come to

- Jesus, and see him that was possessed with the devil, and
- had the legion, sitting, and clothed,
- and in his right mind:

and they were afraid.

- 16. And they that saw *it* told them how it befell to him that was possessed with the devil, and *also* concerning the
- 17. And they began to pray him to depart out of their coasts.
- 18. And when he was come into the ship.
- he that had been
- possessed with the devil
- prayed him that he might be with him.
 - 19 Howbeit
- Jesus suffered him not, but
- saith unto him, Go home to thy friends,
- and tell them how greatthings the Lord hath done

for thee, and hath had compassion on thee.

- 20. **And he** departed, and
 - began to publish in Decapolis
 how great things Jesus had
- **done** for him:

- and all men did marvel.
- 21. **And** when
- Jesus was
- passed over again

- by ship unto the other side, much people gathered unto him: and he was nigh unto the sea.
- 22. And, behold, there cometh one of the rulers

of the synagogue,

- Jairus by name; and when he saw him, he
- fell at his feet,

23. And besought him greatly,

- saying, My little daughter lieth at the point of death:
 I pray thee,
- come and lay thy hands on her,
 that she may be healed;
 and she shall live.
- 24. And Jesus went with him; and much people followed him, and thronged him.
- 25. And a certain woman,
 which had an issue of
 blood twelve years,
- 26. And had suffered many
 things of many physicians, and had
 spent all that she had, and was no-
- spent all that she had, and was nothing bettered, but rather grew worse, 27. When she had heard of
- Jesus, came in the press behind, and touched his garment.
- 28. For she said, If I may touch but his clothes, I shall be whole.
- 29. And straightway the fountain of her blood was dried up; and she felt in her body that
- she was healed of that plague.
- 30. And Jesus, immediately
- knowing in himself
- that virtue had gone out of him.

turned him about in the press, and

- said, Who touched my clothes?
- 31. And his disciples said unto him,
- Thou seest the multitude thronging thee, and sayest thou, Who touched me?
- 32. And he looked round about
- thing.
- 33. But the woman fearing and trembling, knowing what was done

in her.

- came and fell down before him, and told him all the truth.
- 34. And he said unto her, Daughter.
- thy faith hath made thee
 whole; go in peace, and be whole of thy plaque.
- 35. While he yet spake, there came from the ruler of the synagogue's house certain which said, Thy daughter is
- **dead:** why troublest thou the Master any further?
- 36. As soon as Jesus heard the word that was spoken,
 he saith
 - unto the ruler of the synagogue,
 - Be not afraid, only believe.

 37. And he suffered no man to follow him, save Peter, and James, and John the brother of James.
- 38. And he cometh to the house of the ruler of the
 - synagogue, and seeth the tumult, and them that wept and wailed greatly.
- 39. And when he was come in, he saith unto them.
- Why make ye this ado, and
- weep? the damsel is not dead, but sleepeth.
- 40. And they laughed him to scorn.
- | But when he had put them ■ | all out, he taketh the father
- and the mother of the damsel, and them that were with him,
- and entereth in where thedamsel was lying.
- 41. And he took the damsel
 by the hand, and said
 - unto her, Talitha cumi; which is, being interpreted,
- Damsel, I say unto thee, arise.
- 42. And straightway the
- damsel arose, and walked; for she was of the age of twelve years.
- And they were astonished with a great astonishment.
- 43. And he charged them straitly that no man should know it; and
 - commanded that

something should be given let her to eat.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. And he went out from thence, and came into his own country;
 and his disciples follow him.
- 2. And when the sabbath day was come,
- he began to teach in the
 synagogue: and many
 hearing him were
- **astonished**, **saying**, From whence hath this *man* these things? and what wisdom *is* this which is given unto him, that even such mighty works are wrought by his hands?
- 3. Is not this the carpenter,
 the son of Mary, the brother of James, and Joses, and of Juda, and Simon? and are not his sisters here with us?
- And they were offended at him.
- 4. But Jesus, said unto them.
 A prophet is not without honour, but in his own
- **Country,** and among his own kin, and in his own house.
- 5. And he could there
 do no mighty work, save
 that he laid his hands
- upon a few sick folk, and healed them.
- 6. And he marvelledbecause of their unbelief.

And he went round about the villages, teaching.

- 7. And he called unto him
- the twelve, and began to send them forth by two and two; and gave them power over unclean spirits:
- 8 And commanded themthat they should take
- nothing for their journey, save a staff only; no scrip, no bread, no money in their purse:
 - 9. But *be* shod with sandals; and not put on two coats.
- 10. And he said unto them, In what place soever ye enter into an house, there abide till ye depart from

that place.

- 11. And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under
- shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them.

Verily I say unto you,

- It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment,
 than for that city.
- than for that city.

 12. And they went out, and
 preached that men
- should repent.

 13. And they cast out many devils, and anointed with
- oil many that were sick, and healed them.
- 14. And king Herod heard of him: (for his name was spread abroad:) and he
- said, That John the Baptist
 was risen from the dead, and therefore mighty works do shew forth themselves in him.
- 15. Others said, That it is
 Elias. And others said,
 That it is a prophet,

■ Or as

- one of the prophets.
 - 16. But when
- Herod heard thereof, he
- said, It is John, whom I beheaded:
- he is risen from the dead.
- 17. For Herod himself had sent forth and laid
- hold upon John, and
 bound him in prison for
 Herodias' sake, his brother
 Philip's wife: for he had married her.

 18. For John had said
 - 18. For John had said unto Herod,
- It is not lawful for thee
 to have thy brother's wife.
 - 19. Therefore Herodias had a quarrel against him, and
- would have killed him; butshe could not:
- 20. For Herod feared John, knowing that he was a just man and an holy, and observed him; and when he

- heard him, he did many things, and heard him gladly.
- 21. And when a convenient day was come, that
- Herod on his birthday
 made a supper

to his lords, high captains, and chief estates of Galilee;

- 22. And when the daughter
- Of the said
- Herodias came in, and danced, and pleased
- Herod and them that sat with him.
- the king said unto the damsel,
- Ask of me
- whatsoever thou wilt, and I will give it thee.

23. And he sware unto her, Whatsoever thou shalt ask of me, I will give it thee, unto the half of my kingdom.

- 24. And she went forth, and said unto her mother, What shall ask? And she said, The
- head of John the Baptist.

 25. And she came in straightway
- with haste unto the king,

 and asked, saying, I will that thou
- give me by and by in a charger
- the head ofJohn the Baptist.
- 26. And the king was exceeding sorry; yet for his oath's
- sorry; yer for his odin's sake, and for their sakes which sat with him.
- he would not reject her.
- 27. **And** immediately the king sent
- an executioner,

and commanded his head to be brought: and he went and

- beheaded him in the prison,
 28. And brought his head in a charger, and gave it to the damsel:
- and the damsel gave it to her mother.
 - 29. And when his disciples heard of it, they came and took up his corpse, and laid it in a tomb.
- 30. And the apostles
- gathered themselves together
 - unto Jesus, and told him all things, both

- what they had done, and what they had taught.
- 31. And he said unto them,
- Come ve veurselves
- Come ye yourselves
- apart into a desert place,
- and rest a while: for there were many coming and going, and they had no leisure so much as to eat.
- 32. And they departed into a desert place
- by ship privately.
- 33. And the people saw
- them departing, and many knew him,
 - and ran afoot thither out of all cities, and outwent them, and came together
 - unto him.

- 34. And Jesus, when he came out, saw much people, and
- was moved with
- compassion toward them,
- because they were as sheep not having a
- shepherd: and he began to teach
- them many things.

 35, And when the day was
- now far spent, his disciples came unto him, and
- said, This is a desert
- place, and now the
 - time is far passed:
- 36. Send them away, that
- they may go into the country round about, and into the villages, and
 buy themselves
- bread: for they have nothing to eat.
- and said unto them,
- | Give ye them to eat. And
- they say unto him,
- Shall we go and buy two hundred pennyworth of
- bread, and give them to eat?
- 38. He saith unto them,
 How many loaves have
- How many lo
 - And when they knew,
- they say, Five,
- and two fishes.

 39. And he commanded
- 39. And he con them to make all
 - sit down by companies upon the

green grass.

40. And they sat down

in ranks.

by hundreds, and by fifties.

■ 41. And when he had taken
■ the five loaves and the two

fishes, he

looked up to heaven, and

blessed, and brake the loaves,

■ and gave them

■ to his disciples to set before

them; and the two fishes divided he among them all.

42. **And they** did all eat, and

■ were filled.

43. And they took up twelve baskets full of the

fragments, and of the fishes.

44. And they that did eat of the loaves

were about five thousand men.

■ 45. And straightway he

constrained his disciples to get into the ship, and to

go to the other side before unto Bethsaida, while he sent

away the people. 46. **And** when he had

sent them away.

he departed into a
mountain to pray.

47. And when even was come, the ship was in the midst of the sea, and he alone on the land.

■ 48. And he saw them toiling

in rowing; for the wind was

confrary unto them:
and about the fourth

watch of the night

■ he cometh unto them,

walking upon the sea, and would have passed by

tnem.
49. **But** when they saw him walking

upon the sea,

they supposed it had been a spirit, and

cried out:

50. For they all saw him, and were troubled.

■ And immediately he

talked with them, and

saith unto them.

Be of good cheer: it is I; be not afraid.

51. And he went up unto them into the ship: and the wind

into the ship; and the windceased: and they were

sore amazed in themselves

beyond measure, and wondered.

52. For they considered not *the miracle* of the loaves: for their heart was hardened.

53. **And** when they had passed over,

they came into the land of Gennesaret.

and drew to the shore.

54. **And when they**

were come out of the ship, straightway they knew him,

55. And ran through that whole region round about, and

began to carry about in beds those that were sick,

where they heard he was. 56. And whithersoever he entered, into villages, or cities, or country,

■ they laid the sick in the

streets, and besought him that they might touch if it were but the border of

his garment: and as many as touched him

were made whole.

CHAPTER 7

1. **Then came** together unto him

the Pharisees, and certain of the

scribes.

which came from Jerusalem.

2. And when they

■ SQW some of

his disciples eat bread with defiled, that is to say.

with unwashen hands, they found fault.

3. For the Pharisees, and all the Jews.

except they wash

their hands oft,

eat not.

holding the tradition of the elders.

4. And when they come from the market, except they wash, they eat

not. And many other things there be. which they have received to hold. as the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables.

5. Then the Pharisees and scribes asked him. Why walk not

thy disciples according to

the tradition of the elders.

but eat bread with unwashen hands?

6. He answered and said unto them. Well hath Esaias prophesied of you hypocrites, as

it is written. This people

honoureth me with their lips, but their heart is far

from me.

7. Howbeit in vain do they worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men.

8. For laving aside the commandment of God, ye hold the tradition of men, as the washing of pots and cups: and many other such like things ye do. 9. And he said unto them. Full well

ve reject the command-ment of God, that ye may keep your own tradition. 10. For Moses said, Honour

thy father and thy mother: and. Whoso curseth father or mother,

let him die the death: 11. But ye say, If a man shall say to his father or mother.

If is Corban, that is to say,

a giff, by whatsoever

thou mightest be profited

by me; he shall be free. 12. And ye suffer him

no more to do aught for his father or his mother;

13. Making the word of God of none effect through your

tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

14. And when he had called all the people unto him,

he said unto them.

Hearken unto me every one of you.

and understand:

15. There is nothing from without a man, that

entering into him

can defile him: but the things which come out of

him, those are they that

defile the man.

16. If any man have ears to hear, let him hear.

17. And when he was entered into the house from the people,

his disciples asked him concerning the parable.

18. And he saith unto them. Are ye so without understanding also? Do ye not perceive, that

whatsoever thing from without entereth into the

man, it cannot defile him;

19. Because it entereth not into his heart, but

into the belly, and goeth out into the draught. purging all meats?

20. And he said. That which cometh out of the man, that defileth the man.

21. For from within, out of the heart of men.

proceed evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, Thefts, covetousness. wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eve, blasphemy, pride, foolishness:

23. All these evil things come from within, and defile the man.

And from thence

he arose, and

went into the borders of Tyre and Sidon, and entered into an house.

and would have no man know it: but he could

not be hid.

25. **For a** *certain* **woman**,

whose young daughter had an unclean spirit, heard of him, and came and fell at his feet:

The woman was a Greek,

a Syrophenician

by nation; and she

besought him that he would

cast forth the devil out of

her daughter.

27. But Jesus said unto her, Let

the children first he filled: for it is not meet to take the children's bread, and to

cast it unto the doas. 28. And she answered and said unto him. Yes. Lord:

yet the dogs under the table

eat of the children's

crumbs.

29. And he said unto her.

For this saying go thy way:

the devil is gone out of thy daughter.

30. And when she was come to her house, she found the devil gone out, and her daughter laid upon the bed. 31. And again, departing from the

coasts of Tyre and Sidon. he came unto the sea of Galilee. through the midst of the coasts of

Decapolis.

32. And they bring unto him one that was deaf.

and had an impediment in his speech;

> and they beseech him to put his hand upon him.

33. And he took him aside from the multitude.

and put his fingers into his ears, and he spit, and touched his tongue;

> 34. And looking up to heaven, he sighed.

and saith unto him. Ephphatha, that is,

Be opened.

35. And straightway his ears were opened, and the string of his tongue was loosed.

and he spake plain.

36 And he charged them that they should tell no

man: but the more he charged them, so much the more a great deal

they published it;

37. And were beyond measure **astonished**, saying, He hath

done all things well: he maketh both

the deat to hear.

and the dumb

■ to speak.

CHAPTER 8

1. In those days the multitude being very great, and having nothing to eat. Jesus called his disciples

unto him.

and saith unto them,

2. I have compassion on

the multitude, because they have now been with me three days, and

have nothing to eat:

3. And if I send them away

fasting to their own houses.

they will faint by the way: for divers of them came from far.

4. And his disciples

answered him.

From whence can a man satisfy these *men* with

bread here in the wilderness?

And he asked them.

How many loaves have ye? And they said, Seven.

6. And he commanded the people to sit down on the ground; and

he took the seven loaves, 8 and gave thanks, and

brake, and gave to his disciples to set before them:

and they did

set them before the people

And they had a few small fishes: and he blessed, and commanded to set them also before them.

8. So they did eat, and

were filled: and they took up of the broken

meat that was left seven baskets.

And they that had eaten

were about four thousand: and he sent them away.

10. And straightway

he entered into

a ship with his disciples, and came into the parts of

Dalmanutha.

11. And the Pharisees came forth, and began

to question with

him, seeking of him

a sign from heaven,

tempting him.

- 12. **And he** sighed deeply in his spirit, and
 - saith, Why doth this generation seek after a sign?

verily I say unto you,

- There shall no sign be
- **given** unto this generation.
 - 13. **And he** left them, and entering into the ship again
- **departed** to the other side.
- 14 Now the disciples had forgotten to take bread,

neither had they in the ship with them more than one loaf.

- 15. And he charged them, saying, Take heed,
- beware of the leaven of the
 Pharisees, and of the leaven of
 Herod.
- 16. And they reasoned among themselves, saying,
- It is because we have no bread.
 - 17. And when
- Jesus knew it, he
- **saith** unto them,
- Why reason ye, because ye have no bread?
- perceive ye not yet, neither understand? have ye your heart vet hardened?
 - 18. Having eyes, see ye not? and having ears, hear ye not? and
- do ye not remember?
- 19. When I brake the five
- loaves among five
- thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? They say unto him, Twelve.
- 20. **And** when the
- seven among four
- thousand, how many baskets full of fragments took ye up? And they said. Seven.
- 21. And he said unto them,
- How is it that ye do not understand?
- 22. And he cometh to
- Bethsaida; and they bring
- a blind man unto him, and besought him to touch him.
 - 23. **And he** took the blind man by the hand, and led him out of the town;

and when he had

- spit on his eyes, and put his hands upon him, he
- asked him
 - if he saw aught.
- 24. And he looked up, and
 - said, I see men
- as trees, walking.

 25. After that he put his
- hands again upon his
- **eyes,** and made him look up:
- and he was restored, and saw every man clearly.
 - 26. And he sent him away to his house, saying, Neither go into the town, nor tell it to any in the town.
- 27. And Jesus went out, and his disciples, into the towns of Caesarea Philippi: and by the way he
- asked his disciples, saying unto them,
- Whom do men say ■ that I am?

28. And

- they answered, John the Baptist; but some say,
- Elias; and others, One of the prophets.
- 29. And he saith unto them,
- But whom say ye that I am?
- And Peter answereth
- Thou art the Christ.
 - 30. And he charged them that they should tell no man of him.
- 31. And he began to teach them, that the Son of man
- must suffer many things, and be rejected of the elders, and of the chief priests, and scribes,
- and be killed, and after three days rise again.
 - 32. And he spake that saying openly.
- And Peter took him, andbegan to rebuke him.
- 33. But when he had turned about and looked on his disciples,
- he rebuked Peter, saying,Get thee behind me, Satan:

for thou savourest not the things that be of God, but the things that be of men.

34. And when he had called

- the people unto him with his disciples also.
- he said unto them.
- Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and
- follow me.
 - 35. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's. the same shall save it.
- 36. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul?
- 37. Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?
- 38 Whosoever therefore
- shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation:
- of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.

CHAPTER 9

- And he said unto them. Verily I say unto you, That
- there be some of them that stand
- here, which shall not taste of death, till they have seen the kingdom of God come

with power.

2. And after six days

Jesus taketh with him

Peter, and James, and

John, and leadeth them up

into an high mountain

apart by themselves:

- and he was transfigured before them
- 3. And his raiment became shining, exceeding
- white as snow; so as no fuller on earth can white them.
- 4. And there appeared unto them
- Elias with Moses: and they were
 - talking with Jesus.
 - 5. And Peter answered

and said to Jesus

Master, it is good for us to be here: and

let us make three

- tabernacles; one for thee, and one for Moses, and one for Elias. 6. For he wist not what to say; for they were sore afraid.
- 7. And there was
- a cloud that
- overshadowed them: and a voice came out of the cloud.
- saying, This is my beloved
 - Son: hear him. 8. And suddenly,
- when they had looked round about. they saw no man any more, save
- Jesus only with themselves.
 - 9. And as they came down from the mountain.
- he charged them that they should tell no man what things they had seen.
- till the Son of man were •
- risen from the dead.
 - 10. And thev
 - kept that saying with themselves,
- questioning one with another what the rising from the dead
 - should mean. 11. And they
- asked him, saying,
 - Why say the scribes that
- Elias must first come?
 - 12. And he answered
- and told them.
 - Elias verily cometh first, and restoreth all things:
- and how it is written of
- the Son of man, that he
- must suffer many things, and be set at nought.
- 13. But I say unto you, That
- Elias is indeed come, and
- they have done unto him
- whatsoever they listed, as it is written of him.
- 14. And when he came to his disciples, he saw
 - a great multitude about them, and
 - the scribes questioning with them

- 15. And straightway all the people, when they beheldd him, were greatly amazed, and running to *him* saluted him.
- 16. And he asked the scribes,
- What question ye with them?

 17. And one of the multitude
- answered and said. Master.
- I have brought unto thee
- my son, which hath a
- dumb spirit;
 - 18. And wheresoever he taketh him, he teareth him: and he foameth, and gnasheth with his teeth, and pineth away:
- and I spake to thy
- disciples that they should
- cast him out; and they
- | could not.
- 19. He answereth him, and saith, O faithless generation, how long shall I be with you? how long shall I suffer you?
- bring him unto me.
- 20. And they brought him unto him:
- and when he saw him, straightway
- the spirit tare him; and he fell on the ground,
- and wallowed foaming.
- 21. And he asked his father,
- How long is it ago
- since this came unto him?And he said, Of a child.
 - 22. And ofttimes it hath cast him into the fire, and into the waters, to destroy him:
- but if thou canst do any
- thing, have compassion on us, and help us.
- 23. Jesus said unto him, If thou canst believe.
- all things *are* possible to him that believeth.
- 24. And straightway
- the father of the child
- **cried** out, and said with tears,
- Lord, I believe;
 - help thou mine unbelief.
- 25. When Jesus saw that
- the people
 - came running together,
 - he rebuked the foul spirit,

- | saying unto him,
- Thou dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee,
- | come out of him,
 - and enter no more into him.
- 26. **And the spirit**
- came out of him: and he
- was as one dead; insomuch that many said. He is dead.
- 27. But Jesus
 - took him by the hand, and
- lifted him up; and he arose.
 - 28. And when he was
- his disciples asked him privately,
- Why could not we
- cast him out?
- 29. And he said unto them,
- This kind can come forth by
- nothing, but by prayer
 - and fasting.
 - 30. And they departed thence, and passed through Galilee;
- and he would not that any
- man should know it.
- 31. For he taught his
- disciples, and said unto them.

 The Son of man is delivered
- The Son of man is delivered
- into the hands of men, and
- they shall kill him; and after that he is killed.
- he shall rise the third day.
 - But they understood not that saying, and were afraid to ask him.
- 33. And he came to Capernaum: and being in the house he
- asked them, What was it
- that ye disputed among vourselves by the way?
 - 34. But they held their peace:
- for by the way
 they had disputed
- among themselves,
- who *should be* the greatest.
- 35. **And he** sat down, and called the twelve, and
- saith unto them, If any man
- desire to be first, the same
 - shall be last of all, and
- |■| servant of all.

36 And he took a child, and set him in the midst of them; and when he had taken him in his arms, he said unto them.

37 Whosoever shall

receive one of such children. in my name, receiveth me:

and whosoever shall receive me, receiveth not me, but

him that sent me.

38 And John answered him. saving, Master,

we saw one casting out devils in thy name, and he followeth not us:

and we forbad him.

because he followeth not us.

39. But Jesus said. Forbid him not: for there is no man which shall do a miracle in my name, that can lightly speak evil of me.

40. For he that is not against us is on our part.

41. For whosoever shall

give you a cup of

water to drink

in my name, because ye belong to Christ, verily I say unto you, he

shall not lose his reward. 42. And whosoever shall

offend one of

these little ones

that believe in me.

if is better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and

he were cast into the sea. 43. And if thy hand offend thee, cut it off; it is better

to enter into life maimed. than having two hands to

go into hell, into the fire that never shall be guenched: 44. Where their worm dieth not, and

the fire is not quenched.

45. And if thy foot offend thee, cut it off: it is better for thee to enter halt into life,

than having two feet to be cast into hell, into the fire that never shall be quenched:

46. Where their worm dieth not, and

the fire is not quenched.

47. And if thine eye offend thee, pluck it out: it is better for thee to enter into the kingdom of God with one eye.

than having two eyes to be cast into hell fire:

48. Where their worm dieth

not, and the fire is not auenched.

> 49. For every one shall be salted with fire, and every sacrifice shall be salted with salt.

50. Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his saltness, wherewith will ye season it? Have salt in vourselves. and have peace one with another.

CHAPTER 10

 And he arose from thence, and cometh into the coasts of Judaea

by the farther side of

Jordan: and the people resort unto him again; and, as he was wont,

he taught them again.

2 And the Pharisees 6 came to him, and

asked him, is it lawful for a man to put away his wife?

tempting him.

3. And he answered and said unto them.

What did Moses command you?

4. And they said,

Moses suffered

to write a bill

of divorcement. and to put her away.

And Jesus answered and said unto them.

For the hardness of your

heart he wrote you this precept.

But from the beginning of the creation

God made them male and female.

7. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother.

and cleave to his wife:

8. And they twain shall be one flesh: so then they are no more twain, but one flesh.

- 9. What therefore God hath ioined together, let not man put asunder.
 - 10. And in the house his disciples asked him again of the same matter. 11. And he saith unto them.
- Whosoever shall put away his wife, and marry
- another, committeth
- adultery against her.
- 12. And if a woman shall put away her husband, and be married to another, she
- committeth adultery.
 - 13. And they brought young children to him, that he should touch them:
- and his disciples rebuked those that brought them.
- 14. But when
- Jesus saw it, he was much displeased, and
- said unto them.
- Suffer the little children to come unto me.
- and forbid them not:
- for of such is the kingdom of God.
 - 15. Verily I say unto you,
- Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child, he shall not
- enter therein.
- 16. And he took them up in his arms, put his hands upon them, and blessed them.
 - 17. And when he was gone forth into the way.
- there came one
- running, and kneeled to him.
- and asked him, Good Master, what shall I do that I may
- inherit eternal life?
 - 18. And Jesus said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God.
 - 19. Thou knowest the commandments.
- Do not commit adultery.
 - Do not
- kill, Do not
 - steal, Do not
- bear false witness, Defraud | | left house, or brethren,

- not, Honour thy father and mother.
- 20. And he answered and
- said unto him.
- Master, all these have I
- observed from my youth.
 - 21. Then Jesus
 - beholding him loved him, and
- said unto him.
- One thing thou lackest: go thy way.
- sell whatsoever thou hast. and give to the poor.
- and thou shalt have treasure in heaven; and come, take up the cross. and follow me.
- 22. And he was sad at that saving, and went away grieved:
- for he had areat possessions.
- 23. And Jesus
 - looked round about, and
- saith unto his disciples. How hardly shall they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!
 - 24. And the disciples were astonished at his words. But Jesus answereth again, and saith unto them, Children,
- how hard is it for them that trust in riches to enter into the kingdom of God!
 - 25. It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kinadom of God.
 - 26. And they were
- astonished out of measure,
- savina among themselves,
- Who then can be saved?
- 27. And Jesus looking upon them
- saith, With men *it is* impossible, but
 - not with God: for
- with God all things
 - are possible.
- 28. Then Peter began to
- say unto him, Lo,
- we have left all, and have followed thee.
 - 29. And Jesus answered and said. Verily I say unto you,
- There is no man that hath

or sisters, or father, or mother.

or wife, or children.

or lands, for my sake, and the gospel's,

30. But he shall receive an hundredfold now in this

fime, houses, and brethren, and sisters, and mothers, and children, and lands.

with persecutions; and in
the world to come
eternal life.

31. But many that are first shall be last; and the last first.

■ 32. **And** they were

■ in the way going up

to Jerusalem; and Jesus went before them: and they were amazed; and as they followed, they were afraid. And

he took again the twelve, and

began to tell them what things should happen unto him.

■ 33. **Saying**, Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and

the Son of man shall be delivered unto the chief

priests, and unto the
 scribes; and they shall
 condemn him to death.

and shall deliver him to the Gentiles: 34. And they shall mock him, and shall scourge him, and shall spit upon him, and shall kill him:

and the third day he shallrise again.

35. And James and John, the sons of Zebedee.

come unto him,

saying, Master, we would that thou shouldest

do for us whatsoever we

shall desire.

36. And he said unto them,

■ What would ye that I

should do for you?

37. They said unto him,

■ Grant unto us

that we may sit, one

on thy right hand,

and the other on thy

left hand, in thy glory.

38. **But Jesus said** unto them, Ye know not what ye ask:

can ye drink of the cup that
 I drink of? and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?
 39. And they said unto him.

We can.

And Jesus said unto them.
 Ye shall indeed drink of the

Cup that I drink of: and with the baptism that I am baptized withal shall ye be baptized:

40. But to sit on my right hand

■ and on my

left hand is not mine to give; but it shall be given to them for whom
it is prepared.

41. And when

■ the ten heard it, they

began to be much displeased with James and John.

■ 42. But Jesus

called them to him, and

saith unto them, Ye know that they which are accounted to rule over the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and their great ones exercise authority upon them.

43. But so shall it not be among you: but

whosoever will be great among you, shall be your minister:

44. And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all.

45. For even the Son of man

came not to be ministered unto, but
 to minister, and to give his
 life a ransom for many.

■ 46. And they came to

Jericho: and as he went out of Jericho with his disciples and a great number of people.

■ blind Bartimaeus,

the son of Timaeus,

sat by the highway side begaing.

47. And when he heard that it was Jesus of Nazareth.

he began to cry out, and say.

- Jesus, thou son of David. have mercy on me.
 - 48. And many charged him that he should hold his peace; but he cried the more a great deal, Thou son of David, have mercy on me.
- 49. And Jesus stood still, and commanded him to be
- called. And they call the blind man, saving unto him. Be of good comfort, rise: he calleth thee.
 - 50. And he, casting away his garment, rose, and
 - came to Jesus.
- 51. And Jesus answered and
 - said unto him.
- What wilt thou that I should
 - do unto thee?
- The blind man said unto him. Lord, that I might receive
- my sight.
- 52. And Jesus said unto him, Go thy way;
- thy faith hath made
- | thee whole.
- And immediately he received his sight,
 - and followed Jesus in the way.

CHAPTER 11

- 1 1. And when they came nigh to Jerusalem, unto Bethphage and Bethany, at
- the mount of Olives, he
- sendeth forth
- two of his
- disciples.
- 2. And saith unto them.
- Go your way
- into the village over against you: and as soon as ye be entered into it,
- ve shall find a colt tied.
- - whereon never man sat;
- loose him, and bring him.
 - 3. And if any man say unto you, Why do ye this? say ye that the Lord hath need of him; and straightway he will send him hither.
- 4. And they went their way, and ■ found the colf tied by the door without in a place where two ways met;
- and they loose him.

- 1.5. And certain of them. that stood there said unto them.
- What do ve. loosing the colt? 6. And they said unto them
- even as Jesus had
- commanded: and they let them ao.
- 7. And they brought the colt to Jesus, and cast their garments on him:
- and he sat upon him.
- 8 And many spread their
 - garments in the way:
- and others cut down
 - branches off the trees. and strawed them
- in the way.
- And they that went before. and they that followed,
- cried, saving.
- Hosanna; Blessed is he that cometh in the name
- of the Lord:
 - 10. Blessed be the kingdom of our father David, that cometh in the name. of the Lord: Hosanna in the highest.
 - 11. And Jesus entered into Jerusalem, and
 - into the temple: and when he had
 - looked round
 - about upon all things,
- and now the eventide was come, he went out
- unto Bethany with the twelve.
 - 12. And on the morrow, when they were come from Bethany,
 - he was hungry:
- 13. And seeing a fig tree afar off having leaves,
- he came, if haply he might find any thing thereon:
- and when he came to it, he found nothing but leaves;
- for the time of figs was not yet.
- 14. And Jesus answered and
- said unto it. No man eat fruit of thee hereafter
- for ever. And his disciples heard it.
- 15. And they come to Jerusalem: and Jesus
 - went into the temple, and

- began to cast out them that sold and bought in the
 - temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves:
 - 16. And would not suffer that any man should carry any vessel through the temple.
- 17. And he taught, saying unto them, Is it not written,
- My house shall be called of all nations
- the house of prayer? but ye have made it a den of thieves.
 - 18. And the scribes and
- chief priests heard it, and
- sought how they might
- destroy him: for they feared him, because all the people were astonished at his doctrine.
 - 19. And when even was come, he went out of the city.
- 20. And in the morning, as they passed by,
 - they saw the fig tree dried
- **UP** from the roots.
- 21. And Peter calling to remembrance
- saith unto him.
- Master, behold.
- the fig tree which thou
- cursedst is withered away.
- 22. And Jesus answering
- saith unto them.
- Have faith in God.
- 23. For verily I say unto you, That whosoever shall say unto
- this mountain.
- Be thou removed, and
- be thou cast into the sea; and shall not doubt in his

heart, but shall believe that those things which he saith shall come to pass; he

- shall have whatsoever ■ he saith.
- 24. Therefore I say unto you, ■ What things soever ye
- desire, when ye pray,
- believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them.

praying, forgive, if ye have aught against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive

25. And when ye stand

- you your trespasses. 26. But if ye do not forgive.
- neither will your Father which is in heaven
- forgive your trespasses.
- 27. And they come again to Jerusalem: and
 - as he was walking in the temple.
- there come to him
 - the chief priests, and the scribes, and the elders,
- 28. And say unto him.
- By what authority doest thou these things? and who
 - gave thee this authority to do these things?
 - 29. And Jesus answered and said unto them.
- I will also ask of you one question, and answer me, and I
 - will tell you by what authority I do these things.
- 30. The baptism of John, was it from heaven, or of men? answer me.
- And they reasoned with themselves, saying,
- If we shall say, From
- heaven; he will say. Why
 - then did ve not believe him?
- 32. But if we shall say. Of
- men; they feared the people: for all *men* counted John,
 - that he was
- a prophet indeed.
- 33. And they answered and said unto Jesus.
 - We cannot tell. And Jesus
- answering saith unto them, Neither do I tell you by what
 - authority I do these things.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. And he began to speak unto them
- by parables. A certain man planted a vineyard,
 - and set an hedge about it,

and digged a place for the winevat and built a tower.

and let it out ■ to husbandmen.

and went into a far country.

2. And at the season

he sent to the husbandmen

a servant, that he might ■ receive from the husbandmen of

■ the fruit of the vineyard.

3. And they caught him, and

■ beat him, and sent him ■ away empty.

■ 4. And again he sent unto them ■ another servant; and at him they cast stones, and wounded *him* in the head.

and sent him away shamefully handled.

5. And again he sent another; and him they killed, and many others; beating some, and

killing some.

6. Having yet therefore one son, his wellbeloved.

he sent him also last unto them,

saying, They will reverence my son.

7. But those husbandmen

said among themselves.

This is the heir; come,

let us kill him, and the inheritance shall be our's.

8. And they took him, and killed him, and cast him out of the vineyard.

9. What shall therefore the lord of the vineyard do? he

Will come and

destroy the husbandmen, and will give the vineyard unto others.

> 10. And have ve not read this scripture; The stone which the builders rejected is become the head of the corner:

11. This was the Lord's doing, and it is marvellous in our eyes?

12. And they sought to lay hold on him.

but feared the people:

■ I for they knew that he had

spoken the parable against them:

and they left him, and went their way.

13. And they send unto him certain of the

Pharisees and of the Herodians.

to catch him in *his* words.

14. And when they were come,

they say unto him,

Master, we know that thou

art true, and carest for no man: for thou regardest not the person of men. but teachest the way of God in truth:

Is it lawful to give tribute to

Caesar, or not?

15. Shall we give, or shall we not give?

But he, knowing their hypocrisy, said unto them,

Why tempt ve me? bring me

a penny, that I may see it. 16. And they brought it. And

he saith unto them.

whose *is* this image and

superscription? And they

said unto him. Caesar's.

17. And Jesus answering

said unto them.

Render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's,

and to God the things that are God's.

And they marvelled at him.

18. Then come unto him the Sadducees,

which say there is no resurrection; and they asked him, saying,

19 Master, Moses wrote unto us.

If a man's brother die, and

leave his wife behind him,

and leave

no children, that his

brother should take his

wife, and raise up seed unto his brother.

20. Now there were seven

brethren: and the first took a wife, and dying left no seed.

21. And the second took her, and died, neither left he any seed: and the third likewise.

- 22 And the seven had her. and left no seed; last of all the woman died also
- 23 In the resurrection therefore, when they shall rise.
- whose wife shall she be of them? for the seven had her to wife.
- 24. And Jesus answering said unto them. Do ye not therefore err, because ye know not the scriptures, neither the power of God? 25 For
- when they shall rise from the dead.
- they neither marry, nor are given in marriage; but are as the angels

which are in heaven.

- 26. And as touching the
- dead, that they rise:
- have ve not read in the book of Moses, how in the bush God spake unto him, saving, I am the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob?
- 27. He is not the God of the dead, but the God
 - of the living:

ve therefore do greatly err.

- 28. And one of the scribes came, and having heard them reasoning together, and perceiving that he had answered them well.
- asked him. Which is the first commandment of all? 29. And Jesus answered him. The first of all the commandments is.
 - Hear O Israel:
- The Lord our God is one Lord.
- 30. And thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy
 - heart, and with all thy
- soul, and with all thy
- mind, and with all thy ■ (strength: this

is the first commandment.

- 31. And the second is like. namely this.
- Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

There is none other commandment greater than these.

- 32 And the scribe said unto him, Well, Master,
- thou hast said the truth: for
- there is one God: and there is none other but he
- 33 And to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding. and with all the soul. and with all the strength.
- and to love his neighbour as himself.
- is more than all whole
- burnt offerings and sacrifices. 34. And when
 - Jesus saw that he answered
- discreetly he
- said unto him.
- Thou art not far from the kingdom of God. And no man after that durst ask him any question.
- 35 And Jesus answered and
- said, while he taught in the temple. How say the scribes that
- Christ is the son of David?
 - 36. For David himself said by the Holy Ghost,
- The LORD said to my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand, till

I make thine enemies thy footstool.

- 37. David therefore himself
- calleth him Lord; and
- whence is he then
- his son? And the common people heard him gladly. 38. And he said
- unto them in his doctrine.
- Beware of the scribes.
- which love to go in long clothing, and love
- Ė salutations in the marketolaces.
 - 39. And the chief seats in the synagogues,
- and the uppermost rooms at feasts:

- 40. Which devour widows'
- houses, and for a pretence
- make long prayers: these shall receive greater
- damnation.
 - 41. And Jesus sat over against the treasury.
 - and beheld how the people cast money into the

- **treasury:** and many that were rich cast in much.
 - 42. And there came
- and she
- threw in two mites,
- 43. **And he** called *unto him* his disciples, and
- saith unto them.

Verily I say unto you, That

this poor widow hath cast more in, than all they which

have cast into the treasury:

- 44. For all they did cast in of their abundance; but she of her want did
- cast in all that she had, even all her living.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. And as he went out of the temple,
 one of his disciples saith
- Master, see what manner
- of stones and what
- **buildings** are here!
- 2. And Jesus answering
- said unto him,
- Seest thou these great
- buildings? there shall notbe left one stone upon
- another, that shall not be thrown down.
 - 3. And as he sat upon the mount of Olives over against the temple,
- Peter and James and John
 and Andrew asked him
- 4. Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign when all these things shall be fulfilled?
- 5. And Jesus answering them
 began to say, Take heed lest any man deceive you:
- 6. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ;
- and shall deceive many.

 7. And when ye shall hear of
- WOIS and rumours of wars,
 - be ye not troubled: for such things must needs be; but

- the end shall not be yet.
- 8. For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom
- against kingdom:

 and there shall be
- earthquakes in divers places,
- and there shall be
- famines and troubles:
- these are the beginningsof sorrows.
- 9. But take heed to yourselves:
- for they shall deliver you
 up to councils; and in the synagogues ye shall be beaten: and ye shall be brought before

rulers and kings

for my sake,

for a testimony against them.

- 10. And the gospel must first
 be published amona
- be published amonall nations.
- 11. But when they shall lead you, and deliver you up,
- take no thought beforehand what ye shall speak, neither do ye premeditate: but whatsoever shall be given you in that hour, that speak ye:
- for it is not ye that speak, but the Holy Ghost.
- 12. Now the brother shall
 - **betray the brother** to death, and the father the son;
- and children shall rise up against their parents, and shall
- cause them to be put to death.
- 13. And ye shall be hated of all men
- for my name's sake: but he that shall endure

unto the end, the same

- shall be saved.
- 14. But when ye shall see the abomination of
- desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing where it ought not, (let him that readeth understand,)
- then let them that be in Judaea
- flee to the mountains:
- 15. And let him that is on the housetop not go down into
 - the house, neither enter therein, to

take any thing out of his house: 16. And let him that is in the field not turn back again for to take up

his garment.

17. But woe to them that are

with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

18. And pray ye that your flight be not

in the winter.

19. For in those days shall be affliction, such as was not from the beginning of the creation

> which God created unto this time. neither shall be.

20. And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved:

> but for the elect's sake, whom he hath chosen, he hath shortened the days.

21. And then

if any man shall

say to you, Lo.

here is Christ; or, lo, he is there:

believe him not:

22. For false Christs and false prophets

shall rise, and shall shew signs and wonders.

to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.

23. But take ye heed: behold, I have foretold you

all thinas.

24. But in those days,

after that tribulation, the sun snall be darkened, and

the moon shall not give her light,

25. And the stars of heaven shall fall, and the

powers that are in

heaven shall be

shaken.

26. And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the

clouds with great power and glory. 27. And then shall he send

his angels, and

shall gather together

his elect from the four winds, from the uttermost part of the earth to the uttermost part of heaven.

28. Now learn a parable of the fig tree: When her branch is vet tender, and putteth forth leaves.

ve know that

summer is near:

29. So ye in like manner, when ye shall see these

things come to pass,

know that it is nigh. even at the doors.

30. Verily I say unto you, that this generation shall not

pass, till all these

things be done.

31. Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words

shall not pass away.

32. But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no not the angels which are in heaven.

neither the Son. but the Father.

> 33. Take ye heed, watch and pray: for ve know not when the time is.

34. For the Son of Man is as a man taking a far journey,

who left his house, and

qave authority to his servants, and to every man his work, and commanded the porter to watch.

35. Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the

master of the house

cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cockcrowing, or in the morning:

36. Lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping.

37. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch.

CHAPTER 14

1. After two days was

the feast of

the passover.

and of unleavened bread:

and the chief priests and the scribes sought how

they might take him by craft, and

put *him* to death.

> 2. But they said, Not on the feast day, lest there be an uproar of the people.

3. And being in Bethany

in the house of Simon the leper, as he sat at meat.

there came a woman

- having an alabaster box of
- ointment of spikenard very precious; and she brake the box.
- and poured it on his head.
 - 4. And there were
- some that had indignation within themselves, and
- said. Why was this waste of the ointment made?
- 5. For it might have been sold

for more than three hundred pence,

and have been given to the poor.

And they murmured against her.

6. And Jesus said,

> Let her alone; why trouble ye her? she hath wrought a good

- work on me.
- 7. For ye have the poor with you
- always, and whensoever ye will ye may do them good:
- but me ye have not always.
 - 8. She hath done what she could:
 - she is come aforehand
- to anoint my body
- to the burying.
- 9. Verily I say unto you,
- Wheresoever this gospel shall be preached throughout the whole world.
- this also that she hath done
- shall be spoken of for a
- memorial of her. 10. And Judas Iscariot. one of the twelve.
- went unto the chief priests,
- to betray him unto them. ■ 11. And when they heard it,
- they were glad, and
- **promised** to give
- him money. And he sought how he might conveniently betray him.
- 12. And the first day of unleavened bread, when they killed the passover, his
- disciples said unto him. Where wilt thou that we

go and

prepare that thou mayest eat

- the passover? 13. And he sendeth forth two
- of his disciples, and saith unto them.
 - Go ye into the city, and there shall
- meet you a man bearina
- a pitcher of water:
- follow him.
- 14. **And** wheresoever he shall go in,
 - **SQY** ye to the goodman of the house, The Master saith.
 - Where is the
- guestchamber, where I
- shall eat the passover with my disciples?
- 15. And he will shew you a large upper room

furnished and prepared:

- there make ready for us.
 - 16. And his disciples went forth, and came into the city, and found as he had said unto them: and they made ready the passover.
- 17. And in the evening he cometh with the twelve.
 - 18. And as
- they sat and did eat. Jesus said, Verily I say unto you,
- One of you which eateth with me
- shall betray me. 19. And they began
- to be sorrowful, and
- to say
 - unto him one by one.
- Is it !? and another said, Is it !?
 - 20. And he answered and said unto them,
- It is one of the twelve,
- that dippeth with me in the dish.
- 21. The Son of man indeed goeth, as it is written of him: but
- woe to that man by whom the
- Son of man is betrayed!
- good were it for that man if he had never been born.
- 22. And as they did eat,
- Jesus took bread, and
- blessed, and brake it, and gave to them,
- and said, Take, eat:

this is my body.

23. And he took the cup, and when he had given thanks.

he gave it to them; and

they all drank of it.

24. And he said unto them.

This is my blood of the new testament.

which is shed for many.

25. Verily I say unto you,

I will drink no more of the fruit of the vine.

until that day that

I drink it new in the

kingdom of God.

26. And when they had sung an hymn, they went out into the mount of Olives.

27. And Jesus saith unto them.

All ve shall be offended because of me this night: for

it is written, I will smite the shepherd. and the sheep shall be scattered. 28. But after that I am risen, I will go before you into Galilee.

29. But Peter said unto him.

Although all shall be offended, yet will not I.

30. And Jesus saith unto him. Verily I say unto thee, That this day, even in

this night, before the cock crow fwice, thou shalt deny me thrice.

> 31. But he spake the more vehemently, If I should die with thee, I will not deny thee in any wise. Likewise also said they all.

32. And they came to a place which was named

Gethsemane: and he saith to his disciples.

Sit ye here, while

I shall pray.

33. And he taketh with him

Peter and James and John, and began to be sore amazed, and to be very heavy:

■ 34. And saith unto them,

■ My soul is exceeding

sorrowful unto death: farry ye here, and watch.

35. And he went forward

a little

and fell on the ground, and prayed that, if it were possible, the hour might pass from him.

36. And he said. Abba.

Father, all things

are possible unto thee;

take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt.

37. And he cometh, and findeth them sleeping, and

saith unto Peter, Simon, sleepest thou?

couldest not thou watch

one hour?

38. Watch ve and pray, lest ve enter into temptation. The spirit truly is ready, but the flesh is weak.

39. And again he went away, and prayed, and spake

the same words.

40. And when he returned.

he found them asleep

again, (for their eyes were heavy.) neither wist they what to answer him.

41. And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them.

Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough,

the hour is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners.

42. Rise up, let us go; lo,

he that betrayeth me is at hand.

43. And immediately, while he yet spake,

cometh Judas.

one of the twelve.

and with him a great

multitude with swords and staves. from the chief priests and the scribes and the elders.

44. And he that betrayed him had given them a token,

saying, Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he;

take him.

and lead him away safely.

45. And as soon as he was come,

he goeth straightway

to him, and

saith, Master, master; and

kissed him.

laid their hands on him, and

■ took him. ■ 47. And one of them that stood by

drew a sword, and smote a servant of the high priest,

and cut off his ear.

48. And Jesus answered and

said unto them,

Are ye come out, as against a thief,

with swords and with staves

■ to take me?

49. I was daily with you in the temple teaching.

and ve took me not:

but the scriptures must be fulfilled.

50. And they all forsook him, and

51. And there followed him a certain young man, having a linen cloth cast about *his* naked *body*; and the young men laid hold on him:

52. And he left the linen cloth, and fled from them naked.

 53. And they led Jesus away to the high priest: and with him were assembled all the chief priests and the elders and the scribes.

54. And Peter followed him afar off, even into the palace of the high priest:

and he sat with the servants, and warmed himself at the fire.

■ 55. And the chief priests and all the council

sought for witness against

Jesus to put him to death:

and found none.

56. For many bare false

witness against him,

but their witness agreed

■ **not** together.

57. And there arose certain, and bare talse witness against him, saying.

58. We heard him say, I will destroy this temple that is

made with hands,

and within three days I will build another made

■ without hands.

59. But neither so did their witness agree together.

60. And the high priest stood up in the midst, and

asked Jesus, saying,
 Answerest thou not

Answerest thou nothing? what is it which these

witness against thee?
61. But he held his peace.

and answered nothing.

Again the high priest asked

him. and said unto him.

Art thou the Christ.

the Son of the Blessed?

■ 62. And Jesus said, I am:

and ye shall see the Son of
 man sitting on the right
 hand of power, and

nand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.

63. Then the high priest rent his clothes, and saith, What need we any further witnesses?

64. Ye have heard the blasphemy: what think ye?

And they all condemned

him to be guilty of death.

■ 65. And some began to spit on him, and to cover his face, and

to buffet him, and to say unto him, Prophesy:

and the servants did

■ strike him

with the palms of their hands.

66. **And** as Peter was beneath in the palace, there cometh

one of the maids of the high priest:

67. And when she

saw Peter warming himself,

she looked upon him,

■ and said, And

■ | thou also

wast with Jesus of Nazareth.

68. **But he denied**, saying, I know not, neither understand I what thou sayest. And he went out into the porch;

- and the cock crew.
 - 69. And a maid saw him
 - again, and began to say to them that stood by.
- This is one of them.
- 70. And he denied it again. And a little after.
- they that stood by said again to Peter.
- Surely thou art one of them: for thou art a Galilaean, and thy
- speech agreeth thereto. 71. But he began to curse and to swear.
- saying, I know not this man of whom ve speak.
- 72. And the second time the cock crew. And Peter
- called to mind the word
- that Jesus said unto him. Before the cock crow twice, thou shalt deny me thrice.
- And when he thought thereon.
- he wept.

CHAPTER 15

1. And straightway in the morning the chief priests

> held a consultation with the elders and scribes.

- and the whole council, and bound Jesus,
- and carried him away. and delivered him
- to Pilate.
- 2. And Pilate asked him
- Art thou the King of the
- Jews? And
- **he** answering
- said unto him.
- Thou sayest it.
- 3. And the chief priests
- accused him of many things: but he answered nothing.
- 4. And Pilate asked him again, saving, Answerest thou nothing? behold how many things they witness against thee.
- 5. But Jesus yet
- answered nothing: so that Pilate marvelled.
- 6. Now at that feast he
 - released unto them

- one prisoner, whomsoever they desired.
- 7. And there was one named Barabbas, which lav bound with them that had made insurrection with him.
- who had committed
- murder in the insurrection.
 - 8. And the multitude crying aloud began to desire him to do as he had ever done unto them.
 - 9 But

- Pilate answered them, saving, Will ve that I release unto you the King of the Jews?
 - 10. For he knew that the chief priests had delivered him for envy.
 - 11 But the chief priests moved the people, that he should rather
- release Barabbas unto them
 - 12. And Pilate answered and said again unto them.
- What will ve then that I shall do unto him whom ye call
 - the King of the Jews? 13. And they cried out again.
- Crucify him. 14. Then Pilate said unto them,
- Why, what evil hath he done? And they cried out
- the more exceedingly. Crucify him.
- 15. And so Pilate.
- willing to content the people.
 - released Barabbas unto them.
- and delivered Jesus, when he had scourged him, to be crucified.
- 16. And the soldiers led him awav
- into the hall, called
- Praetorium: and they call together the whole band.
- 17. And they clothed him with purple, and platted a crown of thorns, and put it
 - about his head.
 - 18. And began to salute him, Hail, King of the Jews!
 - 19. And they smote him on the head with a reed, and did spit upon him, and bowing their knees worshipped him.

- 20. And when they had mocked him, they took off the purple from him, and put his own clothes on him, and
- led him out to crucify him.
 And they compel one
- Simon a Cyrenian, who passed by, coming out of the country, the father of Alexander and Rufus.
- to bear his cross.
- 22. And they bring him unto the place
- Golgotha, which is, being interpreted, The place of a skull.
- 23. And they gave him to drink wine mingled with myrrh:
- but he received it not.
- 24. And when they had
 crucified him, they parted
 his garments, casting lots
- upon them, what every man should take.
- 25. And it was the third hour, and they crucified him.
- 26. And the superscription
- of his accusation

 Was written over.
- THE KING OF THE JEWS.
 - 27. And with him they crucify
- two thieves; the one on his right hand, and the other on his left.
- 28. And the scripture was
 fulfilled, which saith, And
 he was numbered with
- the transgressors.
- 29. And they that passed by railed on him,
- wagging their heads, and saying, Ah, thou that destroyest the temple, and buildest it in three days,
- 30. Save thyself, and comedown from the cross.
- 31. Likewise also the chief priests mocking said
 among themselves with the scribes.
- He saved others; himself he cannot save.
 - 32. Let Christ the King of Israel descend now from the cross, that we may see and believe. And they that were crucified with him reviled him. 33. And when

- I the sixth hour was come.
- there was darkness over
- the whole land until the
- ninth hour.
- 34. And at the ninth hour
- Jesus cried with a loud voice, saying, Eloi, Eloi, Iama sabachthani? which is, being interpreted,
- My God, my God, why hast thou forsaken me?
 - 35. And some of them that stood by, when they heard *it*, said, Behold, he calleth Elias.
- 36. And one ran and filled a sponge full of vinegar, and put it on a reed.
- and gave him to drink,
- **saying.** Let alone:
- let us see whether Elias will come to
- take him down.

- 37. And Jesus cried with a
 - loud voice, and gave up the ahost.
- 38. And the veil of the temple was rent in twain
- from the top to the bottom.
- 39. And when the centurion, which stood over against him,
- saw that he so
- **cried** out, and gave up the ghost,
- he said, Truly this man was
- the Son of God.

 40. There were also women
- looking on afar off:
- among whom was
- | Mary Magdalene, and
- Mary the mother of James
 - the less and of
- Joses, and Salome;
- 41. **(Who** also, when he was in Galilee,
- followed him, and
- ministered unto him;)
 - and many other women which came up with him unto Jerusalem.
 - 42. And now when the even was come, because it was the preparation, that is, the day before the sabbath,
- 43. **Joseph** of Arimathaea,
- an honourable counsellor, which also waited for the kingdom of God, came, and

- went in boldly unto Pilate, and craved the
- body of Jesus.
 - 44. And Pilate marvelled if he were already dead: and calling unto him the centurion, he asked him whether he had been any while dead.
 - 45. And when he knew it of the centurion, he
- gave the body to Joseph. 46. And he bought fine linen. and took him down.
- and wrapped him in the linen. and laid him in a sepulchre which was hewn out of a rock.
- and rolled a stone unto the
- door of the sepulchre.
 - 47. And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses beheld where he was laid

CHAPTER 16

- 1. And when the sabbath was past,
- Mary Magdalene, and
- Mary the *mother* of James. and Salome, had bought sweet spices, that they might come and
 - 2. And very early in the morning the first day of the week, they
- came unto the sepulchre at the rising of the sun.
- 3. And they said among themselves,

anoint him.

- Who shall roll us away the
 - stone from the door of the sepulchre?
- 4. And when they looked.
- they saw that the stone was rolled away:

for it was very great.

- And enterina
 - into the sepulchre.
- they saw a young man
 - sitting on the right side.
- clothed in a long white
- garment; and they were affrighted. 6. And he saith unto them.
- Be not affrighted: Ye seek Jesus
 - of Nazareth, which was crucified:
- he is risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.

- 7. But go your way.
- tell his disciples and Peter that he aoeth before you
- into Galilee: there shall ye
 - see him. as he said unto you.
- 8. And they went out quickly,
 - and fled from the sepulchre; for they trembled and were amazed: neither said they any thing to any man;
- for they were afraid.
- 9. Now when
- **Jesus** was risen early the first day of the week, he
- appeared first to Mary Maadalene, out of whom he had cast seven devils.
- 10 And she went and
- told them that had been with him.
 - as they mourned and wept.
- 11. **And they,** when they had heard that he was alive, and had been seen of her.
 - believed not.
- 12. After that he appeared in 8 another form unto two of
 - them, as they walked. and went into the country.
 - 13. And they went and
- told it unto

- the residue: neither
- believed they them.
- 14. Afterward he appeared unto the eleven
 - as they sat at meat.
- and upbraided them with their unbelief and hardness of heart,
- because they believed not them which had seen him after he was risen.
- 15. And he said unto them.
 - Go ye into all the world.
- and preach the gospel to every creature.
- 16. He that believeth
 - and is baptized
- shall be saved: but he that believeth not shall be damned.
 - 17. And these
- signs shall follow them that believe; In my name shall they cast out devils; they shall speak with

new tongues;

18. They shall take up serpents; and if they drink any deadly thing, it shall not hurt them; they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover.

- 19. So then after the Lord
- had spoken unto them,
- he was received up into heaven.

and sat on the right hand of God.

■ 20. And they

went forth, and

preached every where,
the Lord working with them, and

confirming the

word with signs following.

∎l Amen.

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING

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- IV. Christ's Journey to Jerusalem Including Resurrection of Lazarus and Conversion of Zacchaeus. Chapters 10—19
- V. Christ's Crucifixion, Resurrection, and Ascension. Chapters 20—24

CHAPTER 1

- 1 1. Forasmuch as many
 - have taken in hand to
- set forth in order
- a declaration of those
- things which are most surely
- believed amona us.
- 2. Even as they delivered
- them unto us.
- which from the beginning
- were eyewitnesses, and
 - ministers of the word: 3. It seemed good to me also,
 - having had perfect understanding of all things from the very first,
- to write unto thee in order.
- most excellent Theophilus.
- 4. That thou mightest know the certainty of those
- things, wherein thou hast been instructed.
- 5. There was in the days of Herod, the king of Judaea,
- a certain priest named
- **Zacharias**, of the course of Abia: and his wife was of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was
- Elisabeth.
- 6. And they were both
- righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless.
- And they had no child. because that
- Elisabeth was barren, and they both were now
- well stricken in years.
- 8. And it came to pass, that while he executed the
- priest's office before God in the order of his course,
 - 9. According to the custom of the priest's office.
- his lot was to burn incense ■ when he went into the
- temple of the Lord.
- 10. And the whole multitude of the people
- were praying without at the time of incense.
- 11. And there appeared unto him
 - an angel of the Lord standing on

- the right side of the altar of incense.
- 12. And when Zacharias
- saw him, he was troubled, and
- fear fell upon him.
 - 13. But the angel said unto him.
 - Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard: and
 - thy wife Elisabeth shall
 - bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.
 - 14. **And** thou shalt have joy and gladness: and
 - many shall rejoice at his birth.
 - 15. For he shall be great in the sight of the Lord, and shall drink neither wine nor strong drink:
 - and he shall be
 - filled with the Holy Ghost. even from his mother's womb.
 - 16. And many
 - of the children of Israel
 - shall he turn to the Lord their God.
 - 17. And he shall go before him in the spirit and power
 - of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just;
 - to make ready a people prepared for the Lord.
 - 18. And Zacharias said unto the angel.
 - Whereby shall I know this? for I am an old man, and my wife well stricken in years.
 - 19. And the angel answering
 - said unto him.

- I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God:
- and am sent to speak unto thee, and to shew thee
 - these glad tidings.
- 20. And, behold, thou shalf
- be dumb, and not able to speak, until the day that these things shall be performed,
- because thou believest not
- my words, which shall be fulfilled in their season.
- 21. And the people waited for Zacharias, and
- marvelled that he tarried

- so long in the temple.
- 22 And when he came out. he could not speak unto them; and
- they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple:
- for he beckoned unto them. and remained speechless.
 - 23. And it came to pass, that, as soon as the days of his ministration were accomplished, he departed to his own
- 24. And after those days his wife Elisabeth conceived, and hid herself five months.

saving.

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25. Thus hath the Lord dealt with me in the days wherein he looked on me. to take away my reproach among men.

- 26. And in the sixth month the angel
- Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named
- Nazareth.
- 27. To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin's
- name was Marv. 28. And the angel

came in unto her, and

- said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee.
- blessed art thou among women.
- 29. And when she saw him. she was troubled at his
- saying, and cast in her mind what manner of
- saluration this should be.
- 30. And the angel said
- Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour
- with God
- 31. And, behold.
 - thou shalt conceive in thy womb.
- and bring forth a son, and shall call his name JESUS.
- 32. He shall be great, and shall be
- called the Son of the
- Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David:

- 33. And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and
- of his kingdom there shall be no end.
- 34. Then said Mary
- unto the angel. How shall this be, seeing I know not a man?
- 35. And the angel answered and said unto her.
- The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the
- Highest shall overshadow thee therefore also
- that holy thing

- which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God
- 36. And. behold, thy cousin
- Elisabeth, she
 - hath also conceived

a son in her old age: and this is the sixth month with her. who was called barren

- 37. For with God nothing shall be impossible.
- 38. And Mary said, Behold the handmaid of the Lord:
- be it unto me according to
- thy word. And the angel departed from her.
 - 39. And Mary arose in those days.
- and went into the hill country with haste, into a city of Juda:
- 40. And entered into the house of Zacharias.
- and saluted Elisabeth.
- 41. And it came to pass, that,
- when Elisabeth heard the 8 salutation of Mary, the
 - babe leaped in her womb; and Elisabeth was filled
 - with the Holy Ghost:
- 42. And she spake
 - out with a loud voice, and said,
- Blessed *art* thou amona women.
 - and blessed is the fruit of thy womb.
- 43. And whence is this to me, that the mother of my Lord
 - should come to me?

- 44. For, lo, as soon as the voice of thy salutation sounded in mine ears, the babe leaped in my womb for joy.
 45. And blessed *is* she that believed: for there shall be a performance of those things which were told her from the Lord.
- 46. And Mary said, My soul
 doth magnify the Lord,
 47. And my spirit hath
- rejoiced in God
 - my Saviour.

48. For he hath regarded the low estate of his handmaiden: for, behold,

- from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed.
 - 49. For he that is mighty hath done to me great things; and holy *is* his name.
- 50. And his mercy is on them that fear him

from generation to generation.

- 51. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.
- 52. **He hath** put down the mighty from *their* seats, and
- exalted them of low degree.

53. He hath filled the hungry with good things:

- and the rich he hath sentempty away.
 - 54. He hath holpen his servant Israel, in remembrance of *his* mercy;
 - 55. As he spake to our fathers, to Abraham, and to his seed for ever.
- 56. And Mary abode with her about three months,

and returned to her own house.

- 57. Now Elisabeth's full time
 Came that she should be delivered:
- and she brought
- forth a son.

 58. And her neighbours
 - and her cousins heard how the Lord had shewed great mercy upon her; and they
- rejoiced with her.

59. And it came to pass, that

- on the eighth day theycame to circumcise the
- | child; and they

- called him Zacharias,
- 60. And his mother answered and
- said, Not *so;* but he shall be called John.
 - 61. And they said unto her, There is none of thy kindred that is called by this name.
- 62. And they made signs to
- his father, how he would
- have him called.
- 63. And he asked for a
 - writing table, and wrote, saying,
- His name is John.
 And they marvelled all
- 64 And his mouth was
- opened immediately, and his tongue loosed,
- and he spake,
- and praised God.
- 65. And fear came on all that dwelt round about them: and all
- these sayings were noised abroad throughout
- all the hill country of
 - Judaea.
 - 66. And all they that heard *them* laid *them* up in their hearts, saying,
- What manner of child shall
 - this be! And the hand of the Lord was with him.
- 67. **And** his father
- Zacharias was filled with the Holy Ghost, and
- prophesied, saying,
- God of Israel;
- for he hath visited and redeemed his people,
- 69. And hath raised up an
- horn of salvation for us in the house of his servant David;
- 70. As he spake by the mouth of his holy prophets, which have
- been since the world began:
 71. That we should be
- saved from our enemies, and from the hand of all that hate us;
 - 72. To perform the mercy promised to our fathers, and to remember

his holy covenant:

73. The oath which he sware to our father Abraham.

74. That he would grant unto us.

that we being delivered out of the hand of our enemies

might serve him

ای without fear.

■ 75. In holiness and

righteousness before him,

all the days of our life.

76. And thou, child,

shalt be called the prophet of the Highest: for thou

shalt go before the face of

the Lord to prepare

his ways:

77 To give knowledge of

salvation unto his people

by the remission of their sins.

> 78. Through the tender mercy of our God: whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us.

79. To give light to them that sit

in darkness and

in the shadow of death.

to guide our feet into the way of peace.

80. And the child grew, and

waxed strong in spirit, and was in the deserts till the day of

■ his shewing unto Israel.

CHAPTER 2

1. And it came to pass in those days, that

there went out a decree

■ from Caesar Augustus that

all the world should be taxed.

> 2. (And this taxing was first made when Cyrenius was governor of

3. And all went to be taxed, every one

into his own city.

4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee, out of the city of Nazareth, into Judaea.

unto the city of

David, which is called

Bethlehem: (because he was of the house and lineage of David:)

5. To be taxed with Mary his espoused wife.

being great with child.

6. And so it was, that,

while they were

there, the days were accomplished that

she should be delivered.

7 And she

brought forth her

firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes.

and laid him in a manger:

because there was no room for them in the inn.

8. And there were in the same country

shepherds abiding in the field.

keeping watch over their flock by night.

9. And, lo, the angel of the

Lord came upon them, and the alory of the Lord shone round about them; and they

were sore afraid.

10. And the angel said unto them.

Fear not: for, behold,

I bring you good tidings of great joy.

which shall be to all people.

11. For unto you is born this day in the city of David

a Saviour.

which is Christ the Lord.

12. And this shall be a sign unto you;

Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes,

lying in a manger.

13. And suddenly

there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising

God, and saying,

14. Glory to God in the

highest, and on earth peace, good

will toward men.

> 15. **And** it came to pass, as the angels were gone away from them into heaven.

the shepherds said

one to another,

Let us now go even unto Bethlehem,

and see this thing which is come to pass,

which the Lord hath made

known unto us.

16. And they came with haste, and found Mary, and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger.

■ 17. And when they had seen it,

■ they made known abroad

the saying which was

told them concerning

this child.

18. And all they that heard it wondered at those things which were told them by the shepherds.

19. But Mary kept all these things, and pondered them in her heart.

20. And the shepherds

 returned, glorifying and
 praising God for all the things that they had heard and seen, as it was told unto them.

21. And when eight days
 were accomplished for the circumcising of the child,
 his name was called
 JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was

JESUS, which was so named of the angel before he was conceived in the womb.
 22 And when the days of her

22. And when the days of her purification according to the law of Moses were accomplished,

they brought him to
 Jerusalem, to present him
 to the Lord;

23. (As it is written in the law of the LORD, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;)

24. And to offer a sacrifice according to that which

is said in the law

■ Of the Lord,

A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

25. And, behold, there wasa man in Jerusalem, whose

name was Simeon; and the same man was just and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel: and the Holy Ghost was upon him. 26. And it was revealed unto him by the Holy Ghost, that he should not see death, before he had seen the Lord's Christ

27. And he came by the
 Spirit into the temple: and when the parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him after the custom of the law.

28 Then took he him up in
his arms, and blessed
God, and said,

29. Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace,

according to thy word:

30. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation,

31. Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;

32. A light to lighten the Gentiles, and the glory of thy people Israel.

33. And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those
 things which were spoken of him.

■ 34. And Simeon blessed them, and

■ said unto Mary his mother,

Behold, this *child* is set for the fall and rising again of

many in Israel; and for a sign which shall be spoken against;

35. (Yea, a sword shall pierce through thy own soul also,)

that the thoughts of many
hearts may be revealed.
36. And there was one Anna,

a prophetess, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Aser: she was of a great age, and had lived with an husband seven years from her virginity;

37. And she was a widow of about fourscore and four years,

which departed not from
the temple, but served God
with fastings and prayers
night and day.

■ 38. And she coming in that instant ■ gave thanks

likewise unto the Lord,

and spake of him to all

them that looked for

redemption in Jerusalem.

39 And when they had performed all things according to the law of the Lord.

they returned into Galilee.

to their own city Nazareth. 40 And the child grew, and

waxed strong in spirit, filled with wisdom: æ i

and the grace of God was upon him.

> 41. Now his parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the passover.

42. And when he was twelve vears old, they went up to Jerusalem

after the custom of the feast.

43. And when they had fulfilled the days, as they returned, the child Jesus tarried behind

in Jerusalem:

and Joseph and his mother knew not of it.

44. But they, supposing him to have been in the company.

went a day's journey; and thev

sought him among their kinsfolk and acquaintance.

45. And when they

found him not, they turned back again to Jerusalem, seeking him.

= 1 46. **And** it came to pass, that

after three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the doctors.

■ both hearing them,

and asking

them questions.

47. And all that heard him were astonished at his understanding and answers.

48. And when they saw him,

they were amazed: and his

mother said unto him.

Son, why hast thou thus dealt with us?

behold, thy father and

■ I have sought

■ thee sorrowing.

49. And he said unto them.

How is it that ye sought me?

wist ve not that I must be about my

Father's business?

50. And they understood not the saying which he spake unto them.

51 And he went down with them, and came

to Nazareth, and was

subject unto them: but his mother kept all these

savings in her heart.

52. And Jesus increased in wisdom and stature, and in

favour with God and man.

CHAPTER 3

1. Now in the fifteenth year

of the reign of Tiberius

Caesar, Pontius Pilate being governor of Judaea, and Herod being tetrarch of Galilee, and his brother Philip tetrarch of Ituraea and of the region of Trachonitis, and Lysanias the letrarch of Abilene.

2. Annas and Caiaphas being the high priests.

the word of God came unto

John the son of Zacharias

in the wilderness.

And he came into all the country

about Jordan, preaching the baptism of repentance

for the remission of sins:

4 As it is written in the book of the words of Esaias the prophet, saying,

The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye

the way of the Lord,

make his paths straight.

5. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be brought low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways shall be made smooth:

6. And all flesh shall see the

salvation of God.

7 Then said he to the multitude that came forth

to be baptized of him.

O generation of vipers,

who hath warned you to flee from the

wrath to come?

- 8. Bring forth therefore
- fruits worthy of repentance. and begin not to say within vourselves. We have Abraham to our father:
- for I say unto you, That God is able of these stones to raise up children unto Abraham.
 - And now also the axe is laid unto. the root of the trees:
- every tree therefore which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast
- into the fire. 10. And the people asked him, saying,
- What shall we do then?
- 11. He answereth and saith unto them.
- He that hath two coats. let him
- impart to him that hath none: and he that hath meat,
- let him do likewise. 12. Then came also
- publicans to be baptized. and said unto him,
- Master, what shall we do? 13. And he said unto them.
- Exact no more than that
- which is appointed you.
- 14. And the soldiers likewise demanded of him, saving, And
- what shall we do? And he said unto them.
- Do violence to no man, neither accuse any falsely; and be
- content with your wages. 15. And as the people were
- in expectation, and all men mused in their hearts of John. whether he were the Christ.
- or not:
 - 16. John answered, saying unto them all. I indeed baptize you with water; but
- one mightier than I cometh. the latchet of
- whose shoes I am not worthy to unloose: he shall baptize you with the Holy

- Ghost and with fire:
 - 17. Whose fan is in his hand,
 - and he will throughly purge his floor, and will
- gather the wheat into his
- garner; but the chaff he will burn with fire unquenchable.
 - 18. And many other things in his
 - exhortation preached he unto the people. 19. But Herod the tetrarch.
- being reproved by him for Herodias
- his brother Philip's wife,
- and for all the
- evils which Herod had done.
- 20. Added yet this above all, that he shut up John in prison.
- 21. Now when all the people were baptized.
- it came to pass, that Jesus also being baptized, and praying, the
- heaven was
- opened.
 - 22. And the Holy Ghost descended in a bodily shape
- like a dove upon him, and
- a voice came from heaven, which
- said. Thou art my beloved Son; in thee I am
- well pleased.
 - 23. And Jesus himself began to be about thirty years of age, being (as was supposed) the son of Joseph. which was the son of Heli.
 - 24. Which was the son of Matthat. which was the son of Levi, which was the son of Melchi, which was the son of Janna, which was the son of Joseph.
 - Which was the son of Mattathias. which was the son of Amos, which was the son of Naum, which was the son of Esli, which was the son of Nagge,
 - 26. Which was the son of Maath, which was the son of Mattathias. which was the son of Semei, which was the son of Joseph, which was the son of Juda.
 - Which was the son of Joanna, which was the son of Rhesa, which

was the son of Zorobabel, which was the son of Salathiel, which was the son of Neri.

28. Which was the son of Melchi. which was the son of Addi, which was the son of Cosam, which was the son of Elmodam, which was the son of Er. 29. Which was the son of Jose, which was the son of Eliezer, which was the son of Jorim, which was the son of Matthat, which was the son of Levi. 30. Which was the son of Simeon. which was the son of Juda, which was the son of Joseph, which was the son of Jonan, which was the son of Eliakim.

31. Which was the son of Melea, which was the son of Menan, which was the son of Mattatha, which was the son of Nathan, which was the son of David 32. Which was the son of Jesse. which was the son of Obed, which was the son of Booz, which was the son of Salmon, which was the son of Naasson.

33. Which was the son of Aminadab. which was the son of Aram, which was the son of Esrom, which was the son of Phares, which was the son of Juda. 34. Which was the son of Jacob. which was the son of Isaac, which was the son of Abraham, which was the son of Thara, which was the son of Nachor.

35. Which was the son of Saruch. which was the son of Ragau, which was the son of Phalec, which was the son of Heber, which

was the son of Sala.

36. Which was the son of Cainan. which was the son of Arphaxad, which was the son of Sem, which was the son of Noe, which

was the son of Lamech.

37. Which was the son of Mathusala. which was the son of Enoch, which was the son of Jared, which was the son of Maleleel, which

was the son of Cainan.

38. Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God.

CHAPTER 4

1. And Jesus being full of the Holy Ghost returned from Jordan, and

was led by the Spirit into

the wilderness.

2. Being forty days tempted of the devil. And

in those davs he

did eat nothing: and when they were ended.

he afterward

hungered.

And the devil said unto him. If thou be the Son of God. command this stone that it be made bread

4. And Jesus answered him, saving. It is written. That man shall not live by bread

alone, but by every word of God.

> And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain. shewed unto

him all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.

And the devil said unto him. All this power will I give **thee**, and the glory of them: for that is delivered unto me: and to whomsoever I will I give it.

7. If thou therefore wilt worship me, all shall be thine. 8. And Jesus answered and said unto him

Get thee behind me. Satan:

for it is written.

Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shall thou serve.

9. And he brought him to Jerusalem, and set him

on a pinnacle of the temple, and said unto him,

If thou be the Son of God. cast thyself down from hence:

10. For it is written.

He shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee:

11. And in their hands

they shall bear thee up. lest at any time thou dash thy foot against a stone.

12. And Jesus

answering said unto him, It is

said, Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God.

13. And when the devil had ended all the temptation, he departed

from him for a season.

14. And Jesus returned

in the power of the Spirit

into Galilee: and there wentout a fame of him

through all the region round about.

15. And he taught in their

synagogues, being glorified of all.

16. And he came to

Nazareth,

where he had been brought up:

■ and, as his custom was, he

went into the synagogue on the sabbath day.

and stood up for to read.

17. And there was delivered unto him

■ the book of the prophet

Esaias. And when he had opened the book, he found the place

■ where it was written,

■ 18. The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he

is upon me, because ne

hath anointed me topreach the gospel

to the poor; he hath sent me

to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives,

and recovering of sight to
 the blind, to set at liberty
 them that are bruised.

19. To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.

20. And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister,

and saf down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him.

21. And he began to say unto them.

■ This day is this scripture

fulfilled in your ears.

22. And all bare him witness, and wondered at

the gracious words which proceeded

out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

23. And he said unto them, Ye will surely say unto me this proverb, Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.

24. And he said, Verily I say unto you.

No prophet is accepted in

his own country.

25. **But** I tell you of a truth, many widows were in

Israel in the days of Elias,

when the heaven was shut up three years and six months,

when great famine wasthroughout all the land;

26. But unto none of them was Elias sent, save unto

Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto

■ Q Woman that was a widow. ■ 27. And many lepers

were in Israel in the time of Eliseus the prophet:

and none of them was cleansed, saving Naan

cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.

■ 28. And all they in the synagogue,

when they heard these things,

were filled with wrath,

29. **And** rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and

■ led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built,

that they might cast him

■ down headlong.

■ 30. But he passing through the midst of them

the midst of them went his way,

■ 31. And came down

■ to Capernaum, a city of Galilee, and taught

them on the sabbath days.

■ 32. And they were

astonished at his doctrine:

for his word was with power.

■ 33. **And** in the synagogue there was

a man, which had a spirit of an unclean devil, and

an unclean devil, and
 cried out with a loud voice,

34. Saying, Let us alone;

what have we to do with thee,

thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou
come to destroy us? I know thee who
thou art: the

■ Holy One of God.

35. And Jesus rebuked him, saying.

Hold thy peace, and come out of him. And when the devil

out of him. And when the devil had thrown him in the midst,

he came out of him, and hurt him not.

36. And they were all amazed, and spake

among themselves,
saying, What a word is this!

for with authority and power

he commandeth the

unclean spirits, and they come out.

37. And the fame of him went out into every place of the country round about.

38. **And he** arose out of the synagogue, and

■ entered into Simon's

house. And Simon's wife's mother was taken with

a great fever;

and they be sought him for her.

39. And he stood over her, and rebuked the fever;

and it left her:

and immediately shearose and ministered

unto them.

40. Now when the sun was setting, all they that had

any sick with divers diseases

brought them unto him; and

he laid his hands on every one of them, and

■ healed them.

■ 41. And devils also came

out of many, crying out, and saying,

■ Thou art Christ the Son of God.

■ And he rebuking them

suffered them not to speak: for they knew that he was Christ.

■ 42. **And** when it was day,

he departed and went

into a desert place: and the

people sought him, and came unto him, and

came unto him, and stayed him, that he should not depart from them.

■ depart from them ■ 43. And he said

43. And he said unto them,
I must preach

■ I must preach the kingdom of God

to other cities also: for therefore am I sent.

44. And he preached in the synagogues of Galilee.

CHAPTER 5

1. And it came to pass, that,

as the people pressedupon him to hear the word of God,

■ he stood by the lake

of Gennesaret,

2. And saw two ships standing by the lake: but the fishermen were gone out of them, and were washing their nets.

3. And he entered into one of the ships, which was

Simon's, and prayed him that he would thrust out

a little from the land.

■ And he sat down, and

taught the people out of the ship.

4 Now when he had leftspeaking, he said unto

Simon, Launch out into the deep.

and let down your nets for a draught.

5. And Simon answering said unto him,

Master, we have toiled all
 the night, and have taken
 nothing: nevertheless at thy

word I will let down the net.

6. And when they had this done,

they enclosed a great multitude of fishes:

and their net brake

7. And they beckoned unto their partners, which were

in the other ship, that they should come and help them.

■ And they came, and

filled both the ships,

so that they began to sink.

- 8 When Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saving, Depart from me: for
- I am a
- sinful man. O Lord.
 - 9 For he was astonished. and all that were with him, at the draught of the fishes which they had taken:
- 10. And so was also James, and John, the sons of Zebedee, which
- were partners with Simon. And Jesus said unto Simon,
- Fear not; from henceforth thou shalt catch men.
- 11. **And** when they had brought their ships to land.
- they forsook all, and followed him.
- 12. And it came to pass, when he was in a certain city, behold
- a man full of leprosy: who seeing Jesus fell on his face, and
- besought him, saying, Lord, if thou will, thou canst
- make me clean.
- 13. And he put forth his hand, and touched him, saying, I will: be thou clean. And
- immediately
- the leprosy departed from him.
- 14. And he charged him to tell no man: but ao.
- and shew thyself
- to the priest, and offer for thy cleansing,
- according as Moses commanded, for a
 - testimony unto them.
 - 15. But so much the more went there a fame abroad of him:
- and great multitudes came together to hear, and to be healed by him
 - of their infirmities.
 - 16. And he withdrew himself into the wilderness, and prayed.
 - 17. And it came to pass on a certain day, as he was teaching, that there were Pharisees and doctors of the law sitting by, which were come out of

- every town of Galilee, and Judaea. and Jerusalem: and the power of the Lord was present to heal them.
- 18. And, behold, men brought in a bed a man
 - which was taken
- with a palsy: and they sought means to bring him in, and to lay him before him.
 - 19. And when they could not find
- by what way they might bring him in because of the multitude, they went upon
- the housetop, and let him down through the tiling
- with his couch into the midst before Jesus.
 - 20. And when he saw their
- faith, he said unto him. Man, thy sins are
- forgiven thee.
- 21. And the scribes and the
- Pharisees began to
- reason, saying. Who is this which speaketh blasphemies?
- Who can forgive sins, but God alone?
- 22. But when Jesus
- perceived their thoughts,
- **he** answering
- said unto them. What reason ye in your hearts?
- 23. Whether is easier, to say. Thy sins be forgiven
- thee: or to say. Rise up and walk?
- 24. **But** that ve mav
- know that the Son of man hath power upon earth
- to forgive sins, (he said
- unto the sick of the palsy,) o i I say unto thee.
- Arise, and take up thy couch,
- and go into thine house.
- 25. **And** immediately
- he rose up before them, and took up that whereon he lay.
 - and departed
 - to his own house, glorifying God.
- 26. And they were all
- amazed, and they glorified God, and were filled with fear, saying, We have seen strange things to-day.

27. And after these things he went forth, and saw a publican, named

Levi, sitting at the receipt of

custom: and he said unto him.

Follow me.

28. And he left all, rose up,

and followed him.

29. And Levi made him a great feast in his own house:

and there was a great company of publicans and of others that

sat down

with them.

30. But their scribes and Pharisees murmured

against his disciples.

saying, Why do ye eat and drink

with publicans and

sinners?

31. And Jesus answering

said unto them. They that are whole need not a physician; but they that are sick

32. I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance.

33. And they said unto him.

Why do the disciples of John fast often, and make prayers, and likewise the disciples of

the Pharisees: but thine eat and drink?

34. And he said unto them. Can ve make

the children of the

bridechamber fast, while

the bridegroom is with them?

35. But the days will come, when

the bridegroom shall be

taken away from them, and

then shall they fast in those days.

36. And he spake also a parable unto them:

No man putteth a piece of a new garment upon an old:

if otherwise, then both the new maketh a rent, and the piece that was taken out of

the new agreeth not with the old.

37. And no man putteth new wine into old bottles; else the new wine will burst the bottles, and be spilled, and the bottles shall perish.

38. But new wine must be put into new bottles; and both are preserved.

39. No man also havina

drunk old wine straightway desireth new:

for he saith. The old is better.

CHAPTER 6

1. And it came to pass on the second sabbath after the first, that he went through the corn fields: and his disciples plucked the ears of

corn, and did eat.

rubbing them in their hands.

2. And certain of

the Pharisees said unto them.

Why do ye that which is not lawful to do

on the sabbath days?

3. And Jesus answering them said.

Have ve not read so much as this.

what David did.

when himself was an hungred, and they which were with him;

4. How he went into the

house of God, and did take and eat the shewbread, and gave also

to them that were with him: which it is not lawful to eat

but for the priests alone?

5. And he said unto them. That

the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath.

6. **And** it came to pass also on another sabbath, that he entered into the synagogue and taught: and

there was a man whose right hand was withered.

7. And the scribes and Pharisees watched him.

whether he would heal on the sabbath day; that they

might find an accusation against him.

- 8. But he knew their thoughts, and said to the man which had the withered hand,
- Rise up, and stand forth in the midst. And he arose and stood forth.
- 9. Then said Jesus unto them. I will ask you one thing:
- Is it lawful on the sabbath
- days to do good, or to do evil? to save life, or to destroy it?
- 10. And looking round about upon them all.
- he said unto the man. Stretch forth thy hand.
- And he did so: and his hand was restored whole as the other
 - 11 And they

were filled with madness; and

- communed one with another
- what they might do to Jesus.
- 12. And it came to pass in those days, that
- he went out into a mountain to pray.
- and continued all night in prayer to God.
- 13. And when it was day, he
- | called unto him his disciples: and of them he
- chose twelve, whom also he named apostles:
- 14. Simon, (whom he also named Peter.)
- and Andrew his brother.
- James and John, Philip and Bartholomew,
- 15. Matthew and Thomas.
- James the son of Alphaeus.
- and Simon called Zelotes.
- 16. And Judas the brother of James, and Judas
- Iscariot, which also was
- the traitor.
 - 17. And he came down
 - with them, and stood in the plain, and the company of
- his disciples, and
- a great multitude of people out of all Judaea and Jerusalem, and from the sea coast of Tyre and Sidon. which

- came to hear him, and to be healed of their diseases:
- 18. And they that were vexed with unclean spirits; and they were healed. 19. And the whole
- multitude sought to touch
- him: for there went virtue out of him, and healed
- them all.
 - 20. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and
- said, Blessed be ye poor: for yours is the kingdom
 - of God.
- 21. Blessed are ye that hunger now:
- for ve shall be filled.
- Blessed *are ye* that weep
- for ve shall laugh.
- 22. Blessed are ye, when
- men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and
- shall reproach *you*,
- and cast out your name as evil. for the Son of man's sake. .
- 23. **Rejoice** ye in that day, and leap for joy: for, behold,
- vour reward *is* areat in
- heaven: for in the like manner did their fathers unto the prophets.
- 24. **But woe unto you that**
- are rich! for
- ve have received
- your consolation.
- 25. Woe unto you that
- are full! for
- ye shall hunger. Woe unto
- you that laugh now! for ve shall mourn and weep.
- 26. Woe unto you, when all
- men shall
- speak well of you! for so did their fathers to the
- false prophets.
- 27. But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies,
 - do good to them which hate you,
- 28. Bless them that curse you. and pray for them which
 - despitefully use you.
- 29 And unto him that

smiteth thee on the one cheek offer also the other; and him that

■ the other; and him that
■ taketh away

thy cloak forbid not to take thy coat also.

30. Give to every man that asketh of thee; and of him that

taketh away thy goods ask them not again.

■ 31. And as ye would that men should

do to you, do ye also to

■ them likewise.

■ 32. For if ye love them

which love you, what thank have ye? for sinners also love those that love them.

■ 33. **And** if ye

do good to them which do good to you, what

■ thank have ye?

for sinners also do even the same. 34. **And if ye lend to them of**

whom ye hope to receive,what thank have ye? for

sinners also lend to sinners, to receive as much again.

■ 35. But love ye your

enemies, and do good, and lend,

hoping for nothing again;and your reward shall be

greaf, and ye shall be the children of the Highest: for he is kind unto the unthankful and to the evil.

36. Be ye therefore merciful,

as your Father also is merciful.

37. Judge not, and ye shall not be judged:

■ condemn not,

and ye shall not be condemned:

forgive, and ye shall

■ be forgiven:

38. Give, and it shall begiven unto you; good

measure, pressed down. and shaken together.

and running over, shall men give into your bosom.

For with the same measure that ve mete withat

it shall be measured to you

again.

39. And he spake a parable unto them.

Can the blind lead the blind? shall they not both fall into the ditch?

40. The disciple is not above his master:

but every one that is perfect shall be as his master.

as his master.
41. And why beholdest thou

the mote that is in thy brother's eye, but perceivest not the beam that is

in thine own eve?

42. Either how canst thou say to thy brother, Brother, let me pull out the mote that is in thine eye, when thou thyself beholdest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite,

■ cast out first

■ the beam out

of thine own eye, and then shalt thou see clearly to

pull out the mote

in thy brother's eye.

43. For a good free bringeth not forth corrupt fruit; neither

■ doth a corrupt tree

bring forth good fruit.

44. For every tree is known

by his own fruit. For of thorns men do not gather figs, nor of a bramble bush gather they grapes.

■ 45. A good man

out of the good treasure of his heart
bringeth forth that which is
good; and an evil man
out of the evil treasure of his heart
bringeth forth

that which is evil: for of the abundance of the heart his mouth speaketh.

46. And why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?

47. Whosoever cometh to me, and

heareth my sayings,and doeth them.

I will shew you to whom he is like:
48. He is like a man which
built an house, and digged
deep, and laid the foundation

- on a rock: and when
- the flood arose, the stream beat vehemently upon that house.
- and could not shake it: for it was founded upon a rock.
- 49. But he that heareth, and doeth not, is like a man that without a foundation
- built an house upon the
- earth: against which
- the stream did beat
- vehemently, and immediately
- it fell; and the ruin of that house l∎l was great.

CHAPTER 7

- 1 Now when he had ended all his savings in the audience of the people.
- **he entered** into
- Capernaum.
- 2. And a certain centurion's servant, who was dear unto him.
- was sick, and ready to die.
- 3. And when he heard of Jesus, he sent
- unto him the elders of the Jews.
- beseeching him that he
- would come and
- heal his servant.
- 4. And when they came to
- Jesus, they be sought him instantly, saving. That he was worthy for whom he should do this:
 - 5. For he loveth our nation, and he hath built us a synagogue.
 - 6. Then Jesus went with them. And when he
- was now not far from the house, the centurion sent
- friends to him,
- saying unto him, Lord,
- trouble not thyself:
- for I am not worthy that thou shouldest enter
- under my roof:
 - 7. Wherefore neither thought I myself worthy to come unto thee:
- but say in a word, and my servant shall be healed.
 - 8. For I also am a man set under authority, having under me soldiers, and I say unto one, Go, and he goeth; and to another, Come, and he cometh:

- and to my servant. Do this. and he doeth it.
- 9. When Jesus heard these things.
- he marvelled
- at him, and turned him about.
 - and said unto the people that followed him, I say unto you,
- I have not found so great
- faith, no. not
- in Israel.
- 10. And they that were sent,
- returning to the house.
 - found the servant whole that had been sick
- 11. And it came to pass the day after, that
- he went into a city called
- **Noin:** and many of his disciples went with him, and much people.
- 12. Now when he came nigh
- to the gate of the city, behold.
- there was a dead man
- carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was
- a widow: and much people of the city was with her.
- 13. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her, and said unto her,
- Weep not.
 - 14. And he came and
- touched the bier: and they that bare him stood still.
- And he

- said. Youna man, I say unto thee,
 - Arise.
- 15 And he that was dead.
- sat up, and began to
 - **speak.** And he delivered him to his mother
- 16. And there came a fear on all: and
- they glorified God, saying,
- That a great prophet is
- risen up amona us:
 - and. That God hath visited his people.
- 17. And this rumour of him
- went forth
- throughout all Judaea, and throughout all
- the region round about.
- 18. And the disciples of

John shewed him of all these things.

19. And John calling unto him

■ two of his

disciples sent them to

Jesus, saving. Art thou he that should come? or look we for another?

20 When the men were

come unto him

they said, John Baptist hath sent us unto thee, saving,

Art thou he that should come? or look

we for another?

21. And in that same hour. he cured many of their

infirmities and plagues, and of

evil spirits; and unto many that were blind he

gave sight.

22. Then Jesus answering

said unto them.

■ | Go your way, and

tell John what things

ve have seen and heard:

how that the blind see, the lame walk. the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.

23. And blessed is he, whosoever shall not be offended in me.

24. And when the

■ messengers of John were ■ departed, he began to

speak unto the people

concerning John, What

went ye out into the wilderness for to see?

A reed shaken with the wind? 25. But what went ye out for to see?

A man clothed in soft raiment? Behold, they

which are gorgeously apparelled. and live delicately.

are in kings courts.

26. But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? Yea, I say unto you, and much more than a prophet.

27. This is he, of whom it is written.

■ Behold, I send my messenger before thy face.

which shall prepare thy

way before thee.

28. For I say unto you,

Among those that are

born of women there is not a greater prophet than

John the Baptist:

but he that is least in the

kingdom of God is greater than he.

29. And all the people that

heard him, and the publicans.

justified God, being

baptized with the baptism

of John.

30. But the Pharisees and lawyers

rejected the counsel of God against themselves,

being not baptized of him.

31. And the Lord said.

Whereunto then shall I liken the men of this generation? and to what are they like?

32. They are like unto

children sitting

in the marketplace.

and calling one to another, and saying, We have piped unto you,

and ye have not danced;

we have

mourned to you.

and ye have not wept.

33. For John the Baptist

came neither eating bread

nor drinking wine; and ye say, He hath a devil.

34. The Son of man is come eating and drinking; and ye say, Behold a gluffonous

man. and

a winebibber, a friend of

publicans and

sinners!

35. But wisdom is justified of all her children.

36. And one of the Pharisees desired him that he would

eat with him. And he went into the Pharisee's house, and sat down to meat

37. And, behold, a woman in the city.

which was a sinner,

when she knew that Jesus sat at meat in the Pharisee's house.

- brought an alabaster box of
- ointment.
- 38. And stood at his feet behind him weeping, and
- began to wash his feet with tears, and did
- wipe them with the hairs of her head, and kissed
- and anointed them with the cintment
- 39. Now when the Pharisee which had bidden him
- saw it, he spake within himself.
- saying, This man, if he were a prophet, would have
- known who and what manner of woman this is that toucheth him: for
- she is a sinner.
- 40. And Jesus answering
- said unto him.
- Simon. I have somewhat to say unto thee. And he saith. Master, say on.
- 41 There was a certain creditor which had two
- debtors: the one owed five hundred pence, and the
- other fifty.
- 42. And when they had nothing to pay.
- he frankly
- forgave them both.
 - Tell me therefore.
- which of them will love him most?
- 43. Simon answered and said. I suppose that
- he, to whom he forgave
- most. And he said unto him,
- Thou hast rightly judged.
- 44. And he
- turned to the woman, and
- said unto Simon, Seest
- thou this woman?
 - I entered into thine house.
- I thou gavest me no water for my feet: but she hath
- washed my feet with tears,

and wiped them with the

hairs of her head

- 45. Thou gavest me no kiss:
- but this woman
 - since the time I came in
- hath not ceased to kiss my feet.
 - 46. My head with oil thou didst not anoint: but this woman hath anointed my feet with ointment.
- 47. Wherefore I say unto thee,
- Her sins, which are many,
 - are forgiven; for she loved
- much: but to whom little is forgiven, the same loveth little.
 - 48. And he said unto her. Thy sins are forgiven.
- 49. And they that sat at meat with him
- beaan to say within themselves,
- Who is this that forgiveth
- sins also?
- 50. And he said to the
 - woman, Thy faith hath
- **I** saved thee; go in peace.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. And it came to pass afterward, that he went throughout every city and village, preaching and shewing the glad tidings of the kingdom of God: and the twelve were with him.
- 2. And certain women, which had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities.
- Mary called Magdalene, out of whom went seven devils.
 - 3. And Joanna the wife of Chuza
- Herod's steward, and Susanna,
- and many
- others, which
- ministered unto him of
- their substance.
- 4. And when much people were aathered together, and
 - were come to him out of every city,
- he spake by a parable:
- 5. A sower went out to sow his seed:
- and as he sowed,
- some fell by the way side; and it was trodden down.
- and the fowls of the air
- devoured it.
- 6. And some fell upon a

rock: and

as soon as it was sprung up.

it withered away.

because it lacked

moisture.

7. And some fell amona

thorns: and the thorns sprang up with it, and

choked it.

8. And other fell on good

ground, and sprang up.

and bare fruit an

hundredfold. And when he had said these things, he cried. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear,

9. And his disciples asked him, saying,

What might this parable be?

10. And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand

11. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

12. Those by the way side are they that hear; then cometh

the devil, and

taketh away the word out of their hearts, lest they

should

believe and be saved.

13. They on the rock are they, which, when they hear,

receive the word with joy:

and these

have no root.

which for a while believe.

and in time of temptation

fall away.

14. And that which fell

among thorns are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and

■ are choked with cares and ■ riches and pleasures of

■ | this life, and bring no fruit to perfection.

15. But that on the good

ground are they, which in an

honest and good heart, having heard

the word, keep it, and

bring forth fruit with patience.

16. No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth

if with a vessel.

or putteth it under a bed:

but setteth it on a

candlestick, that they which enter in

may see the light.

17. For nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest; neither any thing

hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.

18. Take heed therefore how ye hear:

for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and

whosoever hath not, from

him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have

19. Then came to him.

Ė his mother and his

brethren, and could not come at him for the press.

20. And it was told him by certain which said.

Thy mother and thy

brethren stand without, desiring to see thee.

21 And he answered and said unto them.

My mother and my brethren are these which hear the

word of God

and do it.

22. **Now** it came to pass on a certain day, that

he went into a ship

with his disciples:

and he

said unto them, Let us go over

unto the other side

of the lake. And they launched forth.

23. But as they sailed he fell asleep: and there came down

a storm of wind on the lake;

and they were filled with

water, and were in jeopardy.

24. And they came to him,

and awoke him.

saying, Master, master,

we perish. Then he arose, and

rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased. and there was a calm.

25. And he said unto them.

Where is your faith? And

they being afraid

wondered, saying

one to another.

What manner of man is this! for he commandeth.

even the winds and water. and they

obey him.

26. And they arrived

at the country of the Gadarenes,

> which is over against Galilee. 27. And when he went forth to land.

there met him out of the city

C certain

man, which had devils long time.

and ware no clothes, neither abode in any house, but in

the tombs.

28. When he saw Jesus, he cried out, and

fell down before him, and with a loud voice

said, What have I to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God

most high? I beseech thee.

torment me not.

29. (For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. ■ For oftentimes it had caught him: and

■ he was kept bound with

chains and in fetters;

and he brake the bands.

and was driven of the devil into the wilderness.)

30. And Jesus asked him, saving.

What is thy name? And he said, Legion: because many devils were entered into him.

> 31. And they be sought him that he would not command them to go out into the deep.

32 And there was

there an herd of

many swine feeding on the mountain:

and they besought him that he would suffer them

to enter into them

And he suffered them.

33. Then went

the devils out of the man, and

entered into

the swine: and the herd

ran violently down a steep place into the lake, and were choked.

34. When they that fed them

SOW what was done.

they fled, and went

and told it in the city

and in the country.

35. Then they went out to see what was done; and came to

Jesus, and found

the man, out of whom the devils were departed.

sitting at the feet of Jesus,

clothed, and in his right

mind: and they were afraid.

36. They also which saw it told them by what means

he that was possessed of the devils

was healed.

37. Then the whole multitude of the country of the Gadarenes round about

besought him to depart from them:

for they were taken with

great fear: and he went up into the ship, and returned back again. 38. Now the man out of whom the

devils were departed

besought him that he might be with him: but Jesus sent

him away, saying,

39. Return to thine own

house, and shew how great things God hath done unto thee.

And he went his way.

and published

throughout the whole city how great things Jesus

had done unto him.

40. **And** it came to pass, that,

when Jesus was returned, the people gladly received him: for they

were all

waiting for him.

41. And, behold.

there came a man named

Jairus, and he was

a ruler of the synagogue: and he fell down at Jesus' feet, and

besought him that he would come into his house:

42. For he had one only daughter,

about twelve years of age.

and she lay a-dying. But as he went the people thronged him.

43. And a woman having an issue of blood twelve

years, which had spent all her living upon physicians, neither could be healed of any.

44 Came behind him, and

touched the border of

his garment: and immediately her issue of

blood stanched. 45. And Jesus said. Who

touched me? When all denied. Peter and they that were with him

said, Master, the multitude throng thee and press thee.

and sayest thou. Who

touched me?

46. And Jesus said.

Somebody hath touched me: for

I perceive that virtue is gone out of me.

47. And when the woman

saw that

she was not hid, she came trembling.

and falling down before him, she

declared unto him before all the people

for what cause she had

louched him, and how she was healed immediately.

48. And he said unto her.

Daughter, be of good comfort:

thy faith hath made thee

whole; go in peace.

49 While he yet spake, there

cometh one from the ruler. of the synagogue's *house*,

saving to him.

Thy daughter is dead; trouble not the Master.

50. But when Jesus heard it.

he answered him, saving.

Fear not: believe only, and

she shall be made whole.

51. And when he came into the house, he suffered no man to go in, save Peter, and James, and John, and the father and the mother of the maiden.

52. And all wept, and bewailed her: but he said. Weep not; she is not dead, but

sleepeth.

53. And they laughed him to scorn, knowing that she was dead.

54. And he out them all out, and

took her by the hand. and called.

saying, Maid, arise.

55. **And** her spirit came again, and she grose straightway; and he commanded to give her meat.

56. And her parents were astonished: but he charged them that they should tell no man what was done.

CHAPTER 9

1. Then he called his twelve disciples together.

and gave them power and authority over all devils.

and to cure diseases.

2. And he sent them to **preach** the kingdom of God.

and to heal the sick. And he said unto them.

Take nothing for your

journey, neither staves, nor scrip, neither bread, neither money; neither have two coats apiece.

4 And whatsoever house ye enter into.

there abide, and thence depart.

5. And whosoever will not receive you.

when ye go out of that city,

shake off the very

dust from your feet for a

- testimony against them.
- 6. And they departed, and went through the towns.
- preaching the gospel, and ■ healing every where.
- 7. Now Herod the tetrarch heard of all that was done by him; and he
- was perplexed.
- **■** | **because** that
 - it was said of some.
- that John was risen from the dead:
 - 8. And of some, that Elias had appeared; and of others, that one of the old prophets was risen again.
- 9 And Herod said, John ■ have I beheaded: but who
- is this, of whom I hear such things?
- And he desired to see him. 10. And the apostles, when
- they were
- returned, told him
- all that
- they had done. And he took
- them, and went aside
- privately into a desert
- place belonging to the city called Bethsaida.
- 11. And the people, when they knew it.
- followed him: and he received them, and
- spake unto them of the kingdom of God, and
- healed them
- that had need of healing. 12. **And** when the day began to wear away,
- then came the twelve.
- and said unto him.
- Send the multitude away.
- I that they may go into the towns and country round about,
- and lodge, and get
- I victuals: for we are here in a desert place.
- 13. **But he said** unto them.
- Give ye them to eat. And ■ | they said, We have no more
- | but five loaves and two
- fishes; except we should go and buy meat for all this people.
 - 14. For they were about five

- thousand men. And he said to his disciples.
 - Make them sit down
 - by fifties in a company.
 - 15. And they did so, and made them all sit down
- 16. Then he took the five logves and the two fishes.
- and looking up to heaven, he
- blessed them, and brake.
- and gave to the disciples to
- set before the multitude.
- 17. And they did eat, and were all filled:
- and there
 - was taken up of fragments that remained to them
- twelve baskets.
- 18. And it came to pass,
- as he was alone
- praying, his disciples were
- with him: and he asked them, saving.
- Whom say the people that I am?
- - 19. **They** answering
- said, John the Baptist: but some say, Elias; and
- others sav. that
- one of the old
- prophets is risen again.
- 20. **He said** unto them.
- But whom say ye that I am?
- Peter answering said. The Christ of God.
- 21. And he
 - straitly charged them, and
- commanded them to tell no
- man that thing:
- 22. Saying, The Son of man must suffer many things, and be
 - rejected of the elders and chief priests and scribes.
- and be slain, and be
- raised the third day. And he said to them all.
- If any *man* will come after
- me, let him deny himself, and
- take up his cross daily,
- and follow me.
 - 24. For whosoever will save his life shall lose it: but whosoever will lose his life for my sake, the same

shall save it.

25. For what is a man advantaged, if he gain the whole world, and lose

himself, or be cast away?

26. For whosoever shall be ashamed of me

and of my words, of him

■ shall the Son of man be

ashamed, when he shall

come in his own glory, and in his Father's, and of the holy angels.

27. But I tell you of a truth, there be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the

28. **And** it came to pass about an

eight days after these sayings, he took Peter and John and

■ James, and went up

kingdom of God.

into a mountain to pray.

29. And as he prayed,

■ the fashion of his

countenance was altered, and his raiment

was white and glistering.

■ 30. And, behold, there ■ talked with him

two men, which were

Moses and Elias:

31. Who appeared in glory, and

spake of his decease

■ which he should

accomplish at Jerusalem.

32. But Peter and they that were with him

were heavy with sleep: and when they were awake, they

saw his glory, and the two men that stood with him.

33. And it came to pass,

■ as they departed from him,

Peter said unto Jesus, Master, it is good for us to be here; and

let us make three

tabernacles; one for thee,

and one for

■ Moses, and one for

Elias: not knowing what he said.

34. While he thus spake, there came

■ a cloud, and

overshadowed them:

and they feared as they entered into the cloud.

35. And there came a voice out of the cloud,

saying, This is my beloved
Son: hear him.

36. And when the voice was past, Jesus was found alone.

■ And they kept it close, and

told no man in those days any of those things

which they had seen.

37. **And** it came to pass, that on the next day.

when they were come down from the hill.

much people met him.
38. And, behold, a man

of the company

■ cried out, saying.

■ Master, I beseech thee.

look upon my son: for he is mine

■ only child.

39. And, lo, a spirit taketh him, and he suddenly crieth out;

■ and it

■ teareth him

that he foameth again, and

■ bruising him

hardly departeth from him.

40. And I besought thy

disciples to cast him out;

and they could not.41. And Jesus answering

said, O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall

I be with you, and suffer you?

■ Bring thy son hither.

42. And as he was yet a-coming,

the devil threw him down, and tare him.

And Jesus rebuked the

unclean spirit, and healed the child.

and delivered him again to his father.

43. And they were all amazed at the mighty

■ power of God.

But while they wondered every one at all things which

■ Jesus did, he

said unto his disciples,

44. Let these sayings sink

down into your ears: for the Son of man shall be delivered into the hands of men.

45. But they understood not this saying, and it was hid from them, that they perceived it not:

and they

feared to ask him of that saving.

46 Then there arose a reasoning among them. which of them

should be greatest.

47. And Jesus, perceiving the thought of their heart.

took a child, and set him by him, 48. And said unto them.

Whosoever shall receive this child in my name receiveth me:

> and whosoever shall receive me receiveth him that sent me:

for he that is least among you all, the same shall be great.

49. And John answered and

said. Master.

we saw one casting out devils in thy name; and we forbad him.

because he followeth not with us.

50. And Jesus said unto him.

Forbid *him* not: for he that is not against us is for us.

51. And it came to pass.

when the time was come that he should be received

up, he stedfastly

set his face to go to Jerusalem.

52. And sent messengers before his face: and they went, and entered

into a village of the Samaritans, to make ready for him.

■ 53. And they did not receive

him, because his face was as though he would go to Jerusalem.

54. And when his disciples James and John

■ | saw this, they said, Lord,

wilt thou that we command

fire to come down

from heaven, and consume

them, even as Elias did?

55. But he turned, and rebuked them, and said.

Ye know not what manner of spirit ve are of.

56. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's

lives, but to save them.

And they went to another village.

57. And it came to pass, that, as they went in the way.

a certain man said unto him.

Lord. I will follow thee whithersoever thou goest.

58. And Jesus said unto him. Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but

the Son of man hath not

where to lay his head. 59. And he said unto

another, Follow me. But he

said. Lord. suffer me first to go and

bury my father.

Jesus said unto him.

Let the dead bury their dead: but go thou

and preach the kingdom of God. È

61. And another also

said. Lord. I will follow thee:

but let me first go

bid them farewell, which **Gre** at home

at my house.

62. And Jesus said unto him.

No man, having put his hand to the plough, and

looking back, is fit for the

kingdom of God.

CHAPTER 10

1. After these things the LORD appointed other

seventy also.

and sent them

two and two before his face into every city and place,

whither he himself

would come.

2. Therefore said he unto them.

■ I The harvest truly is areat, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore

the Lord of the harvest.

that he would

send forth labourers into his harvest.

3. Go your ways: behold, I send you forth

as lambs among wolves. 4 Carry neither purse, nor

SCrip, nor shoes: and salute no man by the way.

5 And into whatsoever house ye enter, first say. Peace be to this house.

And if the son of peace be there. your peace shall rest upon it: if not, it shall turn to you again.

7. And in the same house remain, eating and drinking such things as they give: for the labourer is worthy of his hire.

Go not from house to house.

8. And into whatsoever city ■ | ye enter, and they receive you.

eat such

things as are

set before you:

9. And heal the sick that are therein.

and say unto them,

The kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

10. **But info whatsoever city** ye enter, and they receive **you not,** go your ways out into

the streets of the same, and

say,

11. Even the very dust of

your city, which cleaveth on us,

we do

wipe off against you:

notwithstanding be ye sure of this, that the kingdom of God is come nigh unto you.

12. But I say unto you, that it shall be more tolerable in that day for Sodom. than for that city.

13. Woe unto thee. Chorazin! woe unto thee. Bethsaida!

for if the mighty works had

been done in Tyre and Sidon, which have been done in you, they had a great while ago

repented.

sitting in sackcloth and ashes.

14. But it shall be more tolerable for Tyre and

Sidon at the judgment, than for you.

> 15. And thou, Capernaum, which art exalted to heaven, shalt be thrust down to hell.

16. He that heareth you heareth me; and he that despiseth you despiseth me; and he that despiseth me despiseth him that sent me.

17. And the seventy returned again with joy.

saying, Lord, even the devils are subject unto us through thy name.

And he said unto them. l beheld Satan as liahtnina fall from heaven.

19. **Behold, I give unto you** power to tread on serpents

and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy:

and nothing shall

by any means hurt you.

20. Notwithstanding in this

rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you; but rather rejoice.

because your names are written in heaven.

21. In that hour Jesus

rejoiced in spirit, and said. I thank thee. O Father.

Lord of heaven and earth. that thou hast hid these things from the wise and

prudent, and hast revealed them unto babes:

even so. Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

22. All things are delivered to me of my Father:

> and no man knoweth who the Son is, but the Father; and who the Father is, but the Son.

33. But a certain Samaritan.

as he journeyed, came

LUKE 10 and he to whom the Son will reveal him. 23. And he turned him unto his disciples. **and said** privately. ■ Blessed *are* the eyes which see the things that ye see: 24. For I tell you, that many prophets and kings have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ve hear, and have not heard them. 25. And, behold, a certain ■ lawyer stood up, and tempted him, saying, Master, what shall I do to inherit eternal life? 26. He said unto him. What is written in the law? how readest thou? 27. And he answering said. Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart. and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind: and thy neighbour as thyself. 28. And he said unto him, Thou hast answered right: this do, and thou shalt live. 29. But he, willing to justify himself, said unto Jesus, And who is my neighbour? 30. And Jesus answering said. A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho. and fell among thieves, which stripped him of his raiment. and wounded him. and departed. leaving him half dead. 31. And by chance there came down

when he saw him, he

and looked on him, and

when he was at the place, came

where he was: and when he saw him. he had compassion on him. 34. And went to him, and bound up his wounds, pouring in oil and wine, and set him on his own beast, and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. 35 And on the morrow when he departed. he took out two pence. and gave them to the host. and said unto him. Take care of him: and whatsoever thou spendest more. when I come again. I will repay thee. 36. Which now of these three, thinkest thou, was neighbour unto him that fell among the thieves? 37. And he said, He that shewed mercy on him. Then said Jesus unto him. Go. and do thou likewise. 38. Now it came to pass. as they went, that he entered into a certain village: and a certain woman named Martha received him into her house. 39. And she had a sister called Mary, which also sat at Jesus' feet, and heard his word. 40. But Martha was cumbered about much serving, and came to him, and said, Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to **a certain priest** that way: and serve alone? bid her passed by on the other side. therefore that she 32. And likewise a Levite. help me. 41. And Jesus answered and said unto her, Martha. Martha, thou art careful and passed by on the other side.

- troubled about many thinas:
- 42. **But** one thing is needful: and
- Mary hath chosen that good part, which shall not
- be taken away from her.

CHAPTER 11

- I 1. And it came to pass, that, as he was praying
- in a certain place, when he ceased,
- one of his disciples said unto him.
- Lord, teach us to pray,
- as John also taught his disciples. 2. And he said unto them.
- When ye pray, say, Our
- Father which art in heaven.
- Hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy
- will be done, as
- in heaven, so in earth.
- 3. Give us day by day
- our daily bread.
- 4. And forgive us our sins: for we also forgive
- every one that is indebted to us.
- And lead us not into
- temptation; but deliver us from evil.
- 5. And he said unto them.
- Which of you shall have a
- friend, and shall go unto him at midnight, and say unto him, Friend.
- lend me three loaves:
 - 6. For a friend of mine in his journey is come to me, and I have nothing to set before him?
- 7. And he from within
- I shall answer and say,
- Trouble me not: the door is now shut, and my children are with me in bed:
- I cannot rise and give thee.
- 8. I say unto you,
- Though he will not rise and give him.
- because he is his friend.
- | yet because of his
- importunity he will rise and give him as many as he needeth.
- 9. And I say unto you.

- Ask, and it shall be given
- seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be
- opened unto you.

 - 10. For every one that asketh receiveth; and he that seeketh findeth; and to him that knocketh it shall be opened.
- 11. If a son shall
- ask bread of any of you that is
 - a father, will he give him
- a stone? or if he ask
- a fish, will he for a fish **give** him
- a serpent?
 - 12. Or if he shall ask an egg, will he offer him a scorpion?
 - 13. If ve then, being evil. know how to
 - aive aood aifts

unto vour children:

- how much more
- shall *your* heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them
- that ask him?
- 14. And he was casting out a devil. and it was dumb.

And it came to pass.

- when the devil was gone out, the dumb spake:
 - and the people wondered.
- 15. But some of them said. He casteth out devils
- through Beelzebub the chief of the devils.
- 16. And others, tempting him,
- souaht of him
- a sign from heaven.
- 17. But he, knowing their thoughts,
- said unto them.

Every kingdom divided

against itself is brought to desolation: and a house divided against a house falleth.

- 18. If Satan also be divided against himself.
- how shall his kingdom
- stand? because ye say that I cast out devils through Beelzebub. 19. And if I by Beelzebub cast out
 - devils, by whom do your sons cast them out? therefore shall they be your

iudaes

20. But if I with the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God

is come upon you.

21. When a strong man armed keepeth his palace, his

goods are in peace:

22. **But when a stronger**than he shall come upon him, and

overcome him, he taketh

all his armour wherein he trusted, and divideth
 his spoils.

23. He that is not with me is against me: and he that gathereth not with me scattereth.

24. When the unclean spirit is gone out of a man,

he walketh through dry places,

seeking rest; and finding none,
 he saith, I will return unto
 my house whence I came out.

25. **And** when he cometh.

he findeth *it* swept and garnished.

■ 26. Then goeth he, and

taketh to him

seven other spirits

more wicked than himself; and they enter in, and dwell there:

and the last state of that man is worse than the first.

27. And it came to pass, as he spake these things,

woman of the company lifted up her voice, and

said unto him.

Blessed is the womb that
 bare thee, and the paps which thou hast sucked.

■ 28. **But he said,** Yea

rather, blessed are they

that hear the word of God, and keep it.

29. And when the people were gathered thick together, he began to say.

■ This is an

evil generation: they

I seek a sign; and there shall

no sign be given it, but the sign of Jonas the prophet.

30. For as Jonas was a sign unto the Ninevites, so shall
 also the Son of man be

to this generation.

31. The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with the men of this generation, and condemn them: for she came from the utmost parts of the earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

32. The men of Nineve shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for they

repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.

33. No man, when he hath lighted a candle, putteth it in a secret place, neither

under a bushel, but on a candlestick, that they which come in

■ may see the light.

■ 34. The light of the body is

■ the eye: therefore

when thine eye is single, thy
 whole body also is full of light;

but when thine eye is evil, thy body also is full of darkness.

35. Take heed therefore that the light which is in thee be not darkness.
36. If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light,

as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light.

■ 37. And as he spake,

Pharisee besought him to dine with him: and he went in, and sat down to meat.

38. And when the Pharisee saw it,

■ he marvelled that he had

■ not first

washed before dinner.

39. And the Lord said unto him,

Now do ye Pharisees make

of the cup and the platter: but your inward part is full

of ravening and

wickedness.

40. Ye fools, did not he that made that which is without make that which is within

also?

41. But rather give alms of such things as ve have; and, behold, all things are clean unto you.

42. But woe unto you, Pharisees! for ve tithe

> mint and rue and all manner of herbs, and pass over judgment and

the love of God:

these ought ve to have done. and not to leave the other undone. 43. Woe unto you. Pharisees! for

ye love the uppermost seats in the synagogues. and greetings in

the markets.

44. Woe unto you. scribes and Pharisees.

hypocrites! for ye are as graves which appear not, and the men that walk over them are not aware of them.

45. Then answered one of the lawyers, and said unto him,

Master, thus saying thou reproachest us also.

46. And he said, Woe unto you also, ye lawyers!

for ye lade men with

burdens grievous to be borne.

and ye yourselves

touch not the burdens with one of

your fingers.

47. Woe unto you! for

ye build the sepulchres of the prophets, and your

fathers killed them.

48. Truly ye bear witness that ye allow the deeds of your fathers: for they indeed killed them, and ye build their sepulchres. 49. Therefore also said the

wisdom of God.

I will send them prophets and apostles, and some of them

they shall slav and persecute:

50. That the blood of all the

prophets, which was shed from the foundation of the world.

may be required of this generation:

> 51. From the blood of Abel unto the blood of Zacharias which perished between the altar and the temple: verily I say unto you. It shall be required of this generation.

52. Woe unto vou. lawvers! for ye have taken away the

key of knowledge:

ve entered not in yourselves. and them that were entering in ve hindered.

53. And as he said these

things unto them.

the scribes and the

Pharisees began to urge

him vehemently, and to provoke him

to speak of many things: 54. Laying wait for him, and

seeking to catch something out of his mouth.

that they might accuse him.

CHAPTER 12

1. In the mean time, when there were gathered together an innumerable multitude of people, insomuch that they trode one upon another,

he began to say unto his

disciples first of all.

Beware ve of the leaven of the Pharisees, which is

hypocrisy.

2. For there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed; neither hid,

that shall not be known.

Therefore whatsoever ve have spoken in darkness shall be heard in the light; and that which ye have spoken in the ear in closets shall be proclaimed upon the housetops.

4. And I say unto you my friends,

Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

5. But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear:

fear him, which

after he hath killed

hath power to cast into

hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him. 6. Are not five sparrows

sold for two farthings.

and not one of them

is forgotten before God?

7. But even the very

hairs of your head are all

numbered. Fear not therefore:

ve are of more value than many sparrows.

8. Also I say unto you,

Whosoever shall confess me before men, him shall the Son of man also

confess before the angels

9. But he that denieth me before men shall be denied before the angels of God.

10. And whosoever shall speak a word against the Son of man, it shall be

forgiven him:

but unto him that

blasphemeth against

the Holy Ghost it shall not be forgiven.

11. And when they bring you unto the synagogues, and unto

magistrates, and powers,

take ye no thought how or

what thing

ye shall answer.

or what ye shall say:

12. For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour

what ye ought

■ to say.

13. **And one** of the company

said unto him,

Master, speak to my

■ brother, that he divide the inheritance with me.

■ 14. And he said unto him. Man.

■ who made me a judge or a

■ | divider over you?

15. And he said unto them. Take heed, and

beware of covetousness: l for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of

the things which

he possesseth.

16. And he spake a parable unto them, saying,

The around of a certain

rich man brought

forth plentifully:

17. And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do. because

I have no room where

to bestow my fruits?

18. And he said, This will I do:

I will pull down my barns. and build greater;

and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

19. And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years:

take thine ease, eat, drink,

and be merry.

20. But God said unto him,

Thou fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee:

then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

21. So is he that layeth up treasure for himself.

and is not rich toward God.

22. And he said unto his disciples, Therefore I say unto you,

Take no thought for your

life, what ye shall eat: neither for the body,

what ye shall put on. 23. The life is more than

meat. and the body is more than

raiment.

24. Consider the ravens: for they neither sow nor reap;

which neither have storehouse nor barn: and

God feedeth them:

how much more

are ye better than the fowls?

25. And which of you with taking thought

can add to his stature

one cubit?

26. If ye then be not able to do that

thing which is least, why take ve thought for the rest?

27. Consider the lilies how they grow: they toil not,

they spin not: and

yet I say unto you, that

Solomon in all his glory

was not arrayed like one of these.

28. If then God so clothe the **Grass**, which is to day in the field. and to-morrow is cast into the oven; how much more will he

clothe vou. O ve of little faith? 29. And seek not ye what ye

shall eat, or what ye shall drink, neither be ye of doubtful

mind. 30. For all these things do the nations

of the world seek after; and vour Father knoweth that ve

have need of these things. 31. But rather seek ye the

kingdom of God; and all these things

shall be added unto you.

32. Fear not, little flock; for

it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom.

33. Sell that ye have, and give alms; provide vourselves

bags which wax not old.

a freasure in the heavens that faileth not.

where no thief approacheth, neither moth corrupteth.

34. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

> 35. Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning;

36. And ye yourselves like unto men that wait for their lord, when he will return from the wedding; that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.

37. Blessed are those servants.

whom the lord when he cometh shall find watching:

verily I say unto you, that he shall gird

himself, and make them to sit down to meat, and will come forth and serve them

38. And if he shall come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants.

39. And this know, that if the goodman of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched, and not have suffered his house to be broken through.

40. Be ye therefore ready also:

for the Son of man cometh at an hour

when ye think not.

41. Then Peter said unto him. Lord. speakest thou this parable unto us, or even to all?

42. And the Lord said.

Who then

is that faithful and wise steward, whom *his* lord

shall make ruler over his household, to give them their

> portion of meat in due season? 43. Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doina.

44. Of a truth I say unto you, that he will make him ruler over all that he hath

45. But and if that servant SQV in his heart.

My lord delayeth his comina: and shall beain

to beat the menservants and maidens, and

to eat and drink. and to be drunken:

46. The lord of that servant

will come in a day when he looketh not for him, and at an hour when he is not aware, and will cut him in sunder.

and will appoint him his

portion with the unbelievers.

47. And that servant, which knew his lord's will, and

prepared not himself, neither did according to his will,

shall be beaten

- with many stripes.
- 48. But he that knew not, and
- did commit
- things worthy of stripes, shall be begten with few
- **stripes.** For unto
- whomsoever much is
 - given, of him
- | shall be much required:

and to whom men have committed much, of him they will ask the more. 49. I am come to send fire on the earth; and what will I, if it be already kindled?

- 50. But I have a baptism to be baptized with; and how am I straitened till it be accomplished!
- 51. Suppose ye that I am come to give peace

on earth? I tell you,

■ Nay; but rather division:

52. For from henceforth there shall be five in one house divided, three against two, and two against three.

- 53. The father shall be divided against the son.
- and the son against the father;
- the mother against the
- daughter, and the daughter against the mother; the mother in law against her daughter in law, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.
- 54. And he said also to the people.
- When ye see a cloud rise
- out of the west, straightway
- ye say, There cometh a
- | shower; and so it is.

55. And when ye see the south wind blow, ye say, There will be heat; and it cometh to pass.

- 56. Ye hypocrites,
- ye can discern the face of the
- sky and of the
- earth; but how is it that
- ye do not discern this time?
 - 57. Yea, and why even of yourselves judge ye not what is right?
- 58. When thou goest with
- thine adversary to the magistrate,

as thou art in the way.

- give diligence that thou mayest
- be delivered from him;
- **lest he** hale thee to the judge, and the judge deliver thee to the officer, and the officer
- cast thee into prison.

59. I tell thee, thou shalt not depart thence,

- till thou hast paid the very
- last mite.

CHAPTER 13

■ 1. There were

present at that season

- some that told him of the
- Galilaeans, whose blood
 Pilate had minaled with
- their sacrifices.
- 2. And Jesus answering said unto them,
- Suppose ye that these
- Galilaeans were sinners above all the Galilaeans,
- because they suffered such things?
 - 3. I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.
- 4. Or those eighteen,
- upon whom the tower in Siloam fell.

and slew them, think ye

■ that they were sinners ■ above all men

that dwelt in Jerusalem?

- 5.1 tell you, Nay: but, except ■ 1 ve repent, ve shall all
- | ye repent, ye shall all ■ | likewise perish.
- 6. He spake also this
- parable; A certain *man*
- had a fig tree

planted in his vineyard;

- and he came and
- sought fruit thereon,
- and found none.
- 7. Then said he unto the
- dresser of his vineyard, Behold, these three years I come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and find none:
- cut it down;

why cumbereth it the ground?

■ 8. And he answering said

unto him Lord, let it alone this year till I shall dig about it, and

duna it:

9. And if it bear fruit, well: and

if not. then after that thou shalt cut it down.

10. And he was teaching

in one of the synagogues on the sabbath.

11 And behold there was

a woman which had a spirit of infirmity

eighteen years.

and was bowed together. and could in no wise lift up herself.

12. And when Jesus saw

her, he called her to him, and

said unto her.

Woman, thou art loosed from thine infirmity.

13. **And** he laid *his* hands on her: and immediately

she was made straight. and glorified God.

14. And the ruler of the synagogue

answered with indignation.

because that

Jesus had

healed on the sabbath day.

and said unto the people,

There are six days in which men ought to work: in them

therefore come and be healed, and not on the sabbath day.

15. The Lord then answered him, and said.

Thou hypocrite, doth not each one of you on the

sabbath loose his ox or his

QSS from the stall.

and lead him away

to waterina?

16. And ought not this

woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan hath bound, lo, these eighteen years,

be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?

17. And when he had said these things, all his adversaries were ashamed: and all the people rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by him.

18. Then said he, Unto what is the kingdom of God like? and whereunto shall I resemble it?

19. It is like a grain of

mustard seed, which a man took, and

cast into his garden; and it grew, and waxed a great free: and the fowls of the air lodged

in the branches of it.

20. And again he said, Whereunto shall I liken the kingdom of God? 21. It is like leaven.

which a woman took and

hid in three measures of meal, till the whole

was leavened.

22. And he went through the cities and villages, teaching, and journeying toward Jerusalem.

23. Then said one unto him Lord

are there few that be saved? And he said unto them.

24. Strive to enter in at the strait gate: for many,

I sav unto vou. will seek to enter in. and shall not be able.

25. When once the master of the house is risen up, and

hath shut to the door, and ye

begin to stand without, and to

knock at the door, saying, Lord.

Lord, open unto us; and he shall answer and say unto you, I know you not whence ye are:

26. **Then shall ye** begin to say. We have eaten and

drunk in thy presence, and thou hast taught in our streets.

27. **But he shall say,** I tell you, I know you not whence ye are;

depart from me, all ye workers of iniquity.

28. There shall be weeping

and gnashing of teeth,

when ve shall see Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob, and all the prophets, in the kingdom of God, and you yourselves thrust out.

- 29. And they shall come
 - from the east, and from the
- west, and from the
- north, and from the
- south, and shall sit down
- in the kingdom of God.
 - 30. And, behold, there are last which shall be first, and there are first which shall be last.
- 31. The same day there
- came certain of
- the Pharisees, saying
 - unto him, Get thee out, and
- depart hence:
- for Herod will kill thee.
- 32. And he said unto them.
- Go ve. and
- tell that fox, Behold,
- I cast out devils, and I do
- CUIES to-day and to-morrow.
- and the third day I shall
- be perfected.
- 33. Nevertheless I must walk to-day, and to-morrow,
 - and the day following:
- for it cannot be that a prophet perish out of
- Jerusalem.
- 34. O **Jerusalem**, Jerusalem, which killest the prophets, and stonest them that are sent unto thee:
- how often would I have gathered thy children
- together, as a hen doth gather her brood under her wings.
- and ve would not!
- 35. Behold, your house is left unto you
- desolate: and
 - verily I say unto you,
- Ye shall not see me, until
 - the time come when
- **ye** shall
- say, Blessed is
- I he that cometh
- in the
- name of
- the Lord.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. And it came to pass, as
- he went into the house of
- one of the chief Pharisees to eat bread
- on the sabbath
 - day, that they watched him.
- And, behold.
- there was a certain
- man before him
- which had the dropsy.
- 3. And Jesus answering
- spake unto the lawyers and Pharisees, saving,
- Is it lawful to heal on the sabbath day?
- 4. And they held their
- peace. And he took him, and
- healed him, and let him go;
 - And answered them, saying, Which of you shall have an ass or an ox fallen into a pit, and will not straightway pull him out on the sabbath day?
- 6. And they could not answer him again to these things.
- 7. And he put forth a parable to those which were bidden.
- when he marked how they
- chose out
- the chief rooms;
 - saving unto them.
 - When thou art bidden of any man
- to a wedding, sit not down
- in the highest room; lest a more honourable man
 - than thou
- be bidden of him:
- And he that bade thee and him
- come and say to thee,
- Give this man place: and
- thou begin with shame to
- take the lowest room.
- 10. But when thou art bidden. È
 - **go and sit** down
- in the lowest room: that when he that bade thee cometh,
- he may say unto thee,
- Friend, go up higher: then shall thou have worship
 - in the presence

- of them that sit at meat with thee.
 - 11. For whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased; and
- he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.
 - 12 Then said he
 - also to him that bade him.
- When thou makest a dinner or a supper.
- call not thy friends, nor thy brethren, neither thy kinsmen.
- nor thy
- rich neighbours; lest they also bid thee again, and
- a recompence be made
 - 13. But when thou makest a feast. call the poor, the maimed.
- the lame, the blind:
- 14 And thou shalt be blessed: for they cannot recompense thee:
- for thou shalt be
- recompensed at the
- resurrection of the just.
 - 15. And when one of them that sat at meat with him heard these things, he said unto him. Blessed is he that shall eat bread in the kingdom of God.
- 16. Then said he unto him.
- A certain
- man made a great supper. and bade many:
 - 17. And sent his servant
- at supper time to say to them that were bidden,
- Come; for all things are
- now ready. 18. And they all with one consent
- began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused
 - 19. And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. 20. And another said. I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.
- 21. So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master

of the house

being angry said to his servant.

- Go out quickly
- into the streets and lanes of the city.
 - and bring in hither
- the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.
 - 22. And the servant said.
 - it is done as thou
 - hast commanded, and vet there is room.
- 23 And the lord said unto the servant.
- Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in that my house may be filled.
- 24. For I say unto you,
- That none of those men which were
- bidden shall taste of my supper.
 - 25. And there went great multitudes with him: and he turned, and said unto them.
 - 26. If any man come to me, and hate not his father, and mother, and wife. and children, and brethren, and sisters, yea, and his own life also, he cannot be my disciple.
- 27. And whosoever doth not bear his cross, and come after me, cannot be
- my disciple. 28. For which of you. intending to build a tower,
 - sitteth not down
- first, and
- counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it.
- 29. Lest haply, after
- he hath laid the foundation, and is not able to finish it,
 - all that behold it begin to mock him, 30. Saving. This man began to build, and was not able to finish.
- 31. Or what king, going to make
 - WOI against another king, sitteth not down

- first, and
 consuleth wether he be
 able with ten thousand
 to meet him that cometh
 against him
 - with twenty thousand?

with twenty thousand?

- 32. Or else, while the other is yet a great way off,
- he sendeth an ambassage, and desireth conditions of
- peace.
 - 33. So likewise, whosoever
- he be of you
- that forsaketh not all that he hath, he
- cannot be my disciple.
- 34 Salt is good: but if the salt have lost his savour,

wherewith shall it be seasoned?

- 35. It is neither fit for the land, nor yet for the dunghill; but men
- | cast it
- Out. He that hath ears to hear, let him hear.

CHAPTER 15

- 1. Then drew near unto him all the publicans and sinners for to hear him.
- 2. And the Pharisees and
 scribes murmured, saying,
 This man receiveth sinners,
- and eateth with them.

 3. And he spake this
- parable unto them, saying,
- 4. What man of you,
- having an hundred sheep,
- if he lose one of them,
- **doth not** leave the ninety and nine in the wilderness, and
- go after that which is lost, until he find it?
- 5. **And** when he hath found it, he
- layeth it on his shoulders, rejoicing.
- 6. And when he cometh home, he
- calleth together his friends and neighbours, saying unto them,
- Rejoice with me; for I have
- found my sheep
 - which was lost.
 - 7. I say unto you, that likewise
- joy shall be in heaven over

one sinner that repenteth,

more than over ninety and nine just persons, which need no repentance.

- 8. Either what woman
 - | having ten pieces of
- silver, if she lose one
- piece, doth not light a candle, and sweep the house, and
- seek diligently till she find it?
 - 9. And when she hath found it, she calleth her friends and her neighbours together, saying, Rejoice with me; for I have found the piece which I had lost.
 - 10. **Likewise**, I say unto you,
- there is joy in the presence
 of the angels of
- God over one sinner
- that repenteth.
 11. And he said. A certain
- man had two sons:
- 12. And the younger of them said to his father.
- Father, give me the portion of goods that falleth to me.

And he divided unto them his living.

- 13. **And** not many days after
- the younger son
- gathered all together, and took his journey into a far
- country, and there wasted
- his substance with riotous living.
- 14. And when he had spent all,
- there arose a mighty
- famine in that land;
- and he began to
- | be in want. ■ | 15. And he went
- and joined himself
- to a citizen of that country;
 and he sent him into his fields
- to feed swine.
- 16. **And he** would fain have
- filled his belly with the
- husks that the swine did eat: and no man
- gave unto him.
- 17. And when he came to himself, he said, How many

hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and

I perish with hunger! 18. I will arise and

go to my father, and will

SQV unto him. Father. I have sinned

against heaven, and before thee. 19. And am no more worthy to be called thy son:

make me as one of thy hired servants.

20. And he grose. and came to his father.

But when he was yet a great way off, his father saw him,

had compassion, and ran. and fell on his neck.

and kissed him.

21. And the son said unto him. Father.

I have sinned against heaven. and in thy sight, and am no more worthy to be called thy son.

22 But the father said to his servants.

Bring forth the best robe. and put it on him;

and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet:

23. And bring hither the fatted calf, and kill it, and

let us eat, and be merry:

24. For this my son

was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.

And they began to be merry.

25 Now his elder son was in the field; and as he

came and

drew nigh to the house, he

heard music and dancing.

26. And he called one of the servants, and

asked what these

things meant.

27. And he said unto him.

Thy brother is come; and thy father hath killed the

fatted calf, because he hath received him safe and sound.

28. And he was angry, and would not go in: therefore came his father out, and entreated him.

29. And he answering

said to his father. Lo. these many years do I serve

thee. neither

transgressed I at any time

thy commandment: and vet thou never gavest me a kid,

that I might make merry with my friends:

30. **But** as soon as

this thy son was come.

which hath devoured thy living with harlots, thou

hast killed for him the

fatted calf.

And he said unto him.

Son, thou art ever with me, and all that I have is thine.

32. It was meet that

we should make merry, and be glad:

for this

thy brother was dead, and is alive again; and was lost, and is found.

CHAPTER 16

1. And he said also unto his disciples. There was a certain

rich man, which had a

steward: and

the same was accused unto him

that he had wasted -his goods.

2. And he called him, and

said unto him. How is it that I hear this of thee?

give an account of thy stewardship: for thou

mayest be no longer steward.

Then the steward said within himself, What shall I

do? for my lord taketh away from me the stewardship: I cannot dig; to beg I am ashamed

4. I am resolved what to do. that, when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.

So he called every one of his lord's debtors unto him.

- and said unto the first.
- How much owest thou unto my lord?
- 6. And he said. An hundred measures of oil. And he
 - said unto him.
 - Take thy bill.

and sit down quickly.

- and write fifty.
- 7. Then said he to another. And
- how much owest thou? And he said.
- An hundred measures of
- wheat. And he said unto him.
 - Take thy bill, and write fourscore.
- 8. And the lord commended the unjust steward.

because he had done wisely:

- for the children of this
- world are in their generation
- wiser than the children of light.
- 9. And I say unto you,
- Make to vourselves
- friends of the mammon of unrighteousness: that.
- when ye fail, they may
 - receive you

into everlasting habitations.

- 10. He that is faithful in that
- which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is
 - unjust in the least is unjust also in much.
- 11. If therefore ye have not been faithful

in the unrighteous mammon.

- who will commit to your ■ I trust the true riches?
 - 12. And if ye have not been faithful in that which is another man's, who shall give you that which is your own?
- 13. No servant can serve
- two masters: for either he will hate the one, and love the other; or else he will hold to the one, and despise the other.
- Ye cannot serve God and mammon.
- 14. And the Pharisees also, who were covetous.

- heard all these things:
- and thev
- derided him.
- 15. **And he said** unto them. Ye are they which justify yourselves before men: but
- God knoweth your hearts:
 - for that which is highly
- esteemed among men
- is abomination in the sight of God.
- 16. The law and the
- prophets were until John:
- since that time the kinadom of God is preached.
- and every man presseth into it.
- 17 And it is easier for
- heaven and earth to pass. than one tittle of the
- law to fail.
- 18. Whosoever putteth
- away his wife, and marrieth another,
 - committeth adultery:
- and whosoever marrieth
- her that is put away from her husband

committeth adultery.

- 19. There was a certain rich
 - man, which was clothed in purple and fine linen, and fared sumptuously every day:
- 20. And there was
 - Certain

- beggar named Lazarus,
 - which was
- laid at his gate, full of sores,
- 21. And desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell
- from the rich man's table:

moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

- 22. And it came to pass, that
- the beggar died, and was
 - carried by the angels
- into Abraham's bosom: the
 - rich man also died,
- and was buried:
- 23. And in hell he lift
- up his eyes, being
- in torments, and seeth
- Abraham afar off.
- and Lazarus in his bosom.

24 And he cried and said Father Abraham. have mercy on me, and

send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of

his finger in water, and ■ I

cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.

25 But Abraham said.

Son, remember that

thou in thy lifetime

receivedst thy good things.

and likewise

■ Lazarus evil thinas: but now he is comforted, and thou art tormented.

26. And beside all this.

between us and you

there is a areat aulf fixed:

so that they which would pass from hence to

you cannot; neither can they **DOSS** to us, that would come from

27. Then he said. I pray thee therefore, father, that thou wouldest

send him to my father's house:

28. For I have five brethren: that he may testify unto them.

lest they also come into

. I this place of torment.

29. Abraham saith unto him, They have Moses and the

prophets: let them hear them.

30 And he said.

Nav. father Abraham: but

if one went unto them

■ from the dead, they ■ | will repent.

31 And he said unto him.

■ If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will

they be persuaded, though

one rose from the dead.

CHAPTER 17

■ 1. Then said he unto the disciples. It is impossible but that ■ offences will come: but

woe unto him, through whom they come!

2. If were better for him.

that a millstone were hanged. about his neck, and

he cast into the sea, than that he should

offend one of these

little ones.

3. Take heed to yourselves: If thy brother trespass

against thee. rebuke him: and if he repent, forgive him.

4 And if he trespass against thee

seven times in a day, and seven times in a day turn again to thee, saving, I

repent: thou shalt

forgive him.

5. And the apostles said unto the Lord.

Increase our faith.

6. And the Lord said. If ve

had faith as a grain of

mustard seed, ye might

say unto this sycamine free. Be thou plucked

up by the root, and be thou planted in the sea: and it should obey you.

7. But which of you, having a servant plowing or feeding cattle, will say unto him by and by, when he is come from the field, Go and sit down to meat?

8. And will not rather say unto him, Make ready wherewith I may sup, and gird thyself, and serve me, till I have eaten and drunken; and afterward thou shalt eat and drink?

9. Doth he thank that servant because he did the things that were commanded him? I trow not.

10. So likewise ye, when ye shall have done all those things which are commanded you, say. We are unprofitable servants; we have done that which was our duty to do.

11. And it came to pass,

as he went to Jerusalem. that he passed

through the midst of

Samaria and Galilee.

12. And as he entered into a certain village,

there met him ten men that were lepers, which stood afar off: ■ 13. And they

lifted up their voices, and said, Jesus, Master,

■ have mercy on us.

■ 14. And when he saw them.

he said unto them,

■ Go shew yourselves unto ■ the priests. And

it came to pass, that,

as they went, they ■ were cleansed.

■ 15. And one of them.

when he saw that he was healed. ■ turned back, and

with a loud voice

■ glorified God.

■ 16. And fell down on his face

■ at his feet, giving him

■ I thanks: and he was a Samaritan.

17. And Jesus answering said. Were there not ten

cleansed? but

where are the nine?

18. There are not found that returned to give glory to God.

save this stranger.

19. And he said unto him.

Arise, go thy way:

thy faith hath made ■ I thee whole.

20. And when he was demanded of the

Pharisees, when the

■ kinadom of God

should come, he answered

them and said. The kingdom of God cometh not with observation:

21. Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold

■ the kingdom of ■ God is within you.

■ 22. And he said unto the

■ disciples, The days will come, when ye shall desire

■ to see one of the days of

the Son of man.

and ye shall not see it. 23. And they shall say to you, See here; or, see there; go not after them,

nor follow them. ■ 24. For as the lightning, that lighteneth out of the one part under heaven.

shineth unto the other part under heaven:

so shall also

the Son of man be

in his day.

25. But first must he suffer many things.

and be rejected of this generation.

26. And as it was

in the days of Noe, so shall

it be also

in the days of the Son of man.

27. They did eat, they

drank, they

married wives.

they were given in marriage.

until the day that Noe entered into

the ark, and the flood came, and

destroyed them all.

28. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded;

29. But the same day that

Lot went out of Sodom it

rained fire and brimstone

from heaven, and destroyed them all.

30. Even thus shall it be in the day

when the Son of man

is revealed.

31. In that day, he which

shall be upon the housetop.

and his stuff in the house.

let him not come down

to take it away: and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back.

Remember Lot's wife.

33. Whosoever shall seek to save his life shall lose it: and whosoever shall lose his life shall preserve it.

34. I tell you, in that night

there shall be two men

in one bed: the

one shall be taken, and the

■ other shall be

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■ Lleft.

- 35. Two women shall be grinding together; the one shall be taken, and the other left.
- 36. Two men shall be in the field: the one shall be taken, and the other left.
- 37. And they answered and
- said unto him.
- Where, Lord? And he said unto them.
- Wheresoever the body is. ■ thither will the eagles be
- **aathered** together.

CHAPTER 18

- 1. And he spake a parable unto them to this end.
- that men ought always to ■ | pray, and not to faint:
- 2. Saying, There was in a city ■ a judge, which feared not
- God, neither regarded man:
- 3. And there was
- a widow in that city; and she
- came unto him, saving.
- Avenge me of mine adversary.
- 4. And he would not for a while:
- **but** afterward he
- said within himself, Though I fear not God, nor regard man:
 - 5. Yet because this widow troubleth me.
- I will avenge her, lest by her continual coming she
- weary me.
- 6 And the Lord said.

Hear what the unjust judge saith.

- 7 And shall not God average his own elect,
- which cry day and night
- unto him, though he bear long with them?
 - 8. I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?
- 9. And he spake this
- parable unto certain which ■ I trusted in themselves
 - that they were righteous,
 - and despised others:
 - 10. Two men went

up into the temple

- to pray; the one
 - a Pharisee, and the other
- a publican.
 - 11. The Pharisee stood and praved thus with himself.
- • God, I thank thee, that I am
- not as other men

are, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even as this publican.

- 12. I fast twice in the week,
 - I give tithes of all that I possess.
- 13. And the publican. standing afar off,
- would not lift up so much as
 - his eves unto heaven, but smote upon his breast,
- sayina, God be
 - merciful to me a sinner.
 - 14. I tell you,
- this man went down
- to his house justified rather

than the other: for every one that exalteth himself shall be abased; and

- he that humbleth himself shall be exalted.
- 15. And they brought unto him also
- infants, that he would touch
- them: but when
- his disciples saw it, they
 - rebuked them.
- 16. But Jesus
 - called them unto him, and
- said. Suffer little children
- to come unto me. and forbid them not:
- for of such is the kingdom of God.
 - 17. Verily I say unto you,
- Whosoever shall not
- receive the kingdom of God
 - as a little
- child shall in no wise enter therein.
- 18. And a certain ruler
- asked him, saving, Good Master,
- what shall I do to inherit eternal life?
- 19. And Jesus said
 - unto him, Why callest thou me good? none is good, save one, that is, God.
 - 20. Thou knowest the

commandments.

Do not commit adultery.

Do not

kill. Do not

steal. Do not

bear false witness. Honour thy father and thy mother.

21. And he said. All these have I kept from my youth up.

22 Now when Jesus heard

these things. he said unto him.

Yet lackest thou one thing:

sell all that thou hast, and

distribute unto the poor. and thou shalt have

treasure in heaven, and come, follow me.

23. And when he heard this,

he was very

sorrowful: for he was very rich.

24. And when Jesus saw

that he was very sorrowful.

he said. How hardly shall

they that have riches enter into the kingdom of God!

25. For it is easier for a camel to go through a

needle's eye, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God.

26. And they that heard it said, Who then can

be saved?

27. And he said, The things which are

impossible with men are possible with God.

28. **Then Peter said.** Lo. we have left all, and

followed thee.

29. And he said unto them. Verily I say unto you,

■ There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or

brethren, or wife, or children, for the kingdom of

■ God's sake.

30. Who shall not receive manifold more

in this present time.

and in the world to come

■ life everlasting.

31 Then he took unto him. the twelve, and said unto them. Behold.

we go up to Jerusalem.

and all things that are written by the prophets concerning the Son of man

shall be accomplished.

32. For he shall be delivered unto the Gentiles.

and shall be mocked, and spitefully entreated, and spitted on:

33. And they shall scourge him, and

put him to death: and the third day he shall rise again.

34. And they understood none of these things; and this saving was hid from them, neither knew they the things which were spoken.

35. And it came to pass, that

as he was come night unto Jericho, a certain

blind man sat by the way side beaaina:

> 36. And hearing the multitude pass by, he asked what it meant. 37. And they told him, that Jesus of Nazareth passeth by.

38. And he cried, saving.

Jesus. thou son of David. have mercy on me.

39. **And they** which went before

rebuked him, that he should hold his peace; but he cried so much the more. Thou son of David. have mercy on me.

40. And Jesus stood, and commanded him to be

brought unto him: and when he was come near, he asked him,

41. Saying, What will thou that I shall do unto thee?

And he said, Lord, that I may receive my sight.

42. And Jesus said unto him.

Receive thy sight: thy faith hath saved thee.

43. And immediately he received his sight, and

followed him, glorifying God: and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise unto God.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. And Jesus entered and passed through Jericho.
- 2. And, behold, there was

a man

named Zacchaeus, which was

the chief among the

publicans, and he

was rich.

3. And he sought to see

Jesus who he was:

and could not for the press.

because he was little of stature.

4. And he ran before, and

climbed up into a

sycomore free to see him:

for he was to pass that way.

5. And when Jesus came to the place.

he looked up, and saw him.

and said unto him.

Zacchaeus, make haste, and

come down: for to-day

I must abide at thy house.

6. And he made haste, and

came down, and received him joyfully.

7. And when they saw it.

they all murmured, saying, That he was gone to be guest

with a man that is a sinner.

8. And Zacchaeus stood, and

said unto the Lord:

Behold, Lord, the

half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any

man by false accusation,

I restore him fourfold.

9. And Jesus said unto him.

This day is salvation come

to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham

10. For the Son of man is

come to seek and

to save that which

was lost.

11. And as they heard these things,

he added and

spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear.

12. He said therefore

A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself

a kinadom, and to return.

13 And he called his ten

servants, and

delivered them

ten pounds, and said unto them,

Occupy till I come.

> 14. But his citizens hated him, and sent a message after him, saying, We will not have this man to reign over us.

15. And it came to pass, that

when he was

returned, having received

the kinadom, then

he commanded these

servants to be called unto

him, to whom he had given the money, that he might know how

much every man had

agined by trading.

16. Then came the first,

saying, Lord, thy pound hath gained ten pounds.

And he said unto him.

Well, thou good servant:

because thou hast been

faithful in a very little.

have thou authority over ten cities.

And the second came.

saying, Lord, thy pound hath

gained five pounds.

19. And he said likewise to him.

Be thou also over

five cities.

20. And another came.

saying, Lord, behold,

here is thy pound, which I have kept laid up in a napkin:

21 For I feared thee.

because thou art an

austere man: thou takest up that thou layedst not down, and reapest that thou didst not sow

22. And he saith unto him, Out of thine own mouth will I judge thee,

thou wicked servant. Thou knewest that I was an austere man.

taking up that I laid not down, and reaping that I did not sow:

- 23. Wherefore then gavest not thou my money into the
- bank, that at my coming

I miaht have

required mine own with

usurv?

24. And he said unto them that stood by.

- Take from him
- the pound, and give it to him that hath ten pounds.

25. (And they said unto him, Lord, he hath ten pounds.)

- 26. For I say unto you,
- That unto every one which hath shall be given:

and from him that hath not, even that he hath shall be taken away from him.

- 27. But those mine enemies. which would not that I should reign over them.
- bring hither, and slay them before me.

28. And when he had thus spoken, he went before, ascending up to Jerusalem.

- 29. **And** it came to pass,
- when he was come nigh
- to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount called
- the mount of Olives, he sent ■ I two of his
- disciples.
- 30. Saying, Go ye into the village over against you; in the

which at your entering

ye shall find a colt tied, whereon vet never man sat: loose him, and

- bring him hither.
- 31. And if any man ask you, Why do ye loose him?

thus shall ve

- SQY unto him, Because
 - the Lord hath need of him.
 - 32. And they that were sent went their way, and found even as he had said unto them.
 - 33. And as they were loosing the colt, the owners thereof said unto them. Why loose ye the colt?

- 34. And they said. The Lord hath need of him.
- 35. And they brought him to Jesus:
 - and they
- cast their garments upon the colt, and they set Jesus thereon.
- 36. And as he went, they
- spread their clothes in the
 - And when he was come nigh. even now at the descent of the mount of Olives
- the whole multitude

of the disciples

- **began to** rejoice and
- praise God with a loud voice
- for all the miahty works that they had seen:

38. Saying, Blessed be the King that cometh in the name of the Lord: peace in heaven, and glory in the highest.

- 39. And some of the
- Pharisees from among the multitude
- said unto him, Master,

rebuke thy disciples.

- 40. And he answered and said unto them, I tell you that,
- if these should hold their peace, the stones would immediately
- cry out.
- 41. And when he was come near.
- he beheld the city, and wept over it,
- 42. Saying, If thou hadst
 - known, even thou, at least in this thy day,
- the things which belong
- unto thy peace! but now
- they are hid from thine eyes. 43. For the days shall come upon
 - thee, that
- thine enemies shall

cast a trench about thee, and compass thee round,

and keep thee in on every side,

- 44. And shall lay thee even with the ground,
 - and thy children within thee;
- and they shall not leave

in thee

- one stone upon another: because thou knewest not the time of
- thy visitation.
- 45. And he went into the temple, and began to cast
- out them that sold therein.
- and them that
 - bought:
- 46. Saying unto them,
- It is written, My house is the
- house of prayer: but ye
- have made it a den
 - of thieves
 - 47. And he taught daily in the temple. But
- the chief priests and the
- scribes and the chief of the people sought to destroy him,
 - 48. And could not find what they might do: for all the people were very attentive to hear him.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. And it came to pass, that on one of those days, as he taught the people in the temple.
- and preached the gospel,
- the chief priests and the scribes came

upon him with the elders. 2. And spake unto him,

- saying, Tell us, by what
- authority doest thou these
- things? or who is he that gave thee this authority?
- 3 And he answered and
- said unto them. I will also ask you one thing; and answer me:
- 4. The baptism of John, was
- it from heaven, or of men?
 - 5. And they reasoned with themselves.
- saying, If we shall say.
- From heaven; he will say, Why then believed ve
- him not?
- 6. But and if we say,
- Of men: all
- the people will stone us:

for they be persuaded that John was a prophet.

- 7. And they answered, that they could not tell
 - whence it was.
- And Jesus said unto them.
- Neither tell I you by what authority I do these things.
 - 9. **Then began he to speak** to the people
- this parable: A certain
- man planted a vineyard.
- and let it forth
- to husbandmen, and went into a far country
 - for a long time.
- 10. And at the season
- he sent a servant to the husbandmen.
- that they should give him of
- the fruit of the vineyard: but the husbandmen beat
- him, and sent him away empty.
- 11. And again he sent
 - another servant
- and they beat him also, and entreated him shamefully, and sent
- him away empty. 12 And again he sent a third: and they wounded
- him also, and cast him out.
- 13 Then said the lord of the vinevard. What shall I do?
- I will send my beloved son: it may be they will reverence him when thev see him.
- 14. But when the husbandmen saw him.
 - they reasoned

among themselves, saving, This is the heir: come.

- let us kill him, that the inheritance may be ours.
 - 15. So they cast him out of the vinevard, and killed him.
- What therefore shall the
- lord of the vineyard
- do unto them?
- 16. He shall come and
- destroy these
- husbandmen, and shall give the vineyard to others.
 - And when they heard it, they said, God forbid
- 17. And he beheld them, and

- said, What is this then that is written.
- The stone which the
- builders rejected, the same ■ is become the head of

the corner?

- 18. Whosoever shall fall upon that stone shall be broken; but on whomsoever it shall fall, it will grind him to powder.
- 19. And the chief
 - priests and the scribes

the same hour sought to lay hands on him; and they feared the people: for they

- perceived that he had
- **spoken** this parable
- against them.
- 20. And they watched

him, and sent forth spies, which should feign themselves just men,

- that they might take hold of
- his words, that
- so they might deliver him
 - unto the power and authority of the governor.
- 21. And they asked him. saving.
- Master, we know that thou savest and teachest rightly, neither acceptest thou the person of anv. but
- I teachest the way of
- God truly:
- 22. Is it lawful for us
- to give tribute unto Caesar. or no?
- 23. But he perceived their craftiness, and
- said unto them.
- Why tempt ve me?
- 24. Shew me a penny.
- Whose image and superscription hath it? They answered
 - and said.
- Caesar's.
- 25. And he said unto them.
- Render therefore
- | unto Caesar the thinas
- which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which
- be God's.
 - 26. And they could not take hold of his words before the people: and they

- marvelled at his answer. and held their peace.
- 27. Then came to him certain of
- the Sadducees, which deny that there is
- any resurrection:

and they asked him,

- 28. Sayina, Master, Moses wrote unto us.
- If any man's brother die.
- having a wife, and he die without children, that his
- brother should take his wife, and raise up seed
 - unto his brother.
 - 29 **There were** therefore
- seven brethren: and the first took a wife, and died without children.
 - And the second took her to wife. and he died childless.
- 31. And the third took her: and
- in like manner the seven
- also: and they
- left no children, and died.
- 32. Last of all the woman died also.
- 33 Therefore in the resurrection whose wife
- is she? for seven had her to wife.
- 34. And Jesus answering said unto them,
- The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage:
 - 35. But they which shall
 - be accounted worthy to

- obtain that world, and
- the resurrection from the dead.
- neither marry, nor are aiven in marriaae:
- 36. Neither can they die
- any more: for they are equal unto the angels;
- and are the children of
- **God.** being the children of the resurrection.
 - 37. Now that the dead are raised, even Moses shewed at the bush. when he calleth the Lord the God of Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob.
- | | 38. For he is not a God of the

dead, but of the living:

for all live unto him.

39 Then certain of

the scribes answering

said. Master.

thou hast well said.

40. And after that they durst not ask him any question at all.

41. And he said unto them.

How say they that Christ is David's son?

42 And David himself

saith in the book of Psalms.

The Lord said unto

my Lord. Sit thou on my right hand,

43. Till I make thine enemies thy footstool.

44. David therefore calleth

him Lord, how is he then his son?

45. **Then** in the audience of all the people

he said unto his disciples. 46. Beware of the scribes.

which desire to walk in long robes, and love greetings in the markets, and the highest seats in the synagogues, and the chief rooms at feasts:

47. Which devour widows'

houses, and for a shew make long prayers: the

same shall receive ■ greater damnation.

CHAPTER 21

1. And he looked up, and

saw the rich men casting

their gifts into the treasury.

2. And he saw also

Certain

poor widow casting in thither

two mites.

3. And he said. Of a truth

I say unto you, that

this poor widow hath cast ■ in more than they all:

4. For all these have of their abundance cast in

unto the offerings of God:

but she of her penury

hath cast in all the living

that she had.

5. And as some spake of the temple, how it was adorned with goodly stones and gifts,

he said.

6. As for these things which ye behold, the days will come, in the which

there shall not be left one stone upon another.

that shall not be thrown down.

And they asked him. saying, Master, but when shall these things be? and

what sian will there be when these things shall come to pass?

8. And he said, Take heed that ve be not deceived: for

many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ;

and the time draweth near:

QO ve

not therefore

after them.

9. But when ve shall hear of WQIS and commotions.

be not terrified: for these things must first come to pass:

but the end is not by and by. 10. Then said he unto them.

Nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against

11. And great earthquakes shall be in divers places.

and famines.

and pestilences; and fearful sights and areat signs shall there

be from heaven.

12. But before all these, they shall lay their hands on you, and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues, and into prisons, being brought before kings and rulers for my name's sake.

13. And it shall turn to you

for a testimony.

14. **Settle it** therefore in your hearts. not to meditate before what ve shall answer:

15. For I will give you

a mouth and

wisdom, which all your adversaries shall not be able to

- gainsay nor resist.
- 16. And ye shall be
- betraved both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends:
- and some of you
- shall they cause to
- be put to death.
 - 17. And ye shall be hated of all men
- for my name's sake.
- 18. But there shall not an hair of your head perish.
 - 19. In your patience possess ye your souls.
- 20. And when ve shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that
- the desolation thereof is niah.
- 21. Then let them which are
- in Judaea flee to the mountains: and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter thereinto.
- 22. For these be the days of vengeance, that all things which are written
- may be fulfilled.
 - 23. But woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck, in those days! for
- there shall be areat
- distress in the land, and wrath upon this people.
 - 24. And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations:
- and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles.
- until the times of the
- Gentiles be fulfilled.
- 25. And there shall be signs
- in the sun, and in the
- moon, and in the
- stars; and upon the earth distress of nations.
 - with perplexity; the sea and the waves roaring:
- 26. Men's hearts failing them
- for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth: for the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

- 27. And then shall they see the Son of man comina in a cloud with power and great glory.
- 28. And when these things
- come to pass, then look
 - **up**, and lift up your heads;
- for your redemption
- draweth niah.
- 29. And he spake to them a parable: Behold the fig.
 - free, and all the trees;
- 30. When they now shoot
- forth, ye see and
- know of your own selves
- that summer is now
- nigh at hand.
- 31. So likewise ve, when ve see these things come to pass,
- know ve
- that the kingdom of God is
- at hand.
 - 32. Verily I say unto you.
- This generation shall not
- pass away, till all
 - be fulfilled.
- 33. Heaven and earth shall pass away: but my words
- shall not pass away.
- 34. And take heed to vourselves.
- lest at any time
- your hearts be
- overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and
- cares of this life, and so
- that day come upon
 - you unawares.
 - 35. For as a snare shall it come on all them that dwell on the face of the whole earth.
- Watch ve therefore.
- and pray always,
- that ye may be accounted
- worthy to escape all these things that shall come to pass, and
- to stand before the Son
 - of man
 - 37. And in the day time he was teaching in the temple; and at night he went out, and abode in the mount that is called the mount of Olives.

38. And all the people came early in the morning to him in the temple, for to hear him.

CHAPTER 22

- 1 Now the feast of
- unleavened bread drew
- **nigh**, which is called the Passover.
- 2. And the chief
- priests and scribes sought how they might kill him;

for they feared the people.

- 3 Then entered Satan into Judas surnamed Iscariot.
 - being of the number of the twelve.
- 4. And he went his way.
- and communed with the
- chief priests and captains, how he might betray him
- unto them.
- 5. And they were glad, and covenanted to give
 - him money.
- 6. And he promised, and
 - sought opportunity to betray him unto them in the
 - absence of the multitude.
- 7. Then came the day of unleavened bread, when
- the passover must be killed.
- 8. And he sent Peter and John, saying, Go and prepare us the passover,

that we may eat.

- And they said unto him. Where wilt thou that we prepare?
- 10. And he said unto them, Behold, when ye are entered into the city. there shall a man meet you, bearing a pitcher of water; follow him into the house where he entereth in.
- 11. And ye shall say unto the goodman of the house. The Master saith unto thee, Where is the guestchamber, where I shall eat the passover with my disciples?
- 12. And he shall shew you a large upper room furnished: there make readv.
- 13. And they went, and found as he had said unto them; and they made ready the passover.
 - 14. And when the hour was come,

he sat down, and the twelve apostles with him.

15. And he said

unto them. With desire

- I have desired to eat this passover with you before i suffer:
 - 16. For I say unto you,
 - I will not any more eat
- until it be fulfilled in the kingdom of God.
- 17. And he took the cup, and gave thanks, and said.
 - Take this, and divide it among yourselves:
 - 18. For I say unto you,
- I will not drink of the fruit of the vine.
- until the kingdom of God shall come.
- 19. And he took bread, and gave thanks, and brake it, and gave unto them,
- saying, This is my body
- given for you: this do in remembrance of me.
 - 20. Likewise also the cup after supper.
- saying. This cup is the new testament in my blood.
- which is shed for you.
- 21. But, behold, the hand of him that betraveth me is Ù with me on the table.
- 22. And truly the Son of man
- qoeth, as it was determined: but woe unto that man by
- whom he is betrayed!
- 23. And they began to
- inquire among themselves.
- which of them it was that should do this thing.
- 24. And there was also a strife among them, which of them
- should be accounted the greatest.
- 25. And he said unto them, The kings of the Gentiles exercise lordship over them; and they that exercise authority upon them are

called benefactors

26. But ve shall not be so: but

- he that is areatest among you. let him be as the younger; and he
- that is chief, as he that doth serve.

27. For whether is greater, he that

- sitteth at meat, or he that serveth? is not he that sitteth at meat? but
- I am among you as he that serveth.
- 28. Ye are they which
- have continued with me in my temptations.
- 29. And I appoint unto
- vou a kinadom, as my Father hath appointed unto me;
- 30. That ye may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom.
- and sit on thrones
- judging the twelve tribes of Israel.
- 31. And the Lord said.
- Simon, Simon, behold,
- Satan hath desired to have
- **you**, that he may sift you as wheat: 32. But I have prayed for thee.
- that thy faith fail not:

and when thou art converted. strengthen thy brethren.

- And he said unto him.
- Lord. I am ready to go with thee, both into prison, and to death.
- 34. And he said, I tell thee. Peter, the cock shall not
- Crow this day.
- before that thou shalt thrice deny that thou knowest
- me. 35. And he said unto them, When I
 - sent you without purse, and scrip, and shoes, lacked ye any thing? And they said, Nothing.
 - 36. Then said he unto them, But now, he that hath a purse, let him take it, and likewise his scrip; and he that hath no sword, let him sell his garment, and buy one.
 - 37. For I say unto you, that this that is written must yet be accomplished in me, And he was reckoned among the transgressors: for the things

- concerning me have an end.
- 38. And they said, Lord, behold, here are two swords. And he said unto them. It is enough.
- 39. And he came

out, and went, as he was wont.

- to the mount of Olives: and his disciples also followed him.
 - 40. And when he was at the place, he said unto them, Pray that ye enter not into temptation.
- 41 And he was withdrawn
 - from them about a stone's cast.
- and kneeled down,
 - and prayed.
 - 42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing.
- remove this cup from me:
- nevertheless not my will. but thine, be done.
- 43. And there appeared an
- angel unto him
- from heaven,
- strenathenina him.
- 44. And being in an agony
- he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were
- great drops of blood
 - falling down

- to the ground.
 - 45. And when he rose up from prayer, and
- was come to his disciples,
- he found them sleeping for sorrow.
- 46. And said unto them,
 - Why sleep ve?
- rise and pray, lest ye enter into temptation.
- 47. **And** while he yet spake,
- behold a multitude, and he that was called
- Judas, one of the twelve,
- went before them, and
- drew near unto
- Jesus to kiss him.
- 48. But Jesus said unto him,
- Judas, betrayest thou the
- Son of man
- with a kiss?
 - 49. When they which were about him saw what would follow, they said unto

him. Lord, shall we smite with the sword?

- 50 And one of them
- smote the servant of the high priest, and cut off his
- riaht ear.
- 51 And Jesus answered and said. Suffer ve thus far. And he
- touched his ear, and healed him.
- 52 Then Jesus said

unto the chief priests, and captains of the temple, and the elders. which were come to him.

- Be ye come out.
- as against a thief, with
- swords and staves?

53. When I was daily with you in the temple, ve stretched forth no hands against me: but this is your hour, and the power of darkness.

- 54. Then took they him. and led him
- and brought him into the
- high priest's house. And Peter followed afar off.
- 55. And when they had
- kindled a fire in the midst of the hall, and were set down together.
- Peter sat down
- amona them.
- 56. But a certain maid
- beheld him as he sat by the fire, and earnestly looked upon him,
- and said, This man was also with him.
- 57. And he denied him, saying, Woman, I know him not.
- 58. And after a little while
- another saw him, and
- said, Thou art also of them.
- And Peter said, Man.
- I am not.

59. And about the space of one hour after

- another confidently
- **affirmed**, saying, Of a truth
- this fellow also
- was with him:

for he is a Galilaean.

- 60. And Peter said, Man.
 - I know not what thou
- sayest. And immediately.

while he vet spake.

- the cock crew.
- 61. And the Lord turned, and
 - looked upon Peter. And Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said unto him. Before the cock. crow, thou shalt deny me thrice.
- 62. And Peter went out, and
 - wept bitterly.
- 63. And the men that held Jesus mocked him.
 - and smote him.
- 64. And when they had
- blindfolded him, they
- struck him

on the face, and asked him, saying, Prophesy, who is that

- smote thee?
- 65. And many other things
 - blasphemously spake they aaainst him.
- 66. And as soon as it was day,
- the elders of the people and the chief priests and the scribes came together, and
- led him into their council, saying,
- 67. Art thou the Christ? tell us.
- And he said unto them,
- If I tell you, ye will
- not believe:
 - 68. And if I also ask you, ye will not answer me, nor let me go.
- 69. Hereafter shall the Son of man sit on the right hand
- of the power of God.
- 70. Then said they all. Art thou then the Son of
- God? And he said unto them.
- Ye say that I am.
- 71. And they said, What
 - need we any further
- witness? for we ourselves
- have heard of his
- own mouth.

CHAPTER 23

- 1. And the whole multitude of them arose, and
- led him unto Pilate.
 - 2. And they began to accuse him,
- saying, We found this

fellow perverting the nation, and forbidding to give tribute to Caesar, saying that he himself

is Christ a King. 3. And Pilate asked

him, saving,

Art thou the King of the

Jews? And he answered him and said. Thou savest it.

4. Then said Pilate to the chief priests and to the people.

I find no fault in this man. 5. And they were the more fierce, saying, He stirreth up the people, teaching

throughout all Jewry, beginning

from Galilee to this place. 6 When Pilate heard

> of Galilee, he asked whether the man were a Galilaean.

And as soon as he knew

that he belonged unto Herod's jurisdiction, he

sent him to Herod, who himself also was at Jerusalem at that time.

8. And when Herod saw Jesus, he was exceeding

glad: for he was desirous to see him of a long season.

because he had heard many things of him;

and he

hoped to have seen some

miracle done by him.

■ 9. Then he questioned with

him in many words;

but he answered him nothing.

10. And the chief priests and scribes stood and

vehemently accused him.

11. And Herod with his men of war set him at nought. and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and

sent him again to Pilate.

12. And the same day Pilate and Herod were made friends together: for before they were at enmity between themselves.

13. And Pilate, when he had ■ | called together

the chief priests and the rulers and the people.

14. Said unto them,

Ye have brought this man

as one that perverteth the

people: and, behold.

, having examined him before you. have found no fault in

this man touching those things whereof ve accuse

him:

15. No. nor vet Herod: for I sent you to him; and, lo, nothing worthy of death is done unto him.

16. I will therefore chastise him, and release him.

17. (For of necessity

he must release one unto them

at the feast.)

18. And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us

Barabbas:

19. (Who for a certain sedition made in the city,

and for

murder, was cast into prison.)

20. **Pilate** therefore.

willing to release Jesus. spake again to them.

21. But they cried, saying, Crucify him,

crucify him.

22. And he said unto them

the third time, Why, what evil hath he done? Thave

found no cause of death in him: I will therefore chastise him, and let him go.

And they were instant

with loud voices, requiring that he might be crucified. And the voices of them and of the chief priests

prevailed.

24. And Pilate gave sentence that it should be

as they required.

25. And he released unto them him that for sedition and murder was cast into prison, whom they had desired: but he

- delivered Jesus totheir will.
- 26. **And** as they led him away, they laid hold
- Lupon one
- Simon, a Cyrenian, coming out of the country, and on him
- they laid the cross, that he might bear it after Jesus.
 - 27. **And** there followed him

■ a great company

of people, and of women, which also bewailed and

- lamented him.
- 28. **But Jesus** turning unto them
- said, Daughters of Jerusalem,
- weep not for me, but weep for yourselves.

and for your children.

- 29 For, behold, the days
- are coming, in the
- which they shall say,
 - Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bare, and the paps which never gave suck.
- 30. Then shall they begin to
- say to the mountains, Fall on us; and to the hills.
- Cover us.
 - 31. For if they do these things in a green tree, what shall be done in the dry?
- 32. And there were also two other.
- malefactors, led with him
- to be put to death.

 33. And when they were
- Come to the place, which is called
 - Calvary, there
- they crucified him, and the
- malefactors, one
- on the right hand,
- **and** the other on
- the left.
- 34. Then said Jesus, Father, forgive them; for they know
 not what they do. And they
- nor what they do. And they
 parted his raiment, and
 cast lots.
- 35. And the people
 - stood beholding. And the rulers also with them
 - derided him, saying, He

saved others; let him save himself, if he be Christ,

the chosen of God.

- 36. And the soldiers also mocked him, coming to him, and
- offering him vinegar,
 - 37. And saying, If thou be the king of the Jews, save thyself.
- 38. And a superscription also was written over him in letters of Greek, and Latin, and Hebrew,
- THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- 39. And one of the
- malefactors which were hanged
- railed on him,
 saying, If thou be Christ,
 save thyself and us.
- save thyself and us.

 40. But the other answering
- rebuked him, saying, Dost not thou fear God, seeing thou
 - art in the same condemnation?
 - 41. And we indeed justly; for
- we receive the due reward
 of our deeds: but this man
 hath done nothing amiss.
- 1 Indin done nothing amiss.2 And he said unto Jesus.
- Lord, remember me when thou comest into
 thy kingdom.
 - 43. And Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee,
- To-day shalt thou be with me in paradise.
- 44. **And** it was about
- the sixth hour, and there was a darkne
 - there was a darkness
 - until the ninth hour.
 - 45. And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple
- was rent in the midst.

- 46. And when Jesus had cried with a loud voice, he said.
- Father, into thy hands I commend my spirit:
- and having said thus,
- he gave up the ghost.
- 47. Now when the centurion
- SQW what was done,
 - he glorified God, saying,
 Certainly
- this was a righteous man.

- 48. And all the people that came together to that sight, beholding the things which were done, smote their breasts, and returned.
- 49. And all his acquaintance, and the women that followed him from Galilee, stood afar off, beholding these things.
- 50. **And**, behold, *there was* a man named
- Joseph, a counsellor; and he was a good man, and a just:
 - 51. (The same had not consented to the counsel and deed of them;) he was
- of Arimathaea, a city of the Jews: who also himself waited for the kingdom of God.
- 52. This *man* went unto Pilate, and begged the body of Jesus.
- 53. **And he** took it down, and
- wrapped it in linen, and
- laid if in a sepulchre that was hewn in stone, wherein never man before was laid.
 - 54. And that day was the preparation, and the sabbath drew on.
- 55. And the women also, which came with him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the sepulchre, and how his body was laid.
 - 56. And they returned, and
- prepared spices and ointments; and rested the sabbath day according to the commandment

CHAPTER 24

■ 1. Now upon the first day of■ the week,

very early in the morning,

- they came unto the
- sepulchre, bringing the
- spices which they had prepared, and certain others with them.
- 2. And they found the stone
- rolled away from the sepulchre.
- 3. And they entered in, andfound not the body of the
- Lord Jesus.
 - 4. And it came to pass, as they were much perplexed thereabout, behold,
- two men stood by them in shining garments:

- 5. **And** as they were afraid, and bowed down *their* faces to the earth, they
- said unto them,
- Why seek ye the living among the dead?
- 6. He is not here, but is risen: remember how he
- spake unto you when he was yet in Galilee,
- 7. Saying, The Son of man must be delivered into the
 - hands of sinful men, and be
- crucified, and the third day
- rise again.

 8. And they remembered
- his words,

 9. And returned
 - from the sepulchre,
- and told all these things unto the eleven, and to all the rest.
 - 10. It was Mary Magdalene and Joanna, and Mary the mother of James, and other women that were with them, which told these things unto the apostles.
- 11. And their words seemed to them
- as idle tales, and they believed them not.
- 12. Then arose Peter, and ran unto the sepulchre; and
- stooping down, he
- beheld the linen clothes laid by themselves.
 - and departed, wondering in himself at that which was come to pass.
 - 13. And, behold, two of them
 - went that same day
 - to a village called
 - Emmaus, which was from Jerusalem about threescore furlongs.
 - 14. And they talked together
 - of all

- these things which
- had happened.
- 15. And it came to pass, that, while they communed together and reasoned,
- Jesus himself drew near, and went with them.
 - 16. But their eyes were
 - holden that they should not

- know him
- 17. And he said unto them.
- What manner of
- communications are these
 - that ve have one to another, as ve walk, and are sad?
 - 18. And the one of them.
- whose name was Cleopas. answering
- said unto him.
- Art thou only a stranger in Jerusalem.
- and hast not known the things which are come to
- DGSS there in these days?
- **■** J 19. And he said unto them,
- What things? And they said unto him.
- Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, which was
- a prophet mighty in deed and word

before God and all the people:

- 20. And how the chief
- priests and our rulers
- delivered him to be
 - condemned to death, and have
- crucified him.
- 21. But we trusted

that it had been

- he which
- should have redeemed
- Israel: and beside all this, to-day is the third day since these things were done.
- 22. Yea, and certain women also of our company made us astonished, which were early at the sepulchre:
- 23. And when they
- found not his body, they came.
- saying, that they had also seen a vision of angels.
- which said that he
- was alive
 - 24. And certain of them which were with us went to the sepulchre, and found it even so as the women had said: but him they saw not.
- 25. Then he said unto them.
- O fools, and slow of heart
- I to believe all that

- the prophets have spoken: 26. Quant not Christ to have suffered these things,
 - and to
- enter into his alory? 27. And beginning at Moses

and all the prophets.

- he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.
 - 28. And they drew nigh unto the village, whither they went: and he made as though he would have gone further.
 - 29. But they constrained him, saving, Abide with us: for it is toward evening, and the day is far spent. And he went in to tarry with them.
 - 30. And it came to pass,
- as he sat at meat with them.
 - he took bread, and
- blessed it. and brake.
- and gave to them.
- 31. And their eyes were
- opened, and they knew him: and he vanished

out of their sight.

- 32. And they said one to another.
- Did not our heart burn within us, while he talked with us by the way, and
- while he opened to us the scriptures?
 - 33. And they

rose up the same hour, and

returned to Jerusalem, and found the eleven

gathered together, and them that were with them.

- 34. Saving, The Lord is risen indeed, and hath appeared to Simon.
- 35. And they told what things were done in the way, and
- how he was known of them in breaking of bread.
- 36. And as they thus spake,
- Jesus himself
- stood in the midst of them.
- and saith unto them,
- Peace be unto you.
 - 37. But they were terrified and affrighted.

LUKE 24 Jesus instr	
	and supposed that they had seen a spirit. 38. And he said unto them,
	Why are ye troubled? and
_	why do thoughts arise in your hearts? 39. Behold
-	my hands and my feet, that
	it is I myself:
	handle me, and see; for a
	spirit hath not flesh and
	bones, as ye see me have.
	40. And when he had thus spoken,
	he shewed them
	his hands and his
	feet.
	41. And while they yet
-	believed not for joy, and wondered.
	he said unto them.
	Have ye here any meat?
	42. And they gave him
-	a piece of a broiled
	fish, and of an
	honeycomb.
	43. And he took it, and did
	eat before them.
	44. And he said unto them,
	These <i>are</i> the words which
	I spake unto you,
ا _ ا	while I was yet with you,
	that all things must
	be fulfilled, which were written in

the law of Moses, and in the prophets,

45. **Then opened he their**

■ | understanding, that they might

and in the psalms,

concerning me.

Thus it is written, and thus it behaved Christ to suffer. and to rise from the dead the third day: 47. And that repentance and remission of sins should be preached in his name among all nations. beginning at Jerusalem. 48. And ye are witnesses of these things. 49. And, behold, I send the promise of my Father upon you: but farry ye in the city of Jerusalem, until ye be endued with power from on high. 50 And he led them out as far as to Bethany, and he lifted up his hands, and blessed them. 51. **And** it came to pass, while he blessed them, he Was parted from them, and carried up into heaven. 52. And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy: 53. And were continually in the temple. praising and blessing God. Amen.

understand the scriptures. 46. And said unto them.

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CHAPTER 1

1. In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was

with God, and the Word

was God. ■ i

> 2. The same was in the beginning with God.

3. All things were made by

him: and without him was not any thing made that was made.

4. In him was life: and the life was

the light of men.

5. And the light shineth in darkness:

and the darkness

comprehended it not.

> 6. There was a man sent from God. whose name was

John.

7. The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.

8. He was not that Light, but

was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9. That was

the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world. 10. He was in the world.

and the world was made by him.

and the world knew him not.

11. He came unto his own,

and his own received

him not.

12. But as many as received

him, to them gave he power

to become the sons of

God. even to them that believe on his name:

13. Which were born.

not of blood.

nor of the will of the flesh. nor of the will of man.

but of God.

14. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us. (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,)

full of grace and truth.

15. John bare witness of him, and cried.

savina. This was he

of whom I spake. He that cometh after me is

preferred before me:

for he was before me 16. And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace. 17. For the law was given by Moses, but grace and truth came by Jesus Christ.

18. No man hath seen God at any time:

the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, he

hath declared him.

19 And this is the record of

John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to

ask him, Who art thou? 20. And he confessed.

and denied not; but confessed.

I am not the Christ.

21. And they asked him. What then? Art thou Elias? And he saith, I am not.

Art thou that prophet? And he answered. No.

Then said they unto him.

Who art thou? that we may give an answer to them that sent us. What savest thou of thyself?

23. He said. I am the voice

of one crying in the wilderness. Make straight the way of the Lord.

as said the prophet Esaias. 24. And they which were sent were of the Pharisees.

25. And they asked him, and said unto him.

Why baptizest thou then, if thou he not that Christ, nor Elias.

neither that prophet?

26. John answered them, saying,

I baptize with water: but

there standeth one among **YOU.** whom ye know not;

27. He it is, who coming after me is

preferred before me.

whose shoe's latchet I am not worthy to unloose.

28. These things were done in

Bethabara beyond Jordan, where John was baptizing.

29. The next day John seethJesus coming unto him,

and saith, Behold the Lamb

the sin of the world.

30. **This is he** of whom I said, After me cometh a man which is

preferred before me:

for he was before me.

31. And I knew him not: but that he should be made manifest to Israel, therefore am I come baptizing with water.

32. And John bare record.

saying, I saw the Spirit

descending from heaven

like a dove, and it abode upon him.

33. And I knew him not: but

he that sent me

to baptize with water, the same

said unto me.

Upon whom thou shalt see

the Spirit descending, and

remaining on him

■ the same is he which

baptizeth with theHoly Ghost.

34. And I saw, and bare record that this is the Son of God.

■ 35. Again the next day after ■ John stood, and two

■ of his disciples;

36. And looking upon Jesus as he walked,

he saith, Behold the Lamb
of God!

and the two disciples heard him speak, and they

■ followed Jesus.

38. Then Jesus turned, and saw them following, and

saith unto them, What seek

ye? They said unto him, Rabbi, (which is to say, being

interpreted, Master,)

where dwellest thou?

39. He saith unto them,

Come and see. They came and saw where he dwelt,

I and abode with him that

day: for it was about the tenth hour. 40. One of the two which heard John speak, and followed him,

was Andrew,

Simon Peter's brother.

 41. He first findeth his own brother Simon, and saith unto him,

We have found theMessias, which is, being interpreted, the Christ.

42. And he brought him to

■ Jesus. And when

Jesus beheld him, he

said, Thou art Simon the son of Jona:

thou shalt be called Cephas.

which is by interpretation.

■ A stone.

43. The day following Jesus would go forth into Galilee, and findeth Philip, and saith unto him.

Follow me.

44. Now Philip was of Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter.

■ 45 Philip findeth Nathanael,

■ and saith unto him,

We have found him, of whom Moses in the law.

and the prophets, did write, Jesus of Nazareth.

the son of Joseph.

46. And Nathanael said

Can there any good thing come out of Nazareth?

Philip saith unto him,

Come and see.

47. Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him,

and saith of him, Behold an Israelite indeed.

in whom is no guile!

■ 48. Nathanael saith unto him,

Whence knowest thou me?

Jesus answered and said unto

him, Before that Philip called thee,

when thou wast under the fig tree, I saw thee.

49. **Nathanael answered** and saith unto him.

- Rabbi, thou art the Son of God: thou art the King of Israel.
- 50. Jesus answered and said unto him.
- Because I said unto thee.
- I saw thee under the fig tree.
- believest thou? thou shalt
- see areater things ■ I than these.
 - 51. And he saith unto him, Verily verily. I say unto you,
- Hereafter ye shall see
- heaven open, and the ■ angels of God ascending
- and descending upon the Son of man.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. And the third day
- there was a marriage in
- Cana of Galilee:
- and the mother of Jesus was there:
 - 2. And both Jesus was called, and his disciples, to the marriage.
 - 3. And when they wanted wine.
- the mother of Jesus saith l unto him. They have
- no wine.
 - 4. Jesus saith unto her, Woman, what have I to do with thee? mine hour is not vet come.
- 5. His mother saith unto the l servants. Whatsoever he
- saith unto you.
- do it.
- 6. And there were set there six waterpots of stone, after the manner of the purifying of the Jews, containing two or three firkins apiece.
- 7. Jesus saith unto them.
- Fill the waterpots with water.

And they filled them up to the brim.

- 8. And he saith unto them.
- Draw out now, and bear unto the governor
 - of the feast. And they bare it.
- 9. When the ruler of the feast had
- I tasted the water that was
- made wine, and knew not whence it was: (but the servants which drew the water knew;)
- the governor of the feast

- called the bridegroom,
- 10. And saith unto him.
- ا 📰 Every man at the beginning doth set forth good wine;

and when men have well drunk, then that which is worse:

- but thou hast kept the good wine until now.
- 11. This beginning of miracles did Jesus in
- Cana of Galilee, and manifested forth his glory; and his disciples believed on him.

12. After this he went down to Capernaum, he, and his mother, and his brethren, and his disciples; and

- they continued there not many days. 13. And the Jews' passover
- was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.
- 14. And found in the temple
- those that sold oxen and sheep and doves.
- and the changers
- of money sitting:
- 15. And when he had made a scourae
 - of small cords.
 - he drove them all out of the

temple, and the sheep, and the oxen: and poured out the changers' money.

- and overthrew the tables:
- And said unto them that sold. doves. Take these things hence;
- make not my Father's house an house of
- merchandise.
 - And his disciples remembered that it was written. The zeal of thine house hath eaten me up.
- 18. Then answered the Jews and said unto him,
- What sian shewest thou unto us.
- seeing that thou doest
- these thinas?
- 19. Jesus answered and said unto them.
- s۱ Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up.
 - 20. Then said the Jews, Forty and six vears was this temple in building, and

- wilt thou rear it up in three days?
- 21. But he spake of the temple of his body.
- 22. When therefore he was
- risen from the dead,
- his disciples remembered that he had said this unto them:
- and they believed the scripture, and the word which Jesus had said.
- 23. Now when he was in Jerusalemat the passover,in the feast day.
 - many believed in his name,
- when they saw the miracles which he did.
- 24 But Jesus did not
- commit himself unto them,
- because he knew all men,
 - 25. And needed not that any should testify of man: for
- he knew what was in man.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. There was a man of the Pharisees, named
- Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews:
 - 2. The same
- came to Jesus by night, and said unto him.
- Babbi, we know that
- thou art a teacher come
- from God: for no man can do these miracles
 - do these miracles
- except God be with him.
- 3. **Jesus** answered and
- **said unto him,** Verily, verily, I say unto thee.
- Except a man be born
- again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.
- 4 Nicodemus saith unto him,
- How can a man be born when he is old? can be enter
- the second time into his mother's womb, and be born?
- 5. Jesus answered,
- Verily, verily, I say unto thee,

 Except a man be born of
- water and of the Spirit, he
 - cannot enter into the

- kingdom of God.
- 6. That which is born of the flesh is flesh; and that
- which is born of the Spirit is spirit.
- 7. Marvel not that I said unto thee.
- Ye must be born again.
- 8. The wind bloweth where it listeth.
- and thou hearest the sound thereof, but
- canst not tell whence it cometh, and whither it goeth: so is every
- goeth: so is e
- born of the Spirit.
- Nicodemus answered and said unto him,
- How can these things be?
 - 10. Jesus answered and said unto him, Art thou a master of Israel, and knowest not these things?
 - 11. Verily, verily, I say unto thee,
- We speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen; and ye receive not our witness.
 - 12. If I have told you earthly things,
- and ye believe not, how shall ye believe, if I tell you of heavenly things?
 - 13. And no man hath ascended up to heaven, but he that came down from heaven, even the Son of man which is in heaven.
- 14. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the
- wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up:
- 15. That whosoever
- believeth in him should not
- perish, but have eternal life.

 16. For God so loved the
- world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that
- whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.
- 17. For God sent not his Son into the world
- to condemn the world;
 - but that the world through
 - him might be saved.

- 18. He that believeth on him is not condemned:
- but he that believeth not is
- condemned already, because he hath not
- believed in the name of theonly begotten Son of God.
 - 1 19. Ánd this is the
- condemnation, that light is
- Come into the world,
- and men loved darkness rather than light,
- because theirdeeds were evil.
 - 20. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.
- 21. But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God.
- 22. After these things came
- Jesus and his disciples
- into the land of
- Judgeg; and there he tarried with them, and baptized.
- 23. And John also was
 baptizing in Aenon near to
 Salim, because there was much water
 there: and they came.

and were baptized. 24. For John was not yet

- 24. For John was not yet cast into prison.
- 25. Then there arose a
- **question** between *some* of John's disciples and the Jews
- about purifying.
- 26. And they came unto
- John, and said unto him, Rabbi, he that was with thee
- he that was with thee beyond Jordan.
- to whom thou barest
 witness, behold, the same baptizeth, and
- all *men* come to him.
- 27. John answered and said, A man can receive nothing, except it be given him from heaven.
 - 28. Ye yourselves bear me witness, that I said.
- I am not the Christ, but that I am sent before him.

- 29. He that hath the bride is the bridegroom: but the friend of the bridegroom, which standeth and heareth him
- rejoiceth greatly because of the bridegroom's voice: this
- my joy therefore is fulfilled.
- 30. He must increase, but I must decrease.
- 31. He that cometh from
- above is above all: he that is of the earth is earthly, and speaketh of the earth: he that cometh from heaven is above all.
 - 32. And what he hath seen and heard, that he testifieth; and no man receiveth his testimony.
- 33. He that hath received his testimony hath set to his
- seal that God is true.34. For he whom God hath sent
 - speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure *unto him*.
- 35. The Father loveth the
- Son, and hath given all things into his hand.
- 36. He that believeth on the
- Son hath everlasting life:
- and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life; but
- the wrath of God abideth
- on him.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. When therefore the LORD knew how the Pharisees had heard that
- Jesus made and baptized more disciples than John,
 - 2. (Though Jesus himself baptized not, but his disciples,)
 - 3. He left Judaea, and
- departed again into Galilee.
- 4. And he must needs go
- through Samaria.
- 5. Then cometh he to a city of Samaria, which is
- called Sychar, near to the parcel of ground that Jacob gave to his son Joseph.
- 6. Now Jacob's well was
- there. Jesus therefore, being

- wearied with his journey. sat thus on the well: and it was about the sixth hour.
- 7 There cometh a woman of Samaria
- to draw water: Jesus saith unto her.
- Give me to drink.
 - 8. (For his disciples were gone away unto the city to buy meat.)
- 9. Then saith the woman of Samaria unto him.
- How is it that thou, being
- a Jew, askest drink of me, which am
- a woman of Samaria? for the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans.
- 10. Jesus answered and said unto her.
- If thou knewest the gift of God, and
 - who it is that saith to thee.
- Give me to drink: thou wouldest have asked of
- him, and he would have given thee living water.
 - 11. The woman saith unto him, Sir,
- thou hast nothing to draw
- with, and the well is deep: from whence then hast thou that living water?
 - 12. Art thou greater than our father Jacob, which gave us the well, and drank thereof himself, and his children, and his cattle?
- 13. Jesus answered and said unto her.
- Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again:
- 14. But whosoever drinketh
- of the water that I
- shall give him
- shall never thirst:
- but the water that I shall give him shall be in him
- a well of water springing up into everlasting life.
- 15. The woman saith unto him. Sir, give me this water, that I
- thirst not, neither come hither to draw.
 - 16. Jesus saith unto her. Go.

- call thy husband.
- and come hither. 17 The woman answered and
- said. I have no husband.
 - Jesus said unto her. Thou hast well said.

 - have no husband:
- 18. For thou hast had five
- husbands: and he whom thou now hast is not thy husband; in that saidst thou truly.
 - 19. The woman saith unto him, Sir, I perceive that
- thou art a prophet. 20. Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye
- say, that in Jerusalem is the place where men ought
- to worship.
- 21. Jesus saith unto her. Woman. believe me, the hour cometh, when ye shall neither in this mountain, nor yet at Jerusalem, worship the Father.
- 22. Ye worship ve know not what: we know what we worship: for salvation is of the Jews.
- 23. But the hour cometh, and
- now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in
- truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him.
- 24. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.
- 25. The woman saith unto him. I know that Messias
- cometh, which is called Christ: when he is come, he
- will tell us all things.
- 26. Jesus saith unto her.
- I that speak unto thee
 - am he.
 - An upon this came his disciples. and marvelled that he talked with the woman: yet no man said. What seekest thou? or, Why talkest thou with her?
- 28 The woman
- then left her waterpot, and went her way

 - into the city, and saith

to the men.

29 Come, see a man, which

■ told me all things that ever

I did: is not this the Christ?

30. Then they went out of the city, and

came unto him.

31. In the mean while his disciples prayed him,

saying, Master, eat.

32. But he said unto them.

■ I have meat to eat that ye know not of.

33. Therefore said the

disciples one to another,
Hath any man brought him

■ | aught to eat?

■ 34. **Jesus saith** unto them,

My meat is to do the will of him that sent me.

and to finish his work.

■ 35. Say not ye, There are yet

four months, and then cometh harvest?

behold, I say unto you,

■ Lift up your eyes, and look on

■ the fields; for they

are white already

■ to harvest.

36. And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and

gathereth fruit unto life

eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together.

37. And herein is that saying true,
One soweth, and another reapeth.
38. I sent you to reap that whereon ye
bestowed no labour: other men
laboured, and ye are entered
into their labours.

■ 39. And many of the

■ Samaritans of that city

believed on him for the saving

for the saying of the woman, which testified.

He told me all that ever I did.

■ the Samaritans

were come unto him, they

■ besought him that he would

■ tarry with them.

■ and he abode

■ there two days.

41. And many more believed

because of his own word;

42. And said unto the woman, Now we believe.

not because of thy saying:

for we have heard him

ourselves, and know that this is indeed the Christ.

the Saviour of the world.

■ 43. **Now** after two days

he departed thence, and

| went into Galilee. | 44 For Jesus himself

testified, that a prophet

■ hath no honour in

■ his_own country.

45. **Then** when he was come into Galilee.

the Galilaeans received

him, having seen all the things that he did at

Jerusalem at the feast: for they also went unto the feast.

■ | 46. So Jesus came again

into Cana

of Galilee, where he made the water wine.

■ And there was

a certain nobleman, whose son was sick at Capernaum.

47. When he heard that Jesus was come out of Judaea into Galilee, he went unto him, and

besought him that

he would come down, and heal his son: for he was

at the point of death.

48. Then said Jesus unto him, Except ye see signs and wonders, ye will not believe.

49. The nobleman saith

■ Sir, come down ere

my child die.

■ 50. **Jesus saith** unto him, Go thy way;

thy son liveth. And the man

believed the word that Jesus had spoken unto him, and he went his way.

■ 51. **And** as he was now going down,

■ his servants met him,

and told him.

saying. Thy son liveth.

- 52. Then inquired he of them the hour when he began to amend. And they said unto him. Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him. 53. So the father knew that it was at the same hour, in the which Jesus
- said unto him, Thy son liveth: and himself believed, and his whole house.

54. This is again the second miracle that Jesus did.

when he was come out of Judaea into Galilee.

CHAPTER 5

1. After this there was a feast of the Jews: and

Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

2. Now there is at Jerusalem

by the sheep market

a pool, which is

called in the Hebrew tongue

Bethesda, having five porches.

3. In these lay a great multitude of impotent folk.

of blind, halt, withered,

waiting for the moving of the water.

4. For an angel went down

at a certain season into the pool, and troubled

the water: whosoever then

first after the troubling of the water stepped in

was made whole

of whatsoever disease he had.

And a certain man was there, which

had an infirmity thirty and eight years.

6 When Jesus saw him

lie, and knew that he had been now a long time in that case.

he saith unto him

Wilt thou be made whole?

7. The impotent man

answered him, Sir.

I have no man.

when the water is troubled.

to put me into the pool: but while I am coming, another steppeth down before me.

8. **Jesus saith** unto him.

Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.

And immediately the man was made whole, and took up his bed, and walked; and on the same day was the sabbath.

10. The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured.

It is the sabbath day: it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed.

11. He answered them. He that made me whole.

the same

said unto me.

Take up thy bed, and walk.

12. Then asked they him. What man is that which said unto

thee, Take up thy bed, and walk? 13. And he that was healed

wist not who it was: for Jesus had conveyed himself away, a multitude being in that place. 14. Afterward Jesus findeth

him in the temple. and said unto him. Behold.

thou art made whole: sin no more.

lest a worse thing come unto thee.

15. The man departed, and

told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole.

16. And therefore did

the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him,

because he had done

these things on the sabbath day.

17. But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto.

and I work.

18. Therefore the Jews sought the more to kill him, because he not only had broken

the sabbath, but

said also that God was his Father,

making himself equal with God.

19. Then answered Jesus and

said unto them, Verily, verily, Lsav unto you.

The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth

the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise

20. For the Father loveth the

■ Son, and sheweth him all things that himself doeth:

and he will shew him greater works than these, that ye may marvel.

21 For as the Father raiseth ■ up the dead.

and quickeneth them:

even so the Son quickeneth

■ whom he will.

22. For the Father judgeth no man, but

hath committed all ■ iudament unto the Son:

> 23. That all men should honour the Son, even as they honour the Father.

He that honoureth not the Son honoureth

not the Father

which hath sent him.

24. Verily, verily, I say unto you,

He that heareth my word,

and believeth on him that sent me.

hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but

is passed from death unto life.

25. Verily, verily, I say unto you,

The hour is coming, and

now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the

Son of God:

and they that hear

shall live.

26. For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

27. And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man

28. Marvel not at this: for

the hour is coming, in the which all that are in

the graves shall

hear his voice.

29. And shall come forth: they that have done good.

unto the resurrection of life:

and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of

damnation.

30. I can of mine own self

do nothina: as I hear. I

iudae: and my judgment is just: because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Eather which hath sent me

31. If I bear witness of myself, my witness

is not true.

32 There is another that

beareth witness of me: and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true

33. Ye sent unto John, and

he bare witness unto the truth. 34. But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ve might be saved.

35. He was a burning and

a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

36. But I have greater

witness than that of

John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish.

the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the

Father hath sent me.

37. And the Father himself, which hath sent me.

hath borne witness of me.

Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.

38. And ye have not his

word abiding in you:

for whom he hath sent, him

ye believe not. 39. Search the scriptures:

for in them ye think ye have eternal

life: and

they are they which

testify of me.

40. And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

41. I receive not honour from men.

■ 42. But I know you, that
ye have not the love of God
in you

■ 43.1 am come in my father's name, and ve receive me

not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

44. How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh*

from God only?

45. Do not think that I will

■ accuse you to the Father:
■ there is one that accuse!

there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses,

in whom ye trust.

46. For had ye believed

Moses, ye would have believed me: for he

■ wrote of me.

47. But if ye believe not his

writings, how shall ye believe my words?

CHAPTER 6

1. After these things

Jesus went over the sea of Galilee,

which is *the sea* of Tiberias.

2. **And a great multitude**

2. And a great multitude
 followed him, because
 they saw his miracles

which he did on them that were diseased.

■ 3. And Jesus went up into a

mountain, and there he sat with his disciples.

4. And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh.

■ 5. When Jesus

then lifted up his eyes, and

saw a great company

Come unto him,

■ he saith unto Philip,

■ Whence shall we buy

■ bread, that these may eat?

6. And this he said to prove

him: for he himself knew what he would do.

7. Philip answered him, Two

hundred pennyworth of bread is not sufficient

for them, that every one of them

may take a little.

8. One of his disciples,

Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, saith unto him.

9. There is

a lad here, which

hath five barley loaves, and two small fishes: but

what are they among so many?

 10. And Jesus said, Make the men sit down. Now there was much grass in the place. So the men sat down.

in number about five thousand.

five thousand.

11. And Jesus took the loaves; and when he had given thanks, he

distributed to the disciples, and the disciples to them that were set down:

and likewise of the fishes as much as they would.

■ 12. When they were filled, he

said unto his disciples,

■ Gather up

the fragments that remain,

that nothing be lost.

13. Therefore they ac

13. **Therefore they gathered** them together, and filled

twelve baskets with the fragments

of the five barley loaves, which remained ov

which remained over and above unto them that had eaten.

14. Then those men, when they had seen the miracle

that Jesus did,
said, This is of a truth

■ that prophet that should

come into the world.

15. When Jesus th

15. When Jesus therefore perceived that they would

perceived that they would come and take him by force, to
 make him a king, he

departed again into a mountain

himself alone.
16. **And** when even was *now* come,

his disciples went

down unto the sea,

17. And entered into a ship,and went over the sea

toward Capernaum. And it

was now dark, and Jesus was not come to them.

- 18. And the sea grose by reason
- of a great wind that blew.
- 19. So when they had rowed about five and twenty or
- thirty furlongs, they see Jesus walking on the sea.
 - and drawing nigh unto the ship:
- and they were afraid.
- 20. But he saith unto them.
- It is I: be not afraid. 21. Then they willingly
- received him into the ship:
- and immediately
 - the ship was at the land whither they went.
 - 22. The day following, when the people which stood on the other side of the sea saw that there was none other boat there, save that one whereinto his disciples were entered. and that Jesus went not with his disciples into the boat, but that his disciples were gone away alone; 23. (Howbeit there came other boats from Tiberias nigh unto the place where they did eat bread, after that the Lord had given thanks:)
- 24. When the people therefore saw that Jesus was not
- there, neither his disciples.
- they also took shipping, and
- came to Capernaum. seeking for Jesus.
- 25. And when they had found him

on the other side of the sea.

- they said unto him, Rabbi,
- when camest thou hither?
- 26. **Jesus answered** them and said, Verily, verily, I say unto you.
- Ye seek me, not because ye saw the miracles, but
- because ve did eat of the loaves, and were filled.
- 27. **Labour** not for the meat which perisheth, but
- for that meat which ■ endureth unto everlastina
- life, which the Son of man
 - shall give unto you: for him hath

God the Father sealed

- 28. Then said they unto him.
- What shall we do, that we might work the works of God?
- 29. Jesus answered and said unto them.
- This is the work of God. that ve believe on him whom he hath sent.
- They said therefore unto him.
- What sign shewest thou then. that we may see, and believe thee?
- what dost thou work?
- 31. Our fathers did eat
- manna in the desert:
- as it is written. He gave them bread from heaven to eat
- 32. Then Jesus said unto them. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- Moses gave you not that bread from heaven: but my Father giveth you the true bread from heaven.
- 33. For the bread of God is he which cometh down from heaven.
- and giveth life unto the world.
- 34. Then said they unto him. Lord, evermore
- give us this bread.
- 35. And Jesus said unto them.
- I am the bread of life:

he that cometh to me shall never hunger; and he that believeth on me shall never thirst.

- 36. But I said unto you, That
- Ve also have seen me, and
 - believe not.
- 37. All that the Father giveth me shall
- come to me: and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.
- 38. For I came down from heaven.
- not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.
 - 39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of all which he hath aiven me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.
 - 40. And this is the will of him that sent me, that

- every one which seeth the
 Son, and believeth on him,
 may have everlasting life:
 and I will raise him up
 - at the last day.
- 41. The Jews then murmured at him.
- because he said, I am the
- from heaven.
- 42. And they said, Is not this
 Jesus, the son of Joseph,
 whose father and mother we know?
- how is if then that
- he saith, I came down from heaven?
- 43. Jesus therefore
- answered and said unto them, Murmur not among yourselves.
- 44. No man can come to me,
 except the Father which
- hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.
 45. It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God.
- Every man therefore that hath heard, and
- hath learned of the Father,cometh unto me.
 - 46. Not that any man hath seen the Father, save he which is of God, he hath seen the Father.
 - 47. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- He that believeth on me hath everlasting life.
- 48. I am that bread of life.
- 49. Your fathers did eat
- manna in the wilderness,
- and are dead.
 - 50. This is the bread which cometh down from heaven, that a man may eat thereof, and not die.
- 51. I am the living bread which came down from heaven:
- if any man eat of this bread,
- he shall live for ever: andthe bread that I will give is
- my flesh, which I will give for the life of the world
- 52. The Jews therefore
- **strove** among themselves.
- saying, How can this man give us *his* flesh to eat?

- 53. **Then Jesus said** unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- Except ye eat the flesh of the Son of man, and drink his blood, ye have no life in you.
- 54. Whoso eateth my flesh,
 and drinketh my blood,
 hath eternal life; and
 - I will raise him up at the last day.

 55. For my flesh is meat indeed, and my blood is drink indeed.

 56. He that eateth my flesh, and
 - drinketh my blood.
- dwelleth in me, and I in him.
 - 57. As the living Father hath sent me, and
- I live by the Father: so he
 that eateth me, even he
 shall live by me.
 - 58. This is that bread which came down from heaven: not as your fathers did eat manna, and are dead: he that eateth of this bread
- he that eateth of this breadshall live for ever.
 - 59. These things said he in the synagogue, as he taught in Capernaum.
- 60. Many therefore of his disciples,
 when they had heard this.
- said, This is an hard
- saying; who can hear it?
- 61. When Jesus knew in himself that
- his disciples murmured at it,
- he said unto them,
- Doth this offend you?
 - 62. What and if ye shall see the Son of man ascend up where he was before?
- 63. It is the spirit that
- **quickeneth**; the flesh profiteth nothing:
- the words that I speak unto you. they
- are spirit, and they are
- life.
- 64. **But** there are
- some of you that
- believe not. For Jesus
- knew from the beginning
 - who they were that
 - believed not, and who

- should betray him.
- 65. And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that
- no man can come unto me. **except if were given** unto him
- of my Father.
- 66. From that time many of
- his disciples went back, and
- walked no more with him. 67. Then said Jesus unto the
- twelve, Will ye also
 - go away?
 - 68 Then Simon
- Peter answered him, Lord,
- to whom shall we ao? thou hast the words
- of eternal life.
- 69. And we believe and are sure that thou art that Christ.
- the Son of the living God.
- 70. Jesus answered them. Have not I chosen you twelve, and
- one of you is a devil? ■ 71. He spake of Judas
- **Iscariof** the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. After these things
- Jesus walked in Galilee: for he would not walk in Jewry.
- because the Jews sought to kill him.
 - 2. Now the Jew's feast of tabernacles. was at hand.
- 3. His brethren therefore
- said unto him, Depart hence, and go into Judaea, that thy
 - disciples also may see the works that thou doest.
- 4. For there is no man that doeth any thing in secret, and he himself seeketh to be known
- openly. If thou do these things, shew thyself to the world. 5. For neither did his brethren
- believe in him. 6. Then Jesus said unto them.
- My time is not yet come: but your time is alway ready.
 - 7. The world cannot hate you; but me it hateth, because I testify of it, that

- the works thereof are evil-
- 8. Go ve up unto this feast: I go not up yet unto this feast: for my time is not yet full come.
- 9. When he had said these words unto them.
- he abode still in Galilee
 - 10. But when his
 - brethren were gone up,
- then went he also up unto the feast, not openly, but as it were
- in secret.
- 11 Then the Jews
 - sought him at the feast, and
- said. Where is he? 12. And there was much
- murmuring among the people
 - concerning him: for
- some said. He is a good . man: others said, Nay;
- but he deceiveth the people. 13 Howbeit no man spake
- openly of him

- for fear of the Jews.
 - Now about the midst of the feast.
- Jesus went up into the temple, and faught.
- 15. And the Jews marvelled.
- saying, How knoweth this
- man letters, having never learned?
 - 16 Jesus answered
- them, and said.
- My doctrine is not mine, but his that sent me.
- 17. If any man will do his will, he shall know
 - of the doctrine.
- whether it be of God.
 - or whether I speak of myself.
 - 18. He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him.
- 19. Did not Moses give you the law, and yet none of you
- keepeth the law? Why go ye
- about to kill me?
- 20. The people answered and said.
 - Thou hast a devil:
 - who goeth about to kill thee?

21. **Jesus answered**

■ I have done one work,

and ye all marvel.

22. Moses therefore gave unto you circumcision; (not because it is of Moses, but of the fathers;)

and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man.

23. If a man on the sabbath day receive circumcision,

■ | that the law of Moses

should not be broken; are ye angry at me, because I have made a man every whit

have made a man every whi

sabbath day?

24. Judge not according to the appearance, but judge righteous judgment.

25. Then said some of them of Jerusalem.

Is not this he, whom they

■ seek to kill?

26. **But, lo,** he speaketh boldly, and they say nothing unto him.

Do the rulers know indeed that

■ this is the very

■ | Christ?

27. Howbeit we know this man whence he is: but when Christ cometh, no man knoweth whence he is.

28. Then cried Jesus in the temple as he taught, saying, Ye both know me, and ye know whence I am: and

I am not come of myself,
but he that sent me is true,
whom ye know not.

■ 29. But I know him:

for I am from him.

and he hath sent me.

30. Then they sought to takehim: but no man laid hands

on him, because his hour was not yet come.

■ 31. **And many** of the people

■ believed on him,

and said, When Christ
 cometh, will he do more
 miracles than these which this

man hath done?

32. The Pharisees heard that the

people murmured such things concerning him; and

the Pharisees and the chief
 priests sent officers
 to take him.

 33. Then said Jesus unto them, Yet a little while am I with you, and then I go unto him that sent me.
 34. Ye shall seek me, and

34. Ye shall seek me, and shall not find *me*: and where I am, thither ye cannot come.

35. Then said the Jews among themselves,

Whither will he go, that we shall not find him? will he go unto the dispersed among the Gentiles, and teach the Gentiles?

36. What manner of saying is this that he said, Ye shall seek me, and shall not find me: and where I am, thither ye cannot come?

37. In the last day, that great
 day of the feast, Jesus
 stood and

cried, saying, If any man
thirst, let him come unto
me, and drink.

38. He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said,

out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water.

39. (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on

him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet *given*; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

40. Many of the people therefore, when they heard this saying,

said, Of a truth
this is the Prophet.

41. Others said, This is the
 Christ. But some said, Shall
 Christ come out of Galilee?

42. Hath not the scripturesaid, That Christ cometh

of the seed of David, and

out of the town of Bethlehem, where

■ David was?

43. So there was a division

among the people

because of him.

44. And some of them would have taken him: but no man laid hands on him.

■ 45. Then came the officers

■ to the chief priests and Pharisees; and

they said unto them. ■ Why have ye not

brought him?

46. The officers answered.

Never man spake like this man.

47. Then answered them the

Pharisees, Are ye also deceived?

> 48. Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed on him?

49. But this people who knoweth not the law are cursed.

50. Nicodemus saith unto them, (he that came to Jesus by night, being one of them,)

51. Doth our law judge any man.

before it hear him. and know what he doeth?

■ 52. They answered and said unto him. Art thou also of Galilee?

■ | Search, and look:

■ for out of Galilee ariseth no prophet.

53. And every man went unto his own house.

CHAPTER 8

1. Jesus went unto the mount

2. And early in the morning

■ he came again into the ■ | temple, and all the people

came unto him:

and he sat down, and

■ I taught them.

3. And the scribes and

■ Pharisees brought unto him

a woman taken in adultery: and when they had set her in the midst.

4. They say unto him,

Master, this woman was

■ taken in adultery.

in the very act.

5 Now Moses in

the law commanded us. that such should be

stoned: but what

savest thou?

6. This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But

Jesus stooped down, and

with his finger wrote on the ground,

as though he heard them not.

7. So when they continued askina him. he

lifted up himself, and

said unto them.

He that is without sin among you.

let him first cast a stone at her.

8. And again he stooped down, and

wrote on the ground.

9. And they which heard it, being convicted

by their own conscience,

went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last:

and Jesus was left alone. and the woman

standing in the midst.

10. When Jesus had lifted up himself. and saw none but the woman,

he said unto her. Woman, where are those thine accusers?

hath no man

condemned thee?

11. She said, No man, Lord.

And Jesus said unto her.

Neither do I condemn thee:

go, and sin no more.

12. Then spake Jesus again unto them,

saying, I am the light of the

world: he that followeth me shall not walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life.

13. The Pharisees therefore

said unto him.

Thou bearest record of

thyself; thy record is not true.

14. Jesus answered and said unto them,

- Though I bear record of myself.
 - yet my record is true: for I know whence I came. and whither I go:
- but ye cannot tell whence I come, and whither I ao.
- 15. Ye judge after the flesh; I **•** (iudae no man.
- 16. And vet if I judge, my iudament is true: for I am not alone, but I and the Eather that sent me.
- 17. It is also written in your law, that the testimony of two men is true.
- 18 am one that
- bear witness of myself. and the Father that sent me beareth witness of me.
- 19. Then said they unto him. Where is thy Father? Jesus
 - answered. Ye neither know me. nor my Father:
- if ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also.
 - 20. These words spake Jesus in the treasury, as he taught in the temple: and no man laid hands on him: for his hour was not yet come.
- 21. Then said Jesus again unto them, I go my way, and
- ye shall seek me, and shall ■ die in your sins: whither l go, ye cannot come.
- 22. Then said the Jews, Will he kill himself? because he
- saith, Whither I go, ye cannot come. 23. And he said unto them, Ye
- are from beneath: I am from above: ye are of this world: I am
- not of this world. 24. I said therefore unto you, that ye shall die in your sins: for
- if ye believe not that I am he, ye shall die in your ■ sins.
- 25. Then said they unto him,
- Who art thou? And Jesus saith unto them
- - Even the same that I said unto you

- from the beginning.
- 26. I have many things to say and to iudge of you: but
- he that sent me is true; and I speak to the world
- those things which I have heard of him.
- 27. They understood not that he spake to them of the Father.
- 28. Then said Jesus unto them,
- When ye have lifted up the Son of man.
- then shall ye know that I am
 - he, and that I do nothing of myself: but as my Father hath taught me. I speak these things.
- 29 And he that sent me is with me:
- the Father hath not left me alone: for I
 - do always those things that
 - please him.
- 30. As he spake these words. many believed on him.
- 31. **Then said Jesus** to those Jews which believed on him.
- If ye continue in my word, then are ve my disciples indeed:
- 32. And ve shall know the truth, and the truth shall
- make you free. 33. They answered him, We
- be Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man:
- how sayest thou, Ye shall be made free?
- 34. Jesus answered
 - them, Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- Whosoever committeth sin Ė is the servant of sin.
 - 35. And the servant abideth not in the house for ever: but the Son abideth ever.
- If the Son therefore shall
- make you free, ye shall be free indeed.
 - 37. I know that ve are Abraham's seed; but ye seek to kill me, because my word hath no place in you.
- 38. I speak that which I have seen with my Father: and ye do that which ye have seen

- with your father. 39. They answered and said unto him,
- Abraham is our father.
- Jesus saith unto them.
- If ve were Abraham's
- children, ye would do the works of Abraham.
- 40. But now ye seek to kill me, a man that hath told you the truth, which I have heard of God:
 - this did not Abraham.
 - 41. Ye do the deeds of your father.
- Then said they to him, We be not born of fornication:
- we have one Father. even God.
- 42. Jesus said unto them.
- If God were your Father, ye
- would love me: for I proceeded forth and
- came from God; neither came I of myself, but he sent me.
 - 43. Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ve cannot hear my word.
- 44. Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do.
- He was a murderer from the beginning,
- and abode not in the truth.

because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own:

- for he is a liar, and the father of it.
 - 45. And because I tell you the truth, ve believe me not.
 - 46. Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?
- 47. He that is of God heareth
- God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because
- ye are not of God.
- 48. Then answered the П
- Jews, and said unto him, Say we not well that
- thou art a Samaritan, and
- hast a devil?
- 49. Jesus answered. I have
- not a devil; but I honour my

- Father, and ve do dishonour me. 50. And I seek not mine own glory: there is one that seeketh and judgeth. 51. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- If a man keep my saying, he shall never see death.
- 52. Then said the Jews unto him. Now we know that thou hast a devil.
 - Abraham is dead, and the prophets; and thou savest. If a man keep my saving, he shall never taste of death.
- 53. Art thou greater than our father
- Abraham, which is dead? and the prophets are dead:
- whom makest thou thyself?
- 54. Jesus answered, If i honour myself, my honour is nothing:
 - it is my Father that
- honoureth me: of whom ye say. that he is your God:
- 55. Yet ve have not known
- him: but I know him: and if I should say. I know him not, I shall be a liar like unto vou:
- but I know him, and keep his savina.
- 56. Your father Abraham
- rejoiced to see my day: and he saw it, and was glad.
- 57. Then said the Jews unto him.
- Thou art not yet fifty years old,
 - and hast thou
 - seen Abraham?
- 58. **Jesus said** unto them, Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- Before Abraham was, I am.
- 59. Then took they up stones
- to cast at him: but Jesus hid himself, and went out of the temple. going through the midst of them, and so
- passed by.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. And as Jesus passed by,
- he saw a man which was
- blind from his birth.
- 2. And his disciples asked him, saying, Master,

■ I who did sin, this man, or his parents.

that he was born blind?

3 Jesus answered. Neither hath this man sinned, nor his parents: but that the works of God

should be made manifest

4. I must work the works of him that sent me, while it is day:

the night cometh, when no man can work.

5. As long as I am in the world.

I am the light of the world. 6. When he had thus

spoken, he spat on the

ground, and made clay of the spittle, and he anointed the eves of the blind man

with the clay.

7. And said unto him.

Go, wash in the pool of Siloam,

(which is by interpretation, Sent.)

He went his way therefore.

and washed.

and came seeing.

8. The neighbours therefore, and they which before had seen him. that he was blind.

said. Is not this he that sat and begaed?

9. Some said, This is he: others said, He is like him: but

he said. I am he.

10. Therefore said they unto him.

How were thine eves opened?

11. He answered and said. A man that is called

Jesus made clay, and

anointed mine eyes, and

said unto me.

Go to the pool of

Siloam, and wash:

and I went and washed.

and I received sight.

12. Then said they unto him. Where is he? He said, I know not.

13. They brought to the Pharisees him that aforetime was blind

14. And it was the sabbath

day when Jesus made the clay, and opened his eyes.

15. Then again

the Pharisees also asked him how he had received

his sight. He said unto them. He put clay upon mine eyes, and I washed, and do see.

16. Therefore said some of the Pharisees. This man is not of God, because he

keepeth not the sabbath

day. Others said, How can a man that is

a sinner do such miracles? And there was a division among them.

17. They say unto the blind man again, What sayest thou of him, that he hath opened thine eyes? He said. He is a prophet.

18. But the Jews did not

believe concerning him, that he had been blind.

and received his sight, until they called the parents of him that had received his sight.

19. And they asked them, saying,

Is this your son, who ve say was born blind?

how then doth he now see?

20. His parents answered them and said. We know that this is our son.

and that he was born blind:

21. But by what means he now seeth, we know not; or who hath opened his eyes.

we know not:

he is of age; ask him: he shall speak for himself.

22. These words spake his parents, because they leared the Jews: for the Jews had agreed already, that if any man did confess that he was Christ. he should be put out of the synagogue.

23. Therefore said his parents, He is of age; ask him.

24. Then again called they the man that was blind. and said

unto him, Give God the praise:

- | we know that this man
- is a sinner.
- 25. **He answered** and said,
- Whether he be a sinner or no,
- know, that, whereas I was blind, now I see.
- biling, now I see.26. Then said they to him again,
- how opened he thine eyes?
- 27. He answered them, I have told you already.

and ye did not hear: wherefore would ye hear it again?

will ye also be his disciples?

What did he to thee?

■ 28. Then they reviled him, ■ and said.

Thou art his disciple; but

- we are Moses' disciples.
 29. We know that God spake unto Moses:
- as for this fellow, we know not from whence he is.
- 30. The man answered and said unto them, Why herein is a marvellous thing, that
- ye know not from whence he is, and yet he hath opened mine eyes.
- 31. Now we know that God
- heareth not sinners: but if any man be a worshipper of God, and doeth his will, him he heareth.
 - 32. Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.
- 33. If this man were not of God, he could do nothing.
- 34. They answered and said unto him,
- Thou wast altogether born in sins, and dost thou teach us?
- And they cast him out.
- 35. Jesus heard that they had cast him out;
- and when he had found
- him, he said unto him,
- Dost thou believe on the
- Son of God?
- 36. **He answered** and said,
 - Who is he, Lord, that I might believe on him?

- 37. And Jesus said unto him,
- it is he that talketh
- with thee.
 - 38. And he said, Lord, I
- believe. And heworshipped him.
- 39. And Jesus said, For
- judgment I am come into this world,
- that they which see not might see; and that they
- which see might
- be made blind.40. And some of the
- Pharisees which were with him
- heard these words, and said unto him.
- Are we blind also?
- 41. **Jesus said** unto them,
- If ye were blind, ye should
- have no sin: but now ye
 - say, We see; therefore your

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- He that entereth not by the door into the sheepfold, but climbeth up some other way
- the same is a thief and a robber.
- 2. But he that entereth in by the door is the shepherd
 - the door is the shepherd of the sheep.
 - 3. To him the porter openeth;
- and the sheep hear his
 voice; and he calleth his own sheep
 by name, and leadeth them out.
 - 4. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them,
- and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice.
- 5. And a stranger will they
- not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers.
 - 6. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them.
- 7. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you,

- I am the door of the sheep.
 - 8. All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers; but the sheep did not hear them. 9. I am the door:
- by me if any man enter in,
- he shall be saved, and shall oo in and out, and find pasture.
- 10. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to
- destroy: I am come that they might have life,
- and that they might have it
- more abundantly.
- 11. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.
- 12. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not.
- seeth the wolf coming, and
- leaveth the sheep, and fleeth:
- and the wolf catcheth them. and scattereth the sheep.
 - 13. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep.
- 14. I am the good shepherd. and know my sheep, and am known of mine.
 - 15. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father:
- and I lay down my life for the sheep.
- 16. And other sheep I have, which are
- not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice:
- and there shall be one fold. and one shepherd.
 - 17. Therefore doth my Father love me, because
 - I lay down my life.
 - that I might take it again.
- 18. No man taketh it

from me, but I lay it down of myself. I have power to lay it down, and

- I have power to take it
- again. This commandment have I received of my Father.
 - 19. There was a division therefore again among the Jews for these sayings.

- 20. And many of them said. He hath a devil. and is mad: why hear ve him?
- 21 Others said. These are not the words of him that hath a devil.
- Can a devil open the eves of the blind?
 - 22. And it was at Jerusalem the feast of the dedication, and it was winter.
- 23. And Jesus walked in the temple
 - in Solomon's porch. 24. Then came the Jews
 - round about him.
- and said unto him, How long dost thou make us to doubt?
- If thou be the Christ. tell us plainly.
- Jesus answered them.
- I told you, and ye believed
 - not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they
 - bear witness of me.
 - 26. But ve believe not, because ve are not of my sheep.
 - as I said unto vou.
- 27. My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:
- 28. And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any *man* pluck them out of
 - mv hand. 29. My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all:
- and no *man* is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand.
- 30. I and my Father are one.
- 31. Then the Jews took up
- stones again to stone him. Jesus answered them.
- Many good works have I
- shewed you from my Father: for which of those works
- do ve stone me?
- 33. The Jews answered
- him, saying. For a good work we stone thee not: but
- for blasphemy; and
- because that thou.
 - being a man.

- I makest thyself God.
- 34. Jesus answered them.
- Is it not written in your law, I said,
 Ye are gods?
 - 35. If he called them gods, unto whom the word of God came, and the scripture cannot be broken;
- 36. Say ye of him, whom the Father hath sanctified, and sent into the world.
- Thou blasphemest; ■ because I said. I am the
- Son of God?
- 37. If I do not the works of my Father, believe me not.

38. But if I do, though ye believe not me, believe the works: that ye may know, and believe, that the Father is in me, and I in him.

- 39. Therefore they sought
 again to take him: but he
 escaped out of their hand,
 - 40. And went away again
- **beyond Jordan** into the place
- where John at first
- baptized; and there he abode.
 - 41. And many

resorted unto him, and

- **said**, John did no miracle: but
- all things that John spake of this man were true.
- 42. And many believed on him there.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Now a certain man was sick, named Lazarus, of Bethany, the town of Mary and her sister Martha.
 - 2. (It was *that* Mary which anointed the Lord with ointment, and wiped his feet with her hair, whose brother Lazarus was sick.)
- 3 Therefore his sisters sent unto him, saying, Lord,
- behold, he whom thou
 - l lovest is sick.
 - 4. When Jesus heard that,
- he said, This sickness is
- not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God might be glorified thereby.
- 5. Now Jesus loved Martha.

- and her sister, ■ and Lazarus.
- 6. When he had heard therefore that
- he was sick, he abode two days still in the same place where he was.
- 7. **Then** after that
- saith he to his disciples,
- Let us go into Judaea again.
- 8. His disciples say unto him, Master,
- the Jews of late sought to stone thee;

and goest thou thither again?

9. Jesus answered, Are there not twelve hours in the day? If any man walk in the day, he stumbleth not, because he seeth the light of this world.

- 10. But if a man walk in the night, he stumbleth, because there is no light in him.
- 11. These things said he: and
- after that he saith unto them,
- Our friend Lazarus sleepeth; but I go, that I
- may awake him out of sleep.

 12. Then said his disciples,
 Lord, if he sleep, he shall
 - do well.13. Howbeit Jesus spake of his death: but they thought that he had spoken
- of taking of rest in sleep.

 14. **Then said Jesus** unto them
- plainly, Lazarus is dead.

 15. And I am glad for your sakes that I was not there, to the intent ye may believe: nevertheless let us
 - go unto him.

 16. Then said Thomas, which is called Didymus, unto his fellow disciples, Let us also go, that we may die with him.
- 17. Then when Jesus came, ■ he found that he had *lain* in
- the grave four days already.
 - Now Bethany was nigh unto Jerusalem, about fifteen furlongs off:
 And many of the Jews came to Martha and Mary, to comfort them concerning their brother.
 - 20. **Then Martha**, as soon as she heard that Jesus was coming.

- went and met him: but Mary sat still in the house.
- 21 Then said Martha unto Jesus
- Lord, if thou hadst been here, my brother
- had not died.
 - 22. But I know, that even now,
- whatsoever thou wilt ask of God.
- God will give it thee.
 - 23. Jesus saith unto her.
- Thy brother shall rise again.
- 24. Martha saith unto him. I know that he shall rise
- again in the resurrection at the last day.
- 25. Jesus said unto her,
- I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in
- me, though he were dead. vet shall he live:
- 26 And whosoever liveth
- and believeth in me shall never die. Believest
 - thou this?
- 27 She saith unto him
- Yea, Lord: I believe that thou art the Christ, the Son of God, which should come into the world.
 - 28. And when she had so said.
- she went her way, and
- called Mary her sister secretly. saying, The Master
 - is come, and
- calleth for thee.
 - 29. As soon as she heard that,
- she arose quickly, and came unto him.
 - 30. Now Jesus was not yet come into the lown, but was in that place where Martha met him
- 31. The Jews then which were with her in the house, and comforted her.
- when they saw Mary, that she rose up hastily and went out.
- followed her, saying, She goeth unto the grave to weep there.
- 32. Then when Mary was come where Jesus was, and
- saw him, she fell down at his feet, saying unto him.
- Lord, if thou hadst been

- here, my brother had not died.
- 33. When Jesus therefore
- saw her weeping, and the Jews also weeping which came with her.
- he aroaned in the spirit.
- and was troubled.
- 34. And said. Where have ve
 - laid him? They said unto him, Lord.
- come and see.
 - 35. Jesus wept.
- 36. Then said the Jews.
 - Behold how he loved him!
 - 37. And some of them said, Could not this man, which opened the eyes of the blind, have caused that even this man should not have died?
- 38 Jesus therefore
 - again groaning in himself cometh to the arave.
 - It was a cave, and a stone lay upon it.
- 39. Jesus said, Take ve
- away the stone. Martha, the sister of him that was dead.
 - saith unto him.
- Lord, by this time he
 - stinketh: for he hath
 - been dead four days.
 - 40. Jesus saith unto her. Said I not unto thee, that,
 - if thou wouldest believe.
- thou shouldest see the glory of God?
- 41. Then they took away the
 - stone from the place where the dead was laid.
- And Jesus lifted up his eyes, and
- said, Father, I thank thee that thou hast heard me.
- 42. And I knew that thou
- hearest me always:
- but because of the people
- which stand by
- I said it, that they may believe that thou hast sent me.
- 43. **And** when he thus had spoken,
- he cried with a loud voice.
- Lazarus, come forth.
- 44. And he that was dead
- came forth, bound hand and foot
- with graveclothes: and his

face was bound about with a napkin. Jesus saith unto them.

Loose him, and let him go.

45. Then many of the Jews which came to Mary, and had seen the things which Jesus did.

believed on him.

46. But some of them

went their ways

to the Pharisees, and told

them what things Jesus had done. 47. Then gathered the chief

priests and the Pharisees a council, and said. What

do we? for this man doeth many miracles.

48 If we let him thus alone. all men will believe on him:

and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation.

49. **And** one of them, named

Caiaphas, being the high

priest that same year.

said unto them.

Ye know nothing at all. 50. Nor consider that

it is expedient for us.

that one man should die for the people, and that the whole

nation perish not.

51. And this spake he not of himself: but

being high priest that year.

he prophesied that Jesus should die for that nation:

52. And not for that nation only,

but that also he should gather together in one the children of God

that were scattered abroad.

53. **Then** from that day forth

they took counsel together for to put him to death.

54. **Jesus** therefore walked no more openly among the Jews; but

went thence unto a country near to the wilderness.

into a city called Ephraim, and there continued with his disciples.

■ 55. And the Jews' passover was nigh at hand:

and many went

out of the country up

to Jerusalem before the passover.

to purify themselves.

56. Then sought they for Jesus, and spake among themselves, as they stood in the temple, What think ye. that he will not come to the feast? 57. Now both the chief priests and the Pharisees had given a commandment. that, if any man knew where he were. he should shew it, that they might take him.

CHAPTER 12

1. Then Jesus

six days before the passover

came to Bethany, where Lazarus was which had been dead. whom he raised from the dead.

2. There they made him a

SUDDET: and Martha served: but Lazarus was one of them that sat at the table with him.

3. Then took Mary a pound of ointment of spikenard.

very costly.

and anointed the feet of Jesus, and wiped his feet

with her hair: and the house was filled with the odour of the gintment.

4. Then saith one of his disciples.

Judas Iscariot, Simon's son, which should betray him,

5. Why was not this ointment

sold for three hundred pence.

and given to the poor?

6. This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief. and had the bag, and bare what was put therein.

7. Then said Jesus, Let her alone: against the day of

my burying hath

she kept this.

8. For the poor always ye have

with you; but me ye have not always.

Much people

of the Jews therefore

knew that he was there:

and they came not for

Jesus' sake only, but that

- they might see Lazarus also, whom he had raised from the dead.
- 10. But the chief priests
- consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;
- 11. Because that by reason ■ of him many
 - of the Jews went away, and
 - believed on Jesus.
 - 12. On the next day
- much people

that were come to the feast,

- when they heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem,
- 13. Took branches of palm
 - trees, and went forth to meet him,
- and cried, Hosanna:

 Blessed *is* the Kina of Israel

that cometh in the name of the Lord.

- 14. And Jesus, when he had found a young ass, sat
 - thereon; as it is written, 15. Fear not, daughter
- of Sion: behold,
 thy King cometh, sitting on
 an ass's colt.
 - 16. These things understood not his disciples at the first: but when Jesus was glorified, then remembered they that these things were written of him, and *that* they had done these things unto him
- 17. The people therefore
 that was with him when he
 called Lazarus out of his grave.
- and raised him from the dead,
- bare record.
- 18. For this cause the people also met him,

for that they heard that he had done this miracle.

- 19. The Pharisees therefore said among themselves, Perceive ye how ye prevail nothing? behold, the world is gone after him.
- 20. And there were
- certain Greeks among them that
- came up to worship
- ui ine leasi:
- 21. The same came
 - therefore to Philip, which was of Bethsaida of Galilee.

and desired him.

- saying, Sir, we would see Jesus.
- 22. Philip cometh
- and telleth Andrew: and again
- Andrew and Philip tell Jesus.
- 23. And Jesus answered them, saying,
- The hour is come, that the
 Son of man should
 be glorified.
 - 24. Verily, verily, I say unto you,
- Except a corn of wheat fall into the ground and die, it abideth alone: but if it die, it bringeth forth much fruit.
- 25. He that loveth his life shall lose it:

and he that hateth his life in this world shall keep it unto life eternal.

26. If any man serve me, let him follow me; and where I am, there shall also my servant be: if any man serve me,

him will my Father honour.

- 27. Now is my soul troubled; and
- what shall I say? Father,
 save me from this hour: but
 for this cause came I unto
 this hour.
- this hour.28. Father, glorify thy name.
- Then came there a voice from heaven, saying, I
- have both
 glorified it, and will glorify
 it again.
- 29. **The people** therefore,
- that stood by, and
- heard it, said that
- it thundered: others said,
- An angel spake to him.
- 30. Jesus answered and said,
- This voice came
 - not because of me, but for your sakes.
- for your sakes.

 31. Now is the judgment of
- this world: now shall the
- prince of this world
- be cast out.
- 32. And I, if I be lifted up from the earth,
- | will draw all *men* unto me.

- 33. This he said, signifying what death he should die.
- 34. The people answered him. We have heard out of the law that
- Christ abideth for ever: and how savest thou. The
- - Son of man
- must be lifted up?

who is this Son of man?

- 35. Then Jesus said unto them. Yet a little while is the light with you.
- Walk while ye have the
- light, lest darkness come upon you:
- for he that walketh in
- darkness knoweth not whither he goeth.
 - 36. While ye have light,
- believe in the light, that ye may be the children of light.

These things spake Jesus, and departed, and did hide himself from them.

- 37. But though he had done so many miracles before them. yet they believed not on him:
- 38. That the saving of
- **Esaias** the prophet
- might be fulfilled.
 - which he spake,
- Lord, who hath believed
 - our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?
 - 39. Therefore they could not believe, because that
- Esaias said again,
- 40. He hath blinded their
- eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see
- with their eyes.
- nor understand with their heart. and be converted.

and I should heal them.

- 41. These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.
- 42. Nevertheless among the
- chief rulers also many
- believed on him:
- **but** because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they
- should be put out of the synagogue: 43. For they loved the
 - praise of men more than the praise of God.

- 44 Jesus cried and said
- He that believeth on me.
- believeth not on me, but
- on him that sent me.
 - 45. And he that seeth me seeth him that sent me.
- 46. **I am** come a
- light into the world, that
- whosoever believeth on
- me should not abide in darkness.
- 47. And if any man hear my words, and believe not. I judge him not: for
- I came not to judge the
- world, but to save
- the world.
- 48. He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words.
- hath one that judgeth him:
- the word
- that I have spoken, the same
- shall iudae him in the last day.
- 49. For I have not spoken of myself: but the Father
- which sent me. he
- **gave me** a commandment.
- what I should say.

and what I should speak.

50. And I know that his commandment is life everlasting: whatsoever I speak therefore, even as the Father said unto me, so I speak.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. Now before the feast of the passover, when Jesus knew that his hour was come that he should
 - depart out of this world unto the Father, having loved his own which were in the world, he loved them unto the end.
- And supper being ended,
- the devil having now put
- into the heart of
- Judas Iscariot, Simon's son.
- to betray him:
- 3. **Jesus** knowing that the Father had given all things into his hands, and that he was come from God, and went to God:
 - He riseth from supper, and laid aside his garments; and

took a towel, and girded himself.

5. After that he

poureth water into a basin. and began to wash the

disciples' feet, and to wipe them with the towel wherewith he was girded.

6. Then cometh he to Simon Peter: and

Peter saith unto him. Lord, dost thou

wash my feet?

7. Jesus answered and said unto him. What I do thou knowest not now: but thou shalt know hereafter.

8. Peter saith unto him. Thou shalt never wash my feet.

Jesus answered him.

If I wash thee not, thou hast no part with me.

9. Simon Peter saith unto him. Lord, not my feet only, but

my hands and my head.

10. Jesus saith to him.

He that is washed needeth not save to wash

his feet, but is clean every whit: and ve are clean.

but not all.

11. For he knew who should

betray him; therefore said he. Ye are not all clean.

12. So after he had washed their feet. and had taken his garments, and was set down again.

he said unto them,

Know ye what I have done

13. Ye call me Master and Lord; and ve say well: for so Lam

14. **If** I then.

your Lord and Master.

have washed your feet; ye also ought to wash one another's feet.

15. For I have given you an example, that

ye should do as I have

done to you.

16. Verily, verily, I say unto you,

The servant is not greater

than his lord; neither he that is sent greater than he that sent him. 17. If ye know these things, happy are ve if ve do them.

18. I speak not of you all:

I know whom I have chosen; but that the scripture may be fulfilled.

He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.

19. Now I tell you before it come, that, when it is come to pass, ve may believe that I am he.

20. Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that receiveth whomsoever I send. receiveth me: and he that receiveth. me receiveth him that sent me

21. When Jesus had thus said.

he was troubled in spirit. and testified, and said, Verily, verily. I say unto you, that

one of you shall betray me.

22. Then the disciples looked one on another, doubting of whom he spake.

23. Now there was leaning on Jesus' bosom one of his disciples, whom Jesus loved.

24. Simon Peter therefore

beckoned to him.

that he should

ask who it should be

of whom he spake.

25. **He** then lying on Jesus' breast saith unto him.

Lord, who is it?

26. Jesus answered, He it is, to whom I shall give a sop. when I have dipped it.

And when he had dipped the sop.

he gave it to Judas

Iscariot, the son of Simon.

27. And after the sop

Satan entered into him.

Then said Jesus unto him. That thou doest,

do quickly.

28. Now no man at the table knew for what intent he spake this unto him.

29. For some of them thought, because Judas had the bag, that Jesus had said unto him, Buy those things that we have need of against

the feast; or, that he should give

something to the poor.

30. He then having received the sopwent immediately

out: and it was night.

31. Therefore, when he was gone out, Jesus said, Now is the Son of man glorified, and God

is glorified in him.

32. If God be glorified in him, God
shall also glorify him in himself, and

shall straightway glorify him.

33. Little children, yet a little while I am with you. Ye shall seek me: and as I said unto the Jews, Whither I go, ye

cannot come; so now I say to you.

34. A new commandment I

aive unto you.

give unto you,
That ye love one another; as
I have loved you, that ye also love
one another.

35. By this shall all men
know that ye are
my disciples,

if ye have love one to another.

■ 36. Simon Peter said unto him, Lord, whither goest thou?

Jesus answered

him, Whither I go,

thou canst not follow me
 now; but thou shalt follow
 me afterwards.

■ 37. **Peter said** unto him, Lord, why cannot I follow thee now?

I will lay down my life forthy sake.

38. Jesus answered him, Wilt thou lay down thy life for my sake? Verily, verily, I say unto thee,

The cock shall not crow, tillthou hast denied me thrice.

CHAPTER 14

1. Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in

God, believe also in me.
2. In my Father's house are

2. In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so. I would have told you.

■ I go to prepare a

■ place for you.

3. And if I go

and prepare a place for you,

I will come again, and

■ | receive you unto myself;

that where I am, there ye may be also.

4. And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

5. Thomas saith unto him, Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and

how can we know the way?

■ 6. Jesus saith unto him,

I am the way, the truth, and
 the life: no man cometh
 unto the Father, but by me.

7. If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also: and from henceforth ye know him, and have seen him.

8. Philip saith unto him, Lord,shew us the Father,

and it sufficeth us.

9. Jesus saith unto him, Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip?

he that hath seen me hath
 seen the Father; and how sayest
 thou then, Shew us the Father?

■ 10. Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the

Father in me? the words that I speak unto you

I speak not of myself: but
 the Father that dwelleth
 in me. he

doeth the works.

11. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.

me for the very works' sake.
12. Verily, verily, I say unto you,

He that believeth on me, the

works that I do shall he do also; and greater works than these shall he do;

because I go unto my Father.

13. And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I

do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son.

14. If ye shall ask any thing in my name. I will do it.

15. If ye love me, keep my commandments.

■ 16. And I will pray the

Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that

- he may abide with you for ever: 17. Even the Spirit of truth: whom the world cannot receive. because it seeth him not neither knoweth him: but ve know him: for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you. 18. I will not leave you comfortless: I will come to you.
- 19. Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more: but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also.

20. At that day ve shall know that I am in my Father, and ve in me. and I in you.

21. He that hath my commandments, and

keepeth them, he it is that

loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and

I will love him, and will

manifest myself to him.

22. Judas saith unto him.

not Iscariot, Lord.

how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself

unto us, and not unto the world?

23. Jesus answered and said unto him.

If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him.

and we will come unto him, and

make our abode with him. 24. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye

hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me.

25. These things have I

spoken unto you.

being yet present with you.

26. But the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost, whom the Father will send in my name, he

shall teach you all things, and bring all things to your

remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.

27. Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world giveth, give I unto you.

Let not your heart be ■ I troubled, neither

let it be afraid

28. Ye have heard how I said unto you.

I go away, and come again unto you.

If ye loved me, ye would

rejoice, because I said, I ao unto the Father: for my

Father is greater than I.

29. And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ve might believe.

30. Hereafter I will not talk

much with you:

for the prince of this world

cometh, and hath nothing in me. 31. But that the world may know that I love the Father; and as the Father gave me commandment, even so I do. Arise, let us ao hence.

CHAPTER 15

1. I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

2. Every branch in me

- that beareth not fruit he
- taketh away: and every branch that beareth fruit.

he purgeth it, that it may

bring forth more fruit. 3. Now ye are clean through

the word which I have spoken unto you.

> 4. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear

fruit of itself.

except it abide

in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me.

5. I am the vine.

ve are the branches:

He that abideth in me.

and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit:

for without me ye can do nothing. 6. If a man abide not in me.

he is cast forth as a branch.

and is withered; and men gather them, and cast them into the fire. and they are

burned.

7. **If ye abide in me, and my** words abide in you, ye shall

- ask what ye will, and it shall be done unto you.
 - Herein is my Father glorified, that ye bear much fruit; so shall ye be my disciples.
- 9. As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you:

continue ye in my love.

- 10. If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love
- 11. These things have I spoken unto you,
- that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy

might be full.

- 12. This is my commandment, That ye love one
 another, as I have loved you.
- 13. Greater love hath no man than this, that
- a man lay down his life for his friends.
 - 14. Ye are my friends, if ye do whatsoever I command you.
- 15. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant knoweth not what his lord doeth:
- but I have called you friends; for all th
 - friends; for all things that I have heard of my Father
- I have made known unto you.
- 16. Ye have not chosen me, but
 I have chosen you, and
 ordained you, that ye
 should go and bring forth
 fruit, and that your fruit should

remain: that
whatsoever ye shall ask of

- the Father in my name, he may give if you.
 17. These things I command you, that
 - 17. These things I command you, that ye love one another.
- 18. If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.
 - 19. If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, but
 - I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world

hateth you.

- 20. Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord.
- I If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute
- **YOU;** if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also.
- 21. But all these things will they do unto you for my
- name's sake, because they know not him that sent me.
- 22. If I had not come and spoken unto them,
- they had not had sin: but now they have no cloak for their sin.
- 23. He that hateth me hateth my Father also.
 - 24. If I had not done among them the works which none other man did, they had not had sin: but now have they both seen and hated both me and my Father.
- 25. **But** this cometh to pass,
- that the word might be
- fulfilled that is written in their law,
- They hated me without a cause.
- 26. But when the Comforter
- is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, which proceedeth from the Father.
- he shall testify of me:
- 27. And ye also shall bear
- with me from the beginning.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. These things have I spoken unto you, that ye should not be offended.
- 2. They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the
- time cometh. that
- whosoever killeth you
- will think that he doeth
- God service.
 - 3. And these things will they do unto you, because they have not known the Father, nor me.
- 4. But these things have I told you, that when the

time shall come,
 ye may remember that I told you of them. And these things I said not unto you at the beginning, because I was with you.

5. But now I go my way to him that sent me; and none of you asketh me, Whither goest thou?

- 6. But because I have said these things unto you,
- sorrow hath filled your heart.
 - 7. Nevertheless I tell you the truth;
- It is expedient for you
- that I go away:
- for if I go not away.
- the Comforter will not come

unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

- 8. **And** when he is come,
- he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness,
 and of judgment:
 - 9. Of sin, because they believe not on me;
 - 10. Of righteousness, because I go to my Father, and ye see me no more;
 - 11. Of judgment, because the prince of this world is judged.
- 12. I have yet many things to say unto you,
- but ye cannot bear ■ them now.
 - 13. Howbeit
- when he,
- the Spirit of truth, is come,
 the will guide you into all
- truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak:
- and he will shew you thingsto come.
 - 14. **He shall glorify me:** for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew *it* unto you.
 - 15. All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.
- 16. A little while, and ye
 shall not see me: and
 again, a little while, and ye
 shall see me, because I go

- to the Father.
- 17. Then said some of his disciples among themselves.
- disciples among themselves,
 What is this that he saith
 - unto us, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me: and, Because I go to the Father?
 - 18. They said therefore, What is this that he saith, A little while?
- we cannot tell what he saith.
- 19. Now Jesus knew that
- they were desirous to ask■ him, and said

unto them, Do ye inquire among yourselves of that I said, A little while, and ye shall not see me: and again, a little while, and ye shall see me?

20. Verily, verily,

I say unto you, That ye shall weep and lament, but the world shall rejoice:

and ve shall be sorrowful.

but your sorrow shall be turned into joy.

- 21. A woman when she is in travail hath sorrow,
 - because her hour is come:
- but as soon as she isdelivered of the child, she
- remembereth no more the anguish, for joy that a man is born into the world.
- 22. And ye now therefore have sorrow: but I will see you again,

and your heart shall rejoice,

and your joy no man taketh from you.

23. And in that day ye shall ask me nothing. Verily, verily, I say unto you, Whatsoever ye shall ask

Whatsoever ye shall ask
 the Father in my name, he
 will give it you.

24. Hitherto have ye asked nothing in my name:

ask, and ye shall receive,that your joy may be full.

25. These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs: but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you

plainly of the Father.

26. At that day ye shall ask in my name: and I say not unto you, that I will pray the Father for you:

27. For the Father himself loveth you, because ye

have loved me,

and have believed that
I came out from God.
28 L came forth from the Father

28. I came forth from the Father, and am come into the world: again,

- I leave the world, and go to the Father.
- 29. His disciples said unto him, Lo,
- now speakest thou plainly, and speakest no proverb.
 30. Now are we sure that
- thou knowest all things, and needest not that any man should ask thee:
- by this we believe that thou camest forth from God.
- 31. Jesus answered them, Do ye now believe?
- 32. Behold, the hour cometh, yea, is now come,
- that ye shall be scattered, every man to his own,
- and shall leave me alone: and yet I am not alone, because the Father is with me.
- 33. These things I have spoken unto you.
- that in me ye might have
- peace. In the world ye shall
- have tribulation: but be of
- good cheer; I have overcome the world.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. These words spake
- Jesus, and lifted up his eyes to heaven, and
- said, Father, the hour is come; glorify thy Son,

that thy Son also may glorify thee: 2. As thou hast given him power over all flesh,

- that he should give eternal life to as many as thou
- hast given him.3. And this is life eternal,

- that they might know thee the only true God.
 - and Jesus Christ,
- 4. I have glorified thee on the earth:
- I have finished the workwhich thou gavest me to do.
- 5. And now, O Father, glorify
- thou me with thine own self with
- the glory which I had with thee before the world was.
 - 6. I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.
 - 7. Now they have known that all things whatsoever thou hast given me are of thee.
- 8. For I have given unto them
 the words which thou
 agvest me:

and they have received them, and have known surely that I came out from thee, and they have believed that thou didst send me.

9. I pray for them:

- I pray not for the world, but
 for them which thou hast
 given me: for they are thine.
 - 10. And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.
 - 11. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee.
- Holy Father, keep through thine own name those
 whom thou hast given me, that they may be one,
- as we are.
 - 12. While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: those that thou gavest me I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition; that the scripture might be fulfilled.
- 13. And now come I to thee;
 and these things I speak in the world,
 that they might have my joy
- fulfilled in themselves.
 - 14. I have given them thy word; and the world hath hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am

not of the world.

- 15. I pray not that thou
- shouldest take them out of the world, but
- that thou shouldest
- keep them from the evil.
 - 16. They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.
- 17. Sanctify them through ■ thy truth: thy word is truth.
 - 18. As thou hast sent me into the world, even so have I also sent them into the world.
 - 19. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, that they also might be sanctified through the truth.
- 20. Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word:
 - 21. That they all may be one: as thou. Father, art in me.
- and I in thee.
- that they also may be one in us: that the world may
- believe that thou hast sent me.
 - 22. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one:
- 23. I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made
- perfect in one:

and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.

- 24. Father, I will that they also, whom thou hast given me. be with me where I am: that
- they may behold my glory, which thou hast given me:
- for thou lovedst me before
- the foundation of the world.
- 25. O righteous Father, the world hath not known thee: but I have known

thee, and these have known that thou hast sent me.

26. And I have declared unto them thy name, and will declare it: that the love wherewith thou hast loved me may be in them. and I in them.

CHAPTER 18

- When Jesus had spoken these words.
- he went forth with his
- disciples over the brook Cedron. where was a garden, into the which he entered, and his disciples. 2. And Judas also, which betraved
 - him, knew the place: for Jesus ofttimes resorted thither with his disciples.
- Judas then, havina received a band of men
 - and officers from the chief priests and Pharisees.
- cometh thither with lanterns and torches and weapons.
- 4. **Jesus** therefore.
- knowing all things that should come upon him, went forth, and
- said unto them.

- Whom seek ye?
- They answered him.
- Jesus of Nazareth.
- Jesus saith unto them. I am *he.* And Judas
 - also, which betraved him,
- stood with them.
- 6. As soon then as he had said unto them.
- 1 am he, they went backward, and fell to the around.
- 7. Then asked he them again. Whom seek ye? And
- they said, Jesus of Nazareth.
- 8. Jesus answered, I have told you that I am *he:* if
- therefore ye seek me, let these go their way:
- 9. That the saying might be
- fulfilled, which he spake,
- Of them

- which thou gavest me have I lost none.
 - 10. Then Simon
- Peter having a sword drew it, and
- smote the high priest's servant, and cut off his right ear.
 - The servant's name was Malchus.
 - Then said Jesus unto Peter.
 - Put up thy sword

into the sheath:

the cup which my Father hath given me, shall I not drink it?

12. Then the band and the captain and officers of

the Jews took Jesus. and bound him.

13. And led him away to Annas first; for he was father in law to Caiaphas,

which was the high priest that same year.

14. Now Caiaphas was he, which gave counsel to the Jews, that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

15 And Simon Peter followed Jesus, and so did another disciple:

> that disciple was known unto the high priest, and went in with Jesus into the palace of the high priest.

16. But Peter stood at the door without.

Then went out that other

disciple, which was known unto the high priest.

and spake unto her that kept the door, and brought in Peter.

17. Then saith the damsel that kept the door unto Peter.

Art not thou also one of this man's disciples?

He saith. I am not.

18. And the servants and

officers stood there, who had made a fire

of coals: for it was cold:

and they

warmed themselves: and

Peter stood with them, and

warmed himself.

19. The high priest then asked Jesus

of his disciples, and

of his doctrine.

20. **Jesús answered** him,

I spake openly to the world; I ever taught in the synagogue, and in the temple, whither the

Jews always resort;

and in secret have I said nothina.

21. Why askest thou me?

ask them which heard me. what I have said unto them: behold, they know what I said.

22. And when he had thus spoken.

one of the officers

which stood by

struck Jesus

with the palm of his hand.

savina. Answerest thou the high priest so?

23. Jesus answered him. If I have spoken evil, bear witness of the evil: but if well.

why smitest thou me?

24. Now Annas had

sent him bound

unto Caiaphas the

high priest.

25. And Simon Peter stood and warmed himself. They said therefore unto him.

Art not thou also *one* of his

disciples? He denied it, and said. I am not.

26. One of the servants of the high priest, being his

kinsman whose ear Peter cut off.

saith. Did not I see thee in the aarden with him?

27. Peter then denied again:

and immediately

the cock crew.

28. Then led they Jesus from Caiaphas unto the hall of

judament: and it was early; and they themselves went not into the judgment hall, lest they should be defiled: but that they might eat the passover.

29. Pilate then

went out unto them, and

said. What accusation bring ye against this man?

30. They answered and said unto him.

If he were not a malefactor.

we would not have

delivered him up unto thee.

31. Then said Pilate

unto them, Take ye him, and

- judge him according to
 your law. The Jews therefore
 said unto him.
 It is not lawful for us to put
 - any man to death:
 32. That the saying of Jesus might be
 - fulfilled, which he spake, signifying what death he should die.
- 33. Then Pilate entered into the judgment hall again, and
- called Jesus, and said unto him.
- Art thou the King of the Jews?
- 34. Jesus answered him,
- Sayest thou this thingof thyself,

or did others tell it thee of me?

- 35. Pilate answered. Am I a
- Jew? Thine own nation and the chief priests have delivered thee unto me:
- what hast thou done?

 36 Jesus answered, My
- kingdom is not of this
- world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence.
- 37. Pilate therefore said unto him.
- Art thou a king then? Jesusanswered, Thou sayest
- that I am a king. To this end was I born, and for this cause
- came I into the world,
- that I should bear witness unto the truth. Every one that is
- of the truth heareth my voice.

 38. **Pilate saith** unto him.
- 1 38. Pilate saith unto him
 What is truth? And

when he had said this,

- he went out again unto the Jews, and saith unto them.
- Jews, and salin unto them,
 I find in him no fault at all.
- 1 find in him no fault at all.
 39. But ye have a custom.
- that I should release unto you
- one at the passover: will ye
 therefore that I release
- unto you
- the King of the Jews?40. Then cried they

all again, saying,

- | Not this man, but
- Barabbas. Now Barabbas was
- a robber.

CHAPTER 19

- 1 1. Then Pilate
 - therefore took Jesus, and
 - scourged him.
- 2. And the soldiers platted
 a crown of thorns, and put
 it on his head, and they put
- on him a purple robe,
- 3 And said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands
- 4. Pilate therefore went forth again, and saith unto them,

Behold, I bring him forth to you, that ye may know that

- I find no fault in him.
- 5. Then came Jesus forth, wearing the crown of thorns, and the purple robe.
- And Pilate saith unto them,
- Behold the man!
- 6. When the chief priests therefore
- and officers saw him, they
- cried out, saying,
- Crucify him, crucify him.
- Pilate saith unto them,
- Take ye him, and crucify
- him: for I find no fault in him.
- 7. The Jews answered
 him, We have a law, and by our law
 he ought to die, because he
- made himself the
- Son of God.

 8. When Pilate therefore
- heard that saying, he was
- afraid:
- 9. And went again into the judgment hall, and
- saith unto Jesus, Whenceart thou? But Jesus gavehim no answer.
- 10. Then saith Pilate unto him,
- Speakest thou not
- unto me? knowest thou not that
- I have power to ■ crucify thee.
 - and have power to release thee?

- 11 Jesus answered, Thou couldest have no power at all against me.
- except it were given thee from above:

therefore he that delivered me unto thee hath the greater sin.

12. And from thenceforth

- Pilate sought to release him: but the Jews cried out. saving.
- If thou let this man go, thou art not Caesar's friend:

whosoever maketh himself a king speaketh against Caesar.

■ 13. When Pilate therefore

■ heard that saying,

he brought Jesus forth,

and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called the Pavement, but in the Hebrew, Gabbatha.

14. And it was the preparation of the passover, and about the sixth hour:

- **and he saith** unto the Jews,
- Behold your King!
- 15. But they cried out, Away with him,

■ away with *him*, crucify him.

- Pilate saith unto them,
- Shall I crucify your King?
- The chief priests answered, ■ We have no kina
- we have no kii
- but Caesar.
- 16. Then delivered he him therefore unto them
- to be crucified. And they
- took Jesus, and led him away.
 And he begring his
- cross went forth into
- a place

called the place of a skull, which is

- **called** in the Hebrew
- Golgotha:
- 18. Where they crucified him, and two other
- with him, on either side one, and Jesus in the midst.
- 19. And Pilate wrote a title, and put it on the cross.

And the writing was,

- JESUS OF NAZARETH THE KING OF THE JEWS.
 - 20. This title then read many of the

Jews: for the place where Jesus was crucified was nigh to the city: and it was written in Hebrew, and Greek. and Latin.

- 21. Then said the chief
- priests of the Jews to Pilate,
- Write not, The King of the
- Jews; but that he said, I am
- King of the Jews.
- 22. Pilate answered, What I
- have written I have written.
 - 23. Then the soldiers, when they had crucified Jesus.
 - took his garments, and made four parts, to every soldier a part:
- and also *his* coat:

now the coat was

■ without seam,

woven from the top throughout.

■ 24. They said

therefore among themselves,

- Let us not rend it, but cast
- lots for it, whose it shall be:
- that the scripture might be
- fulfilled, which saith,
- They parted my raiment among them,
- and for my vesture they didcast lots. These things therefore
- the soldiers did.

 25. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus his mother,
 - and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleophas, and Mary Magdalene.
- 26. When Jesus therefore saw his mother, and the
- disciple standing by,
- whom he loved, he saith unto his mother.
- Woman, behold thy son!
- 27. Then saith he to the
- disciple, Behold thy mother! And from that hou
 - **mother!** And from that hour that disciple took her unto his own home.
 - 28. After this, Jesus knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the scripture might be fulfilled.
- saith, I thirst.

29. Now there was set a vessel full of vinegar:

- and they filled a sponge
- | with vinegar,

and put it upon hyssop,

- and put it to his mouth.
- 30. When Jesus therefore had received the vinegar, he
- said, It is finished:
 and he bowed his head.
- and gave up the ghost.
- 31. The Jews therefore, because it was the preparation, that the bodies should not remain upon the cross on the sabbath day, (for that sabbath day was an high day.)
- besought Pilate that their legs might be broken,

and that they might be taken away.

■ 32. **Then** came

■ the soldiers, and

brake the legs of the first, and of the other which was

- crucified with him.
 33. But when they came to
- Jesus, and saw that he
- was dead already,
- | they brake not his legs:
 - 34. But one

of the soldiers with a spear

- pierced his side, and
- forthwith came there out
- blood and water.
 - 35. And he that saw it bare record, and his record is true: and he knoweth that he saith true, that ye might believe.
- 36. For these things were
- done, that the scripture
- should be fulfilled, A bone
- of him shall not be broken.
- 37. And again another scripture saith,
- They shall look on him whom they pierced.
- 38. **And** after this
 - Joseph of Arimathaea, being a disciple of Jesus, but secretly for fear of the Jews.
- besought Pilate that he might take away the body of Jesus:
- and Pilate gave him leave.
 He came therefore,

and took the body of Jesus.

- 39. And there came also
- Nicodemus, which at the first

came to Jesus by night,

- and brought a mixture of myrrh and aloes, about an hundred pound weight.
- 40. Then took they the body of Jesus,
- and wound it in linen clothes with the spices, as the manner
- of the Jews is to bury.

 41. Now in the place
 - where he was crucified
- there was a garden; and in the garden
- a new sepulchre.
- wherein was never man yet laid.
- 42. There laid they Jesus therefore because of the Jews' preparation day; for the sepulchre was nigh at hand.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. The first day of the week cometh Mary Magdalene
- early,

when it was yet dark, unto the sepulchre.

- and seeth the stone taken
 - **away** from the sepulchre.
- 2. Then she runneth, and cometh
- to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple,
 whom Jesus loved.

and saith unto them,

- They have taken away the
- LORD out of the sepulchre, and we know not where they have laid him.
- 3. **Peter** therefore went forth,
- and that other disciple, and
 came to the sepulchre.
- 4. So they ran both together: and the other disciple did
- outrun Peter.
 - and came first to the sepulchre.
- 5. And he stooping down, and looking in,
- saw the linen clothes lying, yet went he not in.
- 6. Then cometh Simon Peter following him,
- and went into the
 - sepulchre, and seeth the
- linen clothes lie.

7. And the napkin, that was about his head.

> not Iving with the linen clothes. but wrapped together

- in a place by itself.
 - 8. Then went in also that other disciple, which came first to the sepulchre, and he saw, and believed. 9. For as yet they knew not the scripture, that he must rise again from the dead.
- 10. Then the disciples went away again unto their own home.
 - 11. But Mary stood

- without at the sepulchre weeping: and as she wept, she stooped down, and
 - looked into the sepulchre.
 - 12. And seeth two angels in white sitting, the one at the head, and the other at the feet, where the body of Jesus had lain.
- 13. And they say unto her, Woman,
- why weepest thou? She
- saith unto them.
- Because they have taken away my LORD, and I know not
- where they have laid him.
- 14. And when she had thus said, she turned herself back. and saw Jesus standing.
- and knew not that it was Jesus.
- 15. Jesus saith unto her. Woman. why weepest thou?
- whom seekest thou? She, supposing him to be the gardener, saith unto him,
- Sir. if thou have borne him hence.
- tell me where thou
- hast laid him. and I will take him away.
- 16. **Jesus saith** unto her,
- Mary. She turned herself.
- and saith unto him,
- Rabboni: which is to sav. 8 Master.
- 17. **Jesus saith** unto her,
- | Touch me not: for I am not vet ascended to my Father:
- but go to my brethren, and **SQY** unto them,

- I ascend unto my Father, and your Father; and to my God, and your God.
- 18. Mary Magdalene came and
 - told the disciples that she had seen the LORD, and
 - that he had spoken these things
- unto her.
- 19. Then the same day at evening.
- being the first day of the week.
- when the doors were shut where the disciples were
- assembled for fear of the Jews. came Jesus
- and stood in the midst
- and saith unto them.
- Peace be unto you.
- 20. And when he had so said,
- he shewed unto them his hands and his side. Then
 - were the disciples glad, when they saw the LORD.
- 21. Then said Jesus to them
- again, Peace be unto you: as my Father hath sent me.
- even so send I you. 22. And when he had said this.
- he breathed on them.
- and saith unto them.
- Receive ye the Holy Ghost:
- 23. Whose soever sins ye remit, they
- are remitted unto them:
- and whose soever sins ve
- retain, they
 - are retained.
- 24. **But Thomas,** one of the twelve, called Didymus.
- was not with them when Jesus came.
- 25. The other disciples therefore
- said unto him. We have
- seen the LORD. But he said unto them.
- Except I shall see in his hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the
- print of the nails,
- and thrust my hand into his side, I will not believe.

26. And after eight days again his disciples were within, and Thomas with them. then came

- Jesus, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst.
- and said. Peace be unto you. 27 Then saith he to Thomas. Reach hither thy finger, and
- behold my hands; and reach hither thy hand, and thrust it into my side: and be not faithless.

but believing.

- 28. And Thomas answered and said unto him.
- My LORD and my God.
 - 29. Jesus saith unto him. Thomas.
- because thou hast seen me. thou hast
- believed: blessed are they that have not seen, and vet
- have believed. 30. And many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence
- of his disciples.
- which are not written in this book:
- 31. But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus
- is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ve might have life through his name.

CHAPTER 21

- 1. After these things Jesus shewed himself again to the disciples at the sea of Tiberias; and on this wise shewed he himself.
- 2. There were together Simon Peter, and Thomas called Didymus.
- and Nathangel
- of Cana in Galilee. and the sons of Zebedee,
- and two other of his
- disciples.
- 3 Simon Peter saith unto them, ■ I go a fishing. They say unto him.
- We also go with thee.
- They went forth.
 - and entered into a ship immediately;
 - and that night they

cauant nothina.

- 4. But when the morning was now
- come, Jesus stood on the
- shore: but the disciples knew not that it was Jesus
 - 5. Then Jesus saith unto them. Children, have ye any meat? They answered him,

No.

- And he said unto them.
 - Cast the net
 - on the right side

of the ship, and ye shall find.

- They cast therefore,
 - and now they
- were not able to draw it for the multitude of fishes.
- 7. Therefore that disciple whom Jesus loved saith unto Peter
- It is the Lord. Now when Simon
- Peter heard that it was the Lord.
 - he girt his fisher's coat unto him. (for he was naked.) and did
- cast himself into the sea.
- 8. And the other disciples came in a little ship; (for they were not far from land, but as it were two hundred cubits.)
- dragging the net with fishes.
 - 9. As soon then as they were come to land.
- they saw a fire of coals there, and fish laid thereon,
- and bread. 10. Jesus saith unto them, Bring of the fish which ve have now caught.
 - 11. Simon Peter went up, and drew the net to land full of great fishes, an hundred and fifty and three; and for all there were so many, yet was not the net broken
- 12 Jesus saith unto them
- Come and dine. And none of the disciples durst ask him, Who art thou? knowing that it was the Lord.
- 13. Jesus then cometh, and
- taketh bread, and giveth them, and fish likewise.
 - 14. This is now the third time that

Jesus shewed himself to his disciples, after that he was risen from the dead.

15. So when they had dined. Jesus saith to

Simon Peter, Simon, son of Jonas,

lovest thou me more than these? He saith unto him.

Yea. Lord:

thou knowest that I love thee.

He saith unto him.

Feed my lambs.

16. **He saith** to him again

the second time. Simon. son of Jonas

lovest thou me? He saith unto him.

Yea. Lord:

thou knowest that I love thee.

He saith unto him.

Feed my sheep.

17. **He saith** unto him the

third time, Simon, son of Jonas.

lovest thou me? Peter was **grieved** because he said unto him

the third time. Lovest thou me? And he said unto him.

Lord, thou knowest all things: thou knowest that I love

thee. Jesus saith unto him.

Feed my sheep.

18. Verily, verily, I say unto thee,

When thou wast young.

thou girdest thyself, and

walkedst whither thou wouldest: but when

thou shalt be

old, thou shalt stretch forth thy hands, and

another shall gird thee,

and carry thee whither thou wouldest not.

19. This spake he, signifying by what death he should

glorify God. And when he had spoken this, he saith unto him. Follow me

20. Then Peter, turning about, seeth the disciple whom

Jesus loved following: which also leaned on his breast at supper, and said. Lord, which is he that betraveth thee?

21. **Peter** seeing him

saith to Jesus.

Lord. and

what shall this man do?

22. Jesus saith unto him.

If I will that he tarry till I come, what is that to thee? follow thou me.

> 23. Then went this saying abroad among the brethren, that that disciple should not die: vet Jesus said not unto him, He shall not die; but, If I will that he tarry till I come. what is that to thee?

24. This is the disciple which testifieth of these things, and wrote these things; and we know that his testimony is true.

25. And there are also many other things which Jesus

did, the which.

if they should be written

every one, I suppose that even the world itself could not

contain the books that should be written.

Amen.

THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

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CHAPTER 1

- 1 1 The former treatise have 1
- made. O Theophilus.
- of all that
 - Jesus began both
- to do and teach.
 - 2. Until the day in which
- he was taken up, after that
- he through the Holy Ghost
- had given commandments unto the apostles
 - whom he had chosen:
- 3 To whom also he shewed himself alive after his passion.
- by many infallible proofs.

being seen of them forty days, and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God:

- 4. **And, being** assembled together with *them* commanded them
- that they should not depart from Jerusalem, but wait
- for the promise of the Father. which, saith he, ye have heard of me. 5. For John truly baptized with water: but ve shall be baptized with

■ the Holy Ghost

not many days hence.

- 6. When they therefore
- were come
- together, they asked
- of him, saving.
- Lord, wilt thou at this
- time restore again
- the kingdom to Israel?
- 7. And he said unto them
- It is not for you to know
- the times or the seasons.
- which the Father hath out
- in his own power.
- 8. But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy
- Ghost is come upon you:
- and ve shall be witnesses
- unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judaea, and in Samaria, and
- unto the uttermost part
- of the earth. 9. And when he had
 - spoken these things.
 - while they beheld,

he was taken up; and

- a cloud received him out of their sight.
- 10. And while they looked stedfastly toward heaven as he went up, behold,
- two men stood by them
- in white apparel;
- 11 Which also said Ye men of Galilee.
- why stand ve gazing
 - into heaven?
- this same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven.
- shall so come in like manner as ve have seen him ao
- into heaven.
- 12. Then returned they unto **Jerusalem** from the mount called Olivet, which is from Jerusalem a sabbath day's journey.
- 13. **And** when they were come in, they
- went up
 - into an upper room.

where abode both Peter, and James, and John, and Andrew, Philip, and Thomas, Bartholomew, and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon Zelotes, and Judas the brother of James

- 14. These all continued with one accord in prayer and
 - supplication, with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brethren.
- 15. And in those days
- Peter stood

up in the midst of the disciples,

- and said, (the number of names together were about an hundred and twenty,)
 - 16. Men and brethren,
- this scripture must needs
- have been fulfilled.

which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before

- concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus.
 - 17. For he was numbered with us, and had obtained part of this ministry.
- 18. Now this man
- purchased a field with the

reward of iniquity; and falling headlong, he burst asunder in the midst,

and all his bowels

gushed out.

■ 19. And it was known unto

I all the dwellers at

■ | Jerusalem; insomuch as

that field is called

in their proper tongue, Aceldama, that is to say,

■ The field of blood.

20. For it is written in the book of Psalms

■ Let his habitation

be desolate.

and let no man dwell therein:

and his bishopric let another take.

21. Wherefore of these men which have companied

with us all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, 22. Beginning from the baptism of John, unto that same day that he was taken up from us,

must one be ordained to be a witness with us of his resurrection.

23. And they appointed two,
 Joseph called Barsabas, who was surnamed Justus.

■ and Matthias.

■ 24. And they prayed,

and said, Thou,

Lord, which knowest the hearts of all men.

■ shew whether of these two

■ thou hast chosen,

■ 25. That he may take part of

■ this ministry and

apostleship, from which

■ Judas by transgression

fell, that he might go to his own place.

26. And they gave forth their lots;

and the lot fell upon

Matthias; and he was numbered with the eleven apostles.

CHAPTER 2

■ 1. And when the day of

■ Pentecost was fully

come, they were all with

one accord in one place.

2. And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind.

and it filled all the house where they were sitting.

3. And there appeared unto them

cloven tongues like as of fire, and it sat upon each of them.

4. And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and began to speak with other tongues, as the Spirit gave them utterance.

5. **And** there were dwelling at Jerusalem

Jews, devout men,

out of every nation

under heaven.

6. Now when this was noised abroad, the multitude

came together.

and were confounded,

because that every manheard them speak in hisown language.

7. And they were all amazed and marvelled,

saying one to another, Behold,

are not all these which speakGalilaeans?

8. And how hear we every man in our own tongue,

wherein we were born?

9. Parthians, and Medes, and Elamites, and the dwellers in Mesopotamia, and in Judaea, and Cappadocia, in Pontus, and Asia.

10. Phrygia, and Pamphylia, in Egypt, and in the parts of Libya about Cyrene, and strangers of Rome, Jews and proselytes,

11. Cretes and Arabians, we do hear them speak in our tongues the wonderful works of God.

12. And they were

all amazed, and were

in doubt, saying one to another,

■ What meaneth this?

13. Others mocking said,

These men are full

- I of new wine.
- 14. But Peter.

standing up with the eleven,

- lifted up his voice, and
 - Said unto them, Ye men of Judaea, and all ye that dwell at Jerusalem, be this known unto you, and
 - hearken to my words:
- 15. For these are not
- **drunken,** as ye suppose, seeing it is *but* the third hour of the day.
 - 16. But this is that which was
- **spoken by** the prophet
- Joel:
 - 17. And it shall come to pass
- In the last days, saith God,■ I will pour out of my Spirit
- upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

 18. And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:
- 19. And I will shew wonders in heaven above,
- and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: 20. The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come:
- 21. **And** it shall come to pass, that
- whosoever shall call on
- the name of the Lord shall
- ■| be saved.
 - 22. Ye men of Israel,
- hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth,
- a man approved of God among you
- by miracles
 - and wonders and signs,
- which God did by him in the midst of you.
- _ in the midst of you,
- OS ye yourselves also
- know:
- 23. Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God,
- ye have taken, and

by wicked hands have

- I crucified and stain:
- 24. Whom God hath raised
- Up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it.
- 25. For David speaketh
- concerning him, I foresaw the Lord always before my face, for he is on my right hand, that I should not be moved:
 - 26. Therefore did my heart rejoice, and my tongue was glad; moreover also my flesh shall rest in hope:
- 27. Because thou wilt not leave my soul in hell, neither wilt thou suffer
- thine Holy One to see corruption.
 - 28. Thou hast made known to me the ways of life; thou shalt make me full of joy with thy countenance.29 Men and brethren, let me freely
- speak unto you of the patriarch

 David, that he
- is both dead and buried, and his sepulchre is with
 - **US** unto this day.

- 30. Therefore being aprophet, and knowing
- that God had sworn with an eath to him.
- that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh.
- he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne;
- 31. **He** seeing this before
- spake of the resurrection
- of Christ, that his soul was not left in hell, neither his flesh did see corruption.
- 32. This Jesus hath God ■ raised up,
 - whereof we all are witnesses.
- 33. Therefore being by the right hand of God
- exalted, and having received of the Father the promise of the Holy Ghost.
- he hath shed forth this,
- which ye now see
- and hear.
 - 34. For David is not
- ascended into the

- heavens: but he saith himself. The Lord said unto my Lord, Sit thou on my right hand.
 - 35. Until I make thy foes thy footstool.
 - 36. Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly, that
- God hath made the same
- Jesus, whom ye have crucified, both Lord
- and Christ.
- 37. Now when they heard this.
- they were pricked in their heart.
- and said unto Peter and to the rest of the apostles. Men and brethren.
- what shall we do?
- 38. Then Peter said unto them.
- Repent, and be baptized every one of you
- in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins.
- and ye shall receive the aift of
- the Holy Ghost.
 - 39. For the promise is unto you, and to your children, and to all that are afar off, even
- as many as the LORD our God shall call.
 - 40. And with many other words did he testify and exhort, saving, Save vourselves from this untoward generation.
- 41. Then they that gladly
- received his word were
- baptized: and the same day
- there were added unto
- them about three thousand souls.
- 42. And they continued
- stedfastly
- in the apostles' doctrine and
- fellowship, and in
- breaking of
- bread, and in
- prayers.
 - 43. And fear came upon every soul: and many wonders
 - and signs
- were done by the apostles.
 - 44 And all that believed

were together, and

- had all things common; 45. And sold their
- possessions and goods.
 - and parted them to all men,
- as every man had need.
- 46 And they, continuing daily with one accord
 - in the temple, and breaking bread from house to house, did eat their meat with gladness and singleness of heart
 - 47. Praising God, and having favour with all the people.
- And the Lord added to the church daily

such as should be saved.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Now Peter and John went up together
- into the temple at the hour
- of prayer, being the ninth hour. 2. And a certain man lame
- from his mother's womb
- WQS carried, whom they
- laid daily at the gate
- of the temple which is called Beautiful, to ask alms
- of them that entered into the temple:
- 3. Who seeing Peter and **John** about to go into the temple
- asked an alms.
- 4. And Peter, fastening his eyes upon him with John.
- said. Look on us.
 - 5. And he gave heed unto them, expecting to receive something of them. Then Peter said.
- Silver and gold have I none; but such as I have give I thee: In the name of
- Jesus Christ of Nazareth
- rise up
- and walk.
- 7. And he took him

by the right hand.

and lifted *him* up:

and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

- 8. And he leaping up
- stood, and walked, and
- entered with them into

- the temple, walking, and
 leaping, and praising God.
 9 And all the people
 - saw him walking and praising God: 10. And they knew that it was he which sat for alms at the Beautiful gate of the temple: and they
- were filled with wonder and amazement
- at that which had
- happened unto him.
- 11. **And** as the lame man which was healed held Peter and John, all
- the people ran together unto them in the porch that is called Solomon's, greatly wondering.
- 12. And when Peter saw it,
- unto the people, Ye men of Israel,
- why marvel ye at this? or why look ye so earnestly on us, as though by our own power or holiness we had made this man to walk?
- 13. The God of Abraham, and of
- Isaac, and of
- Jacob, the God of our fathers,
 hath glorified his Son
- Jesus; whom ye delivered up, and denied him in the

presence of Pilate, when he was determined to let *him* go.

- 14. But ye denied the Holy One and the Just,
- and desired a murderer to be granted unto you;
- 15. And killed the Prince of
- life, whom God hath
- raised from the dead;
- whereof we are witnesses.
- 16. **And** his name
- through faith in his namehath made this man strong,

whom ye see and know: yea, the faith which is by him hath given him this perfect soundness in the presence of you all.

- 17. **And now,** brethren,
- I wot that through ignorance ye did it, as did also your rulers.
 - 18. **But** those things, which
 - God before had shewed by

- the mouth of all
- his prophets, that Christ should suffer.

he hath so fulfilled.

- 19. Repent ye therefore, and
- be converted, that your sins may be blotted out.
 - when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord.
- 20. And he shall send

 Jesus Christ.
 - which before was preached unto you: 21. Whom the heaven must receive until the times of restitution of all things,
- which God hath spoken by
- the mouth of all his holy prophets since the
- prophers since me
 world began.
- 22. For Moses truly said unto the fathers,
- A prophet shall the Lord your God
- raise up unto you of your brethren, like unto me; him shall ye hear in all things whatsoever he shall say unto you.
- 23. And it shall come to
 pass, that every soul,
 which will not hear that
- prophet, shall

be destroyed from among the people.

- 24. Yea, and all the prophets from Samuel and those that follow after, as many as have spoken, have likewise foretold of these days.
- 25. Ye are the children of the prophets, and
- of the covenant which God
- made with our fathers, saying
- unto Abraham, And in thy seed shall all the kindreds of the earth be blessed.
- 26. Unto you first God,
- having raised up his Son
- Jesus, sent him to bless
- **you**, in turning away every one of you from his iniquities.

CHAPTER 4

1. **And** as they spake unto the people,

the priests,

and the captain of the temple,

- and the
- Sadducees, came
 - upon them.
 - 2. Being grieved that they taught the people, and
- preached through Jesus
- the resurrection from the dead.
- 3. And they laid hands on them, and put them in hold unto the next day:

for it was now eventide.

- 4. Howbeit many of them
- which heard the word
- believed; and the number
- - men was about five thousand.
 - And it came to pass on the morrow. that their rulers, and elders, and scribes.
- 6. And Annas the high
- priest, and
- Caiaphas, and
- John, and Alexander,

and as many as were of the kindred of the high priest.

- were gathered together at Jerusalem.
- 7 And when
 - they had set them in the midst.
- they ask By what power, or by what
- name, have ye done this?
- 8. Then Peter, filled with the Holy Ghost, said

unto them. Ye rulers of the people, and elders of Israel.

- 9. If we this day
- be examined of the good deed done to the
 - impotent man,

by what means he is made whole:

10. Be it known unto you all, and to all the people of

Israel, that by the name of

- Jesus Christ of Nazareth whom ye crucified, whom
- God raised from the dead. even by him doth this man
- stand here before you whole.
 - 11. This is the stone which was

set at nought of you builders.

- which is become the head of the corner.
- 12. Neither is there
- salvation in any other: for there is none other name
- under heaven given among men,
 - whereby we must
- be saved.
- 13. Now when they saw the boldness of Peter and
 - **John.** and perceived that they were unlearned and ignorant men,
- they marvelled; and they took knowledge of them,
- that they had been with Jesus.
- 14. And beholding the man which was
- healed standing with them, they could say nothing
 - against it.
- 15. But when they had commanded them to go aside out of the council,
- they conferred among themselves,
- 16. Saying, What shall
- to these men? for that indeed
- O notable
 - miracle hath been done by them is manifest to all them that dwell in Jerusalem:
- and we cannot deny it.
 - 17. **But that it spread no**
- further among the people,
- 6 let us straitly

- threaten them, that they speak henceforth to no man in this name.
- 18. And they called them, and commanded them not to
- speak at all
- nor teach in the
 - name of Jesus.
- 19. But Peter and John
- answered and said unto them.
- Whether it be right
 - in the sight of God
- to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye.
 - 20. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen

and heard.

21. So when they had

further threatened them,
 they let them go, finding
 nothing how they might
 punish them, because of

the people: for all men
glorified God

for that which was done.

22. For the man was above forty years old, on whom this miracle of healing was shewed.

23. And being let go, they went to their own company.

and reported all that the chief priests and elders

had said unto them.

24 And when they heard that.

they lifted up their voice to God with one accord.

and said, Lord, thou art
God, which hast made

heaven, and earth, and the sea, and **all** that in them is:

25. Who by the mouth of thy servant David hast said, Why did the heathen rage, and the people imagine vain things?

26. The kings of the earth stood up, and the rulers were gathered together against the Lord, and against his Christ.

27. For of a truth against thy holy child Jesus, whom thou hast anointed, both Herod, and Pontius Pilate, with the Gentiles, and the people of Israel, were gathered together,

28. For to do whatsoever thy hand and thy counsel determined before to be done.

29. And now, Lord, behold their threatenings: and grant unto
 thy servants, that with all

thy servants, that with all boldness they may speak thy word,

30. By stretching forth thine hand to heal:

and that signs and
 wonders may be done by
 the name of thy holy child
 Jesus.

31. And when they had

prayed, the place was shaken where they were assembled together;

and they were all filled with the Holy Ghost, and they spake the word of God with boldness.

32. And the multitude of them

■ that believed were of one

heart and of one soul: neither said any of them that aught of the things which he possessed was his own; but they

■ had all things common.

33. And with great power gave the apostles witness

of the resurrection

of the Lord Jesus: and great grace was upon them all.

34. Neither was there any among them

that lacked: for as many as were possessors of lands or houses sold them, and

brought the prices of the things that were sold.

■ 35. And laid them down at

■ the apostles' feet: and

distribution was made

unto every man according as he had need.

36. And Joses, who by the apostles was surnamed Barnabas, (which is, being interpreted, The son of consolation,) a Levite, and of the country of Cyprus,

37. Having land, sold *it*, and brought the money, and laid *it* at the apostles' feet.

CHAPTER 5

■ 1 1. But a certain man named

Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession,

■ 2. And kept back *part* of the

price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain

part, and laid it at the

part, and laid it at the apostles' feet.

■ 3. But Peter said, Ananias,

why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy

■ Ghost, and to keep back

part of the price of the land?

- 4. Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart?
- thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God.
- 5. And Ananias hearingthese words fell down, and
- gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them

that heard these things.

6. And the young men

arose, wound him up, and carried

him out, and buried him.

7. And it was about the space of

■ three hours after, when

his wife, not knowing what was done, came in.

8. And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold

the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much.

9. Then Peter said unto her.

How is it that ye haveagreed together to

tempt the Spirit of the Lord?
behold, the feet of them which have

behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out.

■ 10. Then fell she down straightway at his feet.

■ and yielded up

the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and, carrying her forth, buried her by her husband.

11. And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

12 And by the hands of the apostles were many signs
 and wonders wrought

among the people; (and they were all with one accord in Solomon's porch.

13. And of the rest durst no man join himself to them: but the people

■ 14. And believers were the more

magnified them.

added to the Lord,
 multitudes both of men and women.)
 15. Insomuch that they

| brought forth

the sick into the streets,
and laid them on beds and couches,
that at the least the shadow
of Peter passing by might
overshadow some of

■ them.

■ 16. There came also

a multitude *out* of the cities round about unto Jerusalem.

bringing sick folks,and them which were

and them which were vexed with unclean spirits: and

with unclean spirits: and
 they were healed every one.
 17. Then the high priest

17. Then the high priest rose up,

■ and all they

that were with him, (which is the sect of the Sadducees.) and were filled with indignation,
18. And laid their hands on

18. And laid their hands on the apostles, and put them

in the common prison.

19. But the angel of the Lord by night

opened the prison doors, and brought them forth,

■ and said,

20. Go, stand and speak in the temple to the people all the words of this life.

■ 21. **And** when they heard that,

■ they entered into

■ the temple early in the morning,

and taught. But the highpriest came.

and they that were with him,

and called the council together, and all the senate of the children of Israel

and sent to the prison to have them brought.

22. But when the officers came, and

found them not in the prison, they returned and told.

23. Saying, The prison truly found we shut with all

safety, and the keepers standing without before the doors:

■ but when we had opened,

I we found no man within.

- 24. Now when the high priest and the captain of the temple and the chief priests heard these things, they doubted of them whereunto this would grow.
- 25. Then came one and told them,
- saying, Behold,
- the men whom
- ye put in prison are standing in the temple, and
- teaching the people.

 26. Then went the captain
- 26. Then went the captain with the officers,
- and brought them without violence: for they feared the people, lest they should have been stoned.
- 27. And when they had brought them, they set them before the council: and
- the high priest asked them,28. Saying, Did not we straitly
- command you that ye
- should not feach in this
- name? and, behold, ye have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine, and intend to bring this man's blood upon us.
- 29 Then Peter and the other
 apostles answered and said,
 We ought to obey God
- rather than men.
- 30. The God of our fathers raised up Jesus,
- whom ye slew and hanged on a tree.
 31. **Him hath God exalted**with his right hand
- to be a Prince and a
- Saviour, for to give repentance to Israel, and forgiveness of sins.
- 32. And we are his
- witnesses of these things;
- and so is also the Holy
 Ghost, whom God hath given to
- Ghost, whom God hath given to them that obey him.
- 33. When they heard that,they were cut to the heart, and
- took counsel to slay them.
 - 34. Then stood
 - there up one in the council,
 - a Pharisee, namedGamaliel, a doctor of the

- I IQW. had
- in reputation among all the
- people, and commanded to put the apostles forth a little space;
- 35. And said unto them, Ye men of Israel.
- take heed to yourselves what ye intend to do
 - as touching these men.
- 36. For before these days rose up Theudas,

boasting himself to be somebody; to whom a number of men, about four hundred, joined themselves:

- who was slain; and all, asmany as obeyed him, were
- scattered, and brought to nought.

 37. After this man rose up
- Judas of Galilee

in the days of the taxing, and drew away much people after him:

- he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed.
- 38. And now I say unto you,
- Refrain from these men, and let them alone:
- for if this counsel or
- this work be of men, it will come to nought:
- 39. But if it be of God, ye
- cannot overthrow it; lest
- haply ye be found even to fight against God.
- 40. And to him they agreed:
- and when they had called the apostles, and beaten
- the aposties, and beaten■ them, they commanded
- that they should not speak in the name
- of Jesus, and let them go.
- 41. And they departed from the presence of the council,
- rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer
- shame for his name.
- 42. And daily in the temple,
- and in every house, they ceased not to teach and
 - preach Jesus Christ.

CHAPTER 6

1. And in those days, when the

number of the disciples was multiplied.

there grose a murmuring of

Grecians against the

Hebrews, because their widows were neglected in the daily ministration.

2. Then the twelve

called the multitude of the disciples unto them, and

said. It is not reason that we should leave the word of God and serve tables.

3. Wherefore, brethren, look ■ ye out among you

■ seven men of honest ■ report, full of the Holy

■ Ghost and wisdom, whom

■ we may appoint over ■ this business.

> 4. But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.

5. And the saving pleased the whole multitude:

and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the

Holy Ghost, and

Philip, and

■ Prochorus, and

Nicanor, and

Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolas

a proselyte of Antioch:

6. Whom they set before the apostles: and when they

prayed, they laid

their hands on them.

7. And the word of God

increased; and the number of the

disciples multiplied in

Jerusalem greatly; and a great company of the priests were obedient to the faith.

8. And Stephen, full of faith ■ and power, did great

■ Wonders and miracles among the people.

9 Then there arose certain

of the synagogue, which is called

the synagogue of the Libertines, and Cyrenians, and Alexandrians. and of them of Cilicia and of Asia.

disputing with Stephen.

10. And they were not able to resist the wisdom and

the spirit by which

he spake.

11 Then they suborned men, which

said. We have heard him

speak blasphemous

words against Moses.

and against God.

12. And they stirred up the people, and the elders, and the scribes, and came upon him, and caught him.

and brought him to the council.

13. And set up false witnesses, which said.

This man ceaseth not to speak blasphemous words against this holy place, and the law:

For we have heard him.

say, that this

Jesus of Nazareth

shall destroy this place.

and shall

change the customs which

Moses delivered us. 15. And all that sat in the council,

looking stedfastly on him,

saw his face as it had been the face of an angel.

CHAPTER 7

 Then said the high priest,

Are these things so?

And he said. Men, brethren. and fathers, hearken;

The God of glory appeared

unto our father

Abraham, when he was in Mesopotamia, before he dwelt in Charran

And said

unto him, Get thee out of thy country, and from thy kindred, and

come into the land which I

shall shew thee.

- 4. Then came he out of the land of the Chaldaeans, and dwelt in Charran: and from thence, when his father was dead.
- he removed him into this land, wherein
 - ve now dwell.
 - And he gave him none inheritance in it, no, not so much as to set his foot on; yet he promised that he would give it to him for a possession, and to his seed after him, when as vet he had no child
- And God spake on this wise. That his seed should
- soiourn in a strange land:
- and that they should bring them into bondage, and entreat them evil four hundred years.
 - 7. And the nation to whom they shall be in bondage will I judge, said God:
- and after that shall they come forth, and
- serve me in this place. 8. And he gave him the
- covenant of circumcision: and so Abraham begat
- ISQQC, and circumcised him the eighth day:
- and Isaac begat
- Jacob: and Jacob begat
- the twelve patriarchs.
- 9. And the patriarchs. moved with envy.
- sold Joseph into Egypt: but God was with him.
 - - 10. And delivered him out of all his afflictions, and
- gave him favour and wisdom in the sight of
- Pharaoh king of Egypt; and he
- made him governor over Egypt and all his house.
- 11. Now there came a
 - dearth over all the land of Egypt and Chanaan, and great affliction: and our fathers found no sustenance.
- 12. **But when Jacob heard**
- I that there was corn in | Egypt, he sent out our
- fathers first.
 - 13. And at the second time Joseph was made known to his brethren; and

- Joseph's kindred was made known unto Pharaoh.
- 14. Then sent Joseph, and called his father Jacob to him, and all his kindred.
 - threescore and fifteen souls.
 - 15 So Jacob
 - went down into Egypt, and
- died, he.
- and our fathers.
- 16 And were
- carried over into Sychem, and
- laid in the sepulchre that Abraham bought
 - for a sum of money of the sons of Emmor the father of Sychem.
- 17 But when the time of the promise drew nigh. which God had sworn to Abraham,
- the people grew and multiplied in Egypt.
- 18. Till another king arose, which knew not Joseph.
- 19. The same dealt subtilly with our kindred, and evil
 - entreated our fathers, so that they cast out their young children, to the end they might not live.
- 20. In which time Moses was **born**, and was exceeding fair, and
 - nourished up in his father's house three months:
- And when he was cast out.
 - Pharaoh's dauahter took him up, and
- nourished him for
- her own son.
- 22. And Moses was learned in all the wisdom of the
- Eayptians, and was mighty in words and in deeds.
- 23 And when he was full
- forty years old,

- it came into his heart to
 - visit his brethren the children of Israel.
 - 24. And seeing one of them suffer wrong. he defended
- *him*, and avenged him that was oppressed,
- and smote the Egyptian:
- 25. For he supposed his
 - brethren would have

understood how that
God by his hand would
deliver them: but they
understood not.

26. And the next day he shewed himself unto them as they strove, and would have set them at one again, saying. Sirs, ye are brethren; why do ye wrong one to another?

27. But he that did his neighbour wrong thrust him away, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge over us?

28. Wilt thou kill me, as thou diddest the Egyptian yesterday?

■ 29 Then fled Moses at this saying,

and was a stranger in the land of

■ Madian, where he begat two sons.

30. And when forty years were expired, there appeared to

■ him in the wilderness of

mount Sina an angel of the Lord in a flame of fire

■ in a bush.

31. When Moses saw *it*, he wondered at the sight: and as he drew near to behold *it*,

the voice of the LORD came unto him,

32. Saying, 1 am the God
 of thy fathers, the God of
 Abraham, and the God of Isaac, and
 the God of Jacob. Then Moses
 trembled, and durst not behold.

33. Then said the Lord to him,
Put off thy shoes from thy feet:

for the place

where thou standest

is holy ground.
34. I have seen,

I have seen the affliction of my people which is

in Egypt, and I have heard their groaning, and am come down to deliver them

■ And now come,

■ I will send thee into Egypt.

35. **This Moses** whom they refused, saying, Who made thee a ruler and a judge? the same

did God send to be a ruler and a deliverer by the hand of the angel which appeared to him in the bush.

36. He brought them out,
 after that he had shewed
 wonders and signs

in the land of Egypt, and in the Red sea, and in the wilderness forty years. 37. **This is that Moses, which**

said unto the children of Israel,
A prophet shall the Lord

your God raise up
unto you of your brethren,
like unto me: him

shall ye hear.

38. **This is he**, that was in the church in the wilderness with the angel which spake to him in the mount Sina, and with our fathers: who received the lively oracles to give unto us:

39. To whom our fathers would not obey.

but thrust him from them,

■ and in their hearts

turned back again into Egypt,
 40. Saying unto Aaron,
 Make us gods to go before

■ US: for as for this

Moses, which brought *us* out of the land of Egypt, we wot not what is become of him.

41. And they made a calf in those days,

 and offered sacrifice unto the idol, and rejoiced in the works of their own hands.

42 Then God turned, and agve them up to

gave them up to
worship the host of
heaven: as it is written in

heaven; as it is written in the book of the prophets, O ye house of Israel, have ye offered to me slain beasts and sacrifices by the space of forty years in the wilderness?

43 Yea, ye took up the tabernacle of

Moloch, and the star of your god Remphan, figures which ye made to worship them: and I will carry you away beyond Babylon.

44 Our fathers had the tabernacle of witness in the

- wilderness, as he
- had appointed, speaking unto Moses, that he should
- make it according to the
 - fashion that he had seen. 45. Which also our fathers that came.
 - after brought in with Jesus into the possession of the Gentiles, whom God drave out before the face of our fathers, unto the days of

David:

46 Who found favour before God, and

- desired to find a
- tabernacle for the God of Jacob.
- 47 But Solomon built
- him an house.
- 48 Howbeit the most High dwelleth not in temples made with hands:
- as saith the prophet,
- 49 Heaven is my throne, and earth is my footstool:
- what house will ve build
- me? saith the Lord: or what is the place of my rest?
- 50 Hath not my hand made all these things?
- 51 Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears
- ye do always
- resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did. so do ve.
- 52 Which of the prophets
- have not your fathers
- persecuted? and they have slain them which shewed
 - before of
- the coming of the Just One; of whom ye have been
- now the betrayers and murderers:
 - 53 Who have received the law by the disposition of angels, and have not
- 54 When they heard these ■ I things, they were cut to the
- heart, and they
 - gnashed on him with their teeth.
- 55 **But he.**
 - being full of the Holy Ghost,
 - looked up stedfastly into

- heaven, and saw the glory of God. and Jesus standing on the right hand of God.
- 56 And said, Behold, I see
- the heavens opened, and the
- Son of man
- standing on the right hand
 - of God.
- 57 Then they cried out with
- a loud voice.
 - and stopped their ears.
 - and ran upon him with one accord.
 - 58 And cast him out
 - of the city, and stoned him:
- and the witnesses laid down their clothes at a
- young man's feet, whose
- name was Saul.
- 59 And they stoned
- Stephen, calling upon God, and saying, Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.
 - 60 And he kneeled down, and
- cried with a loud voice.
- Lord, lay not this sin to their
- charae. And
- when he had said this.
- he fell asleep.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. And Saul was consenting
- unto his death. And at that
- time there was a great
- persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem:
 - and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.
 - And devout men carried Stephen to his burial, and made great lamentation over him.
- 3. As for Saul, he made
- havock of the church,
- entering into every house,
- and haling men and
- women committed
- *them* to prison.
 - 4. Therefore they that were scattered abroad went every where preaching the word.
- 5. Then Philip went down to the city of
- Samaria, and preached

- Christ unto them.
- 6. And the people with one accord
- gave heed unto those
 - things which Philip spake. hearing and seeing the miracles which he did
- 7. For unclean spirits. crying with loud voice,
- came out of many
 - that were possessed with them: and many taken with palsies, and that were lame.
- were healed.
- 8. And there was areat iov in that city.
- 9. But there was a certain man, called
- Simon, which beforetime in the same city used sorcery, and
- bewitched the people of
- Samaria, giving out that himself was some
- great one:
- 10. To whom they all gave
- heed, from the least to the greatest, saying. This man is the
- great power of God.
 - 11. And to him they had regard, because that of long time he had bewitched them with sorceries.
- 12. But when they believed
- Philip preaching the things
- concerning the
- kingdom of God, and the name of
- Jesus Christ, they were
- baptized, both men and women.
- 13. Then Simon himself
- believed also: and when he was baptized, he
- continued with Philip,
- and wondered, beholding the miracles and signs which were done.
- 14. Now when the apostles which were at Jerusalem
- heard that Samaria had received the word of God.
- they sent unto them Peter and John:
- 15. Who, when they were come down
- prayed for them,

- that they might receive the Holy Ghost:
- 16. (For as yet he was fallen
- upon none of them: only
 - thev were baptized
 - in the name of the Lord Jesus.)
- 17. **Then laid they their** hands on them, and they
- received the Holy Ghost. 18 And when Simon saw that through laving on of the apostles'
- hands the Holy Ghost was given. he offered them money.
- 19. Savina. Give me also this power. 8
 - that on whomsoever I lay hands, he may receive the Holy Ghost. But Peter said unto him.
- Thy money perish with thee,

because thou hast thought that the gift of God may be purchased with money.

- 21. Thou hast neither part nor lot in this matter: for thy heart is not right
 - in the sight of God.
- 22. Repent therefore of this thy wickedness,
- and pray God, if perhaps the thought of thine heart may be forgiven thee.
 - 23. For I perceive that thou art in the gall of bitterness, and in the bond of iniquity.
- 24. Then answered Simon, and said.
- Pray ye to the LORD for me, that none of these things which ve have spoken
- come upon me.
 - 25. **And thev.**
 - when they had testified and preached the word of the Lord, refurned to Jerusalem.
- and preached the gospel in many villages of
- the Samaritans.
- 26. And the angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying,
 - Arise, and
 - QO toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem
 - unto Gaza, which is desert.

- 27 And he arose and went:
- and, behold,
- a man of Ethiopia, an
 eunuch of great authority
 under Candace queen of
- the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship,
- 28. Was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet.
- 29 Then the Spirit said unto
 Philip, Go near, and join thyself to this chariot.
- 30. And Philip
- ran thither to him, and heard him read the prophet
- Esaias, and said,
 Understandest thou
- what thou readest?
- and thou reduest:
- except some man should
 guide me? And he desired Philip
 that he would come up
 - and sit with him.
- 32. **The** place of the
- scripture which he read
 was this, He was led as a
 sheep to the slaughter;

and like a lamb dumb before his shearer, so opened he not his mouth: 33. In his humiliation his judgment was taken away: and who shall declare his generation? for his life is taken from the earth.

- 34. And the eunuch answered Philip, and
- said, I pray thee, of whomspeaketh the prophet this?
- of himself, or of some other man?

 35. **Then Philip** opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and
- preached unto him Jesus.
- 36. And as they went on their way,
- they came unto a certain water: and the eunuch
- said, See, here is water;
- what doth hinder me to be baptized?
- 37. And Philip said, If thou
- **believest** with all thine heart,
- thou mayest and he
 - **I answered** and said.

- I believe that Jesus Christ ■ is the Son of God.
 - 38. And he commanded the chariot to stand still:
 - and they went down both
- into the water, both Philip and the eunuch;
 - and he baptized him.
- 39. And when they were come up out of the water,
- the Spirit of the Lord
- caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more:
- and he went on his way rejoicing.

 40. But Philip was found at
- Azotus: and passing through
 - he preached in all the cities,
- I till he came to Caesarea.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. **And Saul,** yet breathing out threatenings and slaughter against the disciples of the Lord,
- went unto the high priest,
- 2. And desired of him
- letters to Damascus
 - to the synagogues,
- that if he found any of this
- **Way**, whether they were men or women.
- he might bring them
- bound unto Jerusalem.
- 3. And as he journeyed,
 - he came near Damascus:
- suddenly there shined round about him
- a light from heaven:
- 4. And he fell to the earth,
- and heard a voice saying unto him,
- Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me?
- 5. And he said, Who art
- thou, Lord? And the Lord
- said, I am Jesus whom thou persecutest: it is hard for
- thee to kick against the pricks.
- 6. And he trembling and astonished
- said, Lord, what will thou
- have me to do? And the Lord said unto him. Arise, and
- o into the city, and it shall be

told thee what thou must do. 7. And the men which journeyed with him stood speechless, hearing a voice, but seeing no man.

8. And Saul grose

from the earth:

and when his eves were opened, he saw no man:

but they led him

by the hand, and brought him

into Damascus.

9. And he was three days without sight, and neither

did eat not drink. 10. And there was a certain

disciple at Damascus.

named Ananias: and to

him said the Lord in a vision. Ananias.

> And he said. Behold, I am here, Lord, 11. And the Lord said unto him,

Arise, and go into the street which is called Straight.

and inquire in the house of Judas for one called Saul, of Tarsus: for, behold,

he prayeth,

12. And hath seen in a

vision a man named Ananias comina

in, and putting his hand on him,

that he might receive

his sight.

13. Then Ananias answered. Lord, I have heard

by many of this man.

how much evil he hath

done to thy saints at Jerusalem:

14. And here he hath authority from the chief priests to bind all that call on thy name.

15. But the Lord said

unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel

to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and

the children of

Israel:

16. For I will shew him how great things he must suffer for my name's sake.

17. And Ananias

went his way, and

entered into

the house; and

putting his hands on him said, Brother Saul, the

Lord, *even* Jesus, that

appeared unto thee in the way as thou camest.

hath sent me, that thou mightest receive thy sight.

and be filled with the

Holy Ghost.

18. And immediately

there fell from his eyes as it had been scales: and

he received sight forthwith, and arose.

and was baptized.

19. And when he had received meat. he was strengthened.

Then was Saul certain days with the disciples

which were at Damascus

20. **And** straightway he preached Christ in the synagoques.

that he is the Son of God.

21. But all that heard him.

were amazed, and said; Is not this he that destroyed

them which called on this name in Jerusalem, and came

> hither for that intent, that he might bring them bound unto the chief priests?

22. But Saul increased the more

in strenath, and confounded the Jews

which dwelt at Damascus, proving that this is

very Christ.

23. And after that many days were fulfilled.

the Jews took counsel to kill him:

> 24. But their laying await was known of Saul. And they watched the gates day and night to kill him.

25. Then the disciples took him by night, and let him

down by

the wall in a basket.

26 And when Saul was come to Jerusalem. he assayed to join himself to the disciples: but they were all afraid of him. and believed not that he was a disciple. 27. But Barnabas took him, and brought him to the apostles, and declared unto them how he had seen the Lord in the way, and that he had spoken to him, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. 28. And he was with them coming in and going out at Jerusalem. ■ 29. And he spake boldly in the name of the Lord Jesus, and disputed against the Grecians: but they went about to slav him. 30. Which when the brethren knew, they brought him down to Caesarea, and sent him forth to Tarsus.

31. Then had the churches

rest throughout all Judaea and Galilee and Samaria, and were edified: and walking in the fear of the Lord,

and in the comfort of the Holy Ghost.

were multiplied.

32. And it came to pass, as

Peter passed throughout all quarters, he

came down also

to the saints which dwelt at

Lvdda.

33. And there he found

a certain man named

Aeneas, which had kept his bed eight years, and

was sick of the palsy.

34. And Peter said

unto him. Aeneas.

Jesus Christ maketh thee whole: arise, and make thy bed.

And he arose immediately.

35. And all that dwelt

at Lydda and Saron saw him, and turned to the Lord.

36. Now there was at Joppa

Certain

disciple named Tabitha. which by interpretation is called Dorcas:

this woman was full of aood works

and almsdeeds which she did.

37. And it came to pass in those davs. that

she was sick, and

died: whom when they had washed, they laid her in an upper chamber.

38. And forasmuch as

Lydda was nigh to Joppa.

and the disciples had

heard that Peter was there. they sent unto him two men.

desiring him that he would

not delay to come to them. 39. Then Peter arose and

went with them. When he was come.

they brought him into the

upper chamber: and all the

widows stood by him

weeping, and shewing the coats and garments which Dorcas made, while she was with them.

40. But Peter put them all forth, and

kneeled down,

and prayed; and turning him to the body

said, Tabitha, árise. And

she opened her eyes: and when she saw Peter, she sat up.

41. And he gave her his hand, and lifted her up.

and when he had called the saints and widows. presented her alive.

42. And it was known throughout all Joppa:

and many believed in

the Lord.

43. And it came to pass, that

he tarried

many days

in Joppa

with one

Simon a tanner.

CHAPTER 10

- I 1. There was a certain man
 - in Caesarea called
- Cornelius, a centurion of the band called the Italian band.
- 2. A devout *man*, and one
 - that feared God with all his house, which gave much alms to the people, and prayed to God alway.

■ 3. **He saw in a vision** evidently about the ninth hour of the day

■ an angel

of God coming in to him, and

■ saying unto him,

Cornélius.

4. And when he looked on him, he was afraid, and said, What is it, Lord? And he said unto him,

■ Thy prayers and thine alms

- are come up for a
- memorial before God.
- 5. And now

send men to Joppa, and

- | call for *one* Simon, whose
- surname is Peter:

6. He lodgeth with one Simon a tanner, whose house is by the sea side:

- he shall tell thee what thou
- oughtest to do.7. And when the angel which spake
- unto Cornelius was departed,

 he called two of his household.
- servants, and a devout
 soldier of them that waited on him continually:
- 8. And when he had declared all these things unto them,
- he sent them to Joppa.

 9. On the morrow.
- as they went on their journey, and drew nigh
- unto the city, Peter went up upon the housetop to pray about the sixth hour.
- 10. **And** he became very hungry, and would have eaten: but while they made ready.
- he fell into a trance,
- 11. And saw heaven
- opened, and a certain
- vessel descending unto him.
 - **GS** it had been
- a great sheet knit at the four

- **corners**, and let down to the earth:
- 12. Wherein were all
 - manner of fourfooted
- **beasts** of the earth, and wild beasts.
- and creeping things, and fowls of the air.
- 13. And there came a voice to him, Rise, Peter; kill, and eat.
- 14. But Peter said, Not so,
 - Lord; for I have never eaten
- any thing that iscommon or unclean.
- 15. And the voice spake
- unto him again the second time,
- What God hath cleansed,
 that call not thou
- common
 - 16. This was done thrice: and the vessel was received up again into heaven.
 - 17. Now while Peter doubted in himself
- what this vision

which he had seen

- should mean, behold.
 - the men which were
- sent from Cornelius
 had made inquiry for Simon's house.
 - and stood before the gate,
 - 18. And called, and
- asked whether

Simon, which was surnamed

- Peter, were lodged there.
- 19. While Peter thought on the vision, the Spirit said
 - unto him, Behold,
- I three men seek thee.
- 20. **Arise** therefore, and get thee down.
- and go with them,
- doubting nothing:
- for I have sent them.
- 21. Then Peter went down to the men which were sent unto him from Cornelius; and
- said, Behold, I am he whom
- **ye seek:** what *is* the cause wherefore ve are come?
- 22. And they said, Cornelius the centurion, a just man, and
 - one that feareth God, and of good

report among all the nation of the Jews,

was warned from God

by an holy angel

to send for thee into his house.

and to hear words of thee.

23. Then called he them in, and lodged *them*. And on the morrow Peter went away with them, and certain brethren from Joppa accompanied him.

24. And the morrow after they entered into

They entered into
Caesarea. And Cornelius waited

for them, and he had called together his kinsmen and near friends.

25. And as Peter was coming in.

Cornelius met him.

and fell down at his feet,

■ and worshipped *him*.

26. But Peter took him up,
 saying, Stand up; I myself
 also am a man.

27. And as he talked with him,

■ he went in, and

found many that were come together.

■ 28. And he said unto them,

Ye know how that it is an unlawful thing

uniawiui thing

for a man that is

a Jew to keep company, or
 come unto one of another
 nation; but God hath

shewed me that I should not call any man common

or unclean.

1 29 Therefore

29 Therefore came I unto

YOU without gainsaying, as soon as I was sent for: I ask therefore for what intent ye have sent for me?

■ 30. And Cornelius said, ■ Four days ago I was

fasting until this hour; and at the ninth hour I prayed in my house,

and, behold, a man stood before me in bright clothing,

31. And said, Cornelius, thy prayer is heard, and thine alms

are had in remembrance in the sight of God.

32. Send therefore to

Joppa, and call hither Simon, whose surname is

Peter; he is lodged in the house of one Simon a tanner by the sea side:

■ Who, when he cometh

shall speak unto thee.

33. Immediately therefore I sent to thee; and thou hast well done that thou art come.

Now therefore are we all

here present before God,

to hear all things that are commanded thee of God.

34. Then Peter

opened his mouth, and

said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter

■ of persons:

■ 35. But in every nation he that feareth him. and

worketh righteousness, is accepted with him.

■ 36. The word which God

sent unto the children of Israel, preaching peace by Jes

Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ: (he is Lord of all:)
37. That word, I say, ye know, which

was published throughout all Judaea, and began from Galilee, after the baptism which John preached;

■ 38. How God anointed

Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good, and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with him.

39. And we are witnesses of all things which he did both in the land of the Jews, and in Jerusalem; whom they slew and hanged on a tree:

■ 40. Him God raised up the third day, and shewed him openly;

41. Not to all the people, but unto witnesses chosen before God, even to us, who did eat and drink with him after he rose from the dead.

42. And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he

which was ordained of God to be the Judge of

quick and dead.

- 43. To him give all the prophets witness,
- that through his name whosoever believeth in him shall receive remission of sins.
 - 44. While Peter yet spake these words.
 - the Holy Ghost fell on all them which heard the word.
- 45. And they of the
 circumcision which believed
 were astonished, as many
 as came with Peter.
- because that on the
 Gentiles also was poured
 out the gift of the
- Holy Ghost.
- 46. For they heard them speak with tongues, and magnify God.
- Then answered Peter,
 47. Can any man forbid
 water, that these should
- not be baptized, which have received the
- Holy Ghost as well as we?
 48. And he commanded
 them to be baptized
 - in the name of the Lord. Then prayed they him to tarry certain days

CHAPTER 11

- And the apostles and brethren that were in Judaea heard that the Gentiles had also received the word of God.
- 2. And when Peter was come up to Jerusalem, they that were of the circumcision contended with him.
- 3. Saying, Thou wentest in to
 men uncircumcised, and
 didst eat with them.
- 4. But Peter rehearsed the matter from the beginning,
 and expounded it by order unto them, saying,
 - 5. I was in the city of Joppa praying: and in a trance I saw a vision, A certain vessel descend, as it had been a great sheet, let down from

- heaven by four corners; and it came even to me:
- 6. Upon the which when I had fastened mine eyes, I considered, and saw fourfooted beasts of the earth, and wild beasts, and creeping things, and fowls of the air.
- 7. And I heard a voice saying unto me, Arise, Peter; slay and eat.
- 8. But I said, Not so, Lord: for nothing common or unclean hath at any time entered into my mouth.
- 9. But the voice answered me again from heaven, What God hath cleansed, *that* call not thou common.
- 10. And this was done three times: and all were drawn up again into heaven.
- 11. And, behold, immediately there were three men already come unto the house where I was, sent from Caesarea unto me.
- 12. And the Spirit bade me go with them, nothing doubting. Moreover these six brethren accompanied me, and we entered into the man's house:
- 13. And he shewed us how he had seen an angel in his house, which stood and said unto him, Send men to Joppa, and call for Simon, whose surname is Peter;
- 14. Who shall tell thee words, whereby thou and all thy house shall be saved.15. And as I began to speak, the Holy Ghost fell on them, as on us at the beginning.
- 16. Then remembered I the word of the Lord, how that he said, John indeed baptized with water; but ye shall be baptized with the Holy Ghost.
- 17. Forasmuch then as God gave them the like gift as he did unto us, who believed on the Lord Jesus Christ; what was I, that I could withstand God?

- 18. When they heard these things, they held their peace, and glorified God, saying, Then hath God also to the Gentiles granted repentance unto life.
- 19. Now they which were

- scattered abroad upon the persecution that arose about Stephen travelled as far as Phenice, and Cyprus, and Antioch,
- preaching the word to none
- but unto the Jews only.
- 20. And some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, which, when they were come to Antioch,
- spake unto the Grecians,
 preaching the LORD Jesus.
 - 21. And the hand of the Lord was with them:
- and a great numberbelieved, and turned
- unto the Lord.
- 22. **Then tidings** of these things
- came unto the ears of the church which was
- in Jerusalem: and they sent
- Barnabas, that he should go as far as Antioch.
- 23. Who, when he came, and had seen the grace of God, was glad, and
- exhorted them all, that with purpose of heart they
- would cleave
 - unto the Lord.
- 24. For he was a good man,
- and full of the Holy Ghost
- and of faith: and much people was added unto the Lord.
- 25. Then departed ■ Barnabas to Tarsus, for
- to seek Saul:
- = 10 seek saul:
- 26. **And** when he had found him,
- he brought him unto
- Antioch. And
 - it came to pass, that
- a whole year they
- assembled themselves with the church, and
- taught much people. And
- the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.
- 27. **And** in these days
- came prophets from
- **Jerusalem** unto Antioch.
- 28. And there stood up one of them
- named Agabus, and signified by the Spirit

- | that there should be great ■ | dearth throughout all the
- World: which came to pass in the days of Claudius Caesar.
- 29. Then the disciples, every man according to his ability,
- determined to send relief
- unto the brethren which dwelt
- in Judaea:
 - 30. Which also they did, and sent it to the elders
- by the hands of
- Barnabas and Saul.

CHAPTER 12

- | 1. Now about that time
 - Herod the king stretched
- forth his hands
- to vex certain of the church.
- 2. And he killed James
 the brother of John with the sword.
- 3. And because he saw
- it pleased the Jews, he
- **■** proceeded further
- **to take Peter** also. (Then were the days of unleavened bread.)
- 4. **And** when he had apprehended him.
- he put him in prison, and delivered him to four quaternions of soldiers to keep him; intending after
- Easter to bring him forth to the people.

 5. Peter therefore was kept
- in prison: but prayer was
- made without ceasing of
- the church unto God
- for him.
- 6. And when Herod would
 have brought him forth, the
- same night Peter was
- sleeping between two
- soldiers, bound with two
- **chains:** and the keepers before the door kept the prison.
- 7. And, behold, the angel of
- the Lord came upon him, and a light shined in the prison:
- and he smote Peter
 - on the side,
- | and raised him up, saying,
- Arise up quickly.
 - And his chains fell off

from his hands.

8. And the angel said unto him. Gird thyself, and bind on thy sandals. And so he did. And he

saith unto him.

Cast thy garment about thee, and

follow me.

9. And he went out, and followed him: and wist not that it was true which was done by the angel:

but thought he saw a vision.

10. When they were past the first and the second ward, they came unto the iron gate that leadeth unto the city; which opened to them of his own accord:

and they went out, and passed on through one

■ street: and forthwith

the angel departed from him.

11. And when Peter was come to himself, he said,

Now I know of a surety.

that the LORD hath sent his angel, and hath

delivered me out of the

hand of Herod.

and from all the expectation of the people of the Jews.

12. And when he had considered the thina.

he came to the house of Mary the mother of

John, whose surname was

Mark; where many were gathered together praying.

13. And as Peter knocked at the door of the gate.

a domsel came to hearken. named Rhoda.

14. And when she knew

Peter's voice, she opened not the gate for gladness, but ran in, and

told how Peter stood before the gate.

15. And they said unto her,

Thou art mad. But she constantly affirmed that it was even so. Then said they, It is his angel.

16. But Peter continued

knocking: and when they had

■ opened the door,

and saw him.

they were astonished.

17. But he, beckoning unto them with the hand to hold their peace.

declared unto them

how the Lord had brought him out of the prison. And he said. Go shew these thinas unto James.

and to the brethren.

And he departed.

and went into another place.

18. Now as soon as it was day, there was no small stir among the soldiers. what was become of Peler.

19. And when Herod had sought for him, and found 8 him not, he examined

the keepers, and

commanded that they should be put to death. And he

went down from Judaea to Caesarea, and there abode.

20. And Herod was highly displeased with them of Tyre and Sidon; but they came with one accord to him. and, having made Blastus the king's chamberlain their friend, desired peace: because their country was nourished by the king's country.

21. And upon a set day

Herod, arrayed in royal apparel.

sat upon his throne, and made an oration

unto them.

22. And the people gave a shout, saying, it is the voice of a god.

and not of a man.

23. And immediately the angel of the Lord smote

him, because he gave not God the glory: and he was

eaten of worms, and gave up the ghost.

> 24. But the word of God grew and multiplied.

25. And Barnabas and Saul returned from Jerusalem. when they had fulfilled their ministry,

and took with them

John, whose surname was

| ■ | Mark.

CHAPTER 13

- | 1. Now there were in the
 - Church that was
- at Antioch certain prophets
- and teachers; as
- Barnabas, and Simeon

that was called Niger,

- and Lucius of Cyrene,
- and Manaen, which had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch,
- and Saul.
- 2. As they ministered to the Lord, and fasted,
- the Holy Ghost said,
- Separate me Barnabas
 - and Saul for the work
- I have called them.
- 3. And when they had fasted and prayed.

and laid their hands on them,

- they sent *them* away.
- 4. So they, being sent forth by the Holy Ghost, departed
- unto Seleucia; and from thence they
 sailed to Cyprus.
- 5. And when they were at Salamis,they preached the word
- of God
 in the synagogues of the
- **Jews:** and they had also John to their minister.
- 6. And when they had gone through the isle unto Paphos,
- they found a certain
- sorcerer, a false prophet,
- a Jew, whose name
- was Barjesus:
- 7. Which was with the
- deputy of the country,Sergius Paulus,
 - a prudent man;
- who called for
- Barnabas and Saul, and desired to hear the word
 - of God.
- 8. But Elymas the sorcerer
- (for so is his name by
- interpretation) withstood
 - them, seeking to turn away
 - the deputy from the faith.

- 9. **Then Soul,** (who also is called Paul,) filled with the Holy Ghost,
- set his eyes on him.
- 10. And said,
- O full of all subtilty and all mischief,
- | thou child of the devil,

thou enemy of all righteousness, wilt thou not cease to pervert the right ways of the Lord?

- 11. And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon thee, and
- thou shalt be blind,
 - not seeing the sun for a season. And
- immediately there fell on
 - him a mist and a
- darkness;

and he went about seeking some to lead him by the hand.

- 12. Then the deputy,
- when he saw what was done,

 believed, being astonished at the
- doctrine of the Lord.
- 13. Now when Paul and his company loosed from
- Paphos, they came to Perga in Pamphylia: and
- John departing from them
- returned to Jerusalem.
- 14. But when they departed from Perga.
- they came to Antioch in
- Pisidia, and went Into the synagogue
 - on the sabbath day, and sat down.
- 15. And after the reading of the law and the prophets
- the rulers of the synagogue sent unto them, saying,

Ye men and brethren,

- if ye have any word of exhortation
- for the people, say on.
- 16. Then Paul stood up, and beckening with his hand
- SQid, Men of Israel, and ye that fear God, give audience.
- 17. **The God** of this people
- of Israel chose our fathers, and exalted the people when they

dwelt as strangers in the land of Egypt, and with an high arm brought he them out of it.

18. And about the time of forty years suffered he their manners in the wilderness.

19. **And** when he had destroyed seven nations in the land of Chanaan,

he divided their land to them by lot.

20. And after that he gave unto

them judges about the space of four hundred and fifty years,

until Samuel the prophet.

21. And afterward they

desired a king; and God.

desired a king: and God gave unto them Saul the son of Cis, a man of the tribe of Benjamin, by the space

of forty years.

22. And when he had removed him, he raised up unto them

David to be their king;

to whom also he gave their testimony, and said. I have found David the *son* of Jesse, a man after mine own heart, which shall fulfil all my will.

23. Of this man's seed hath

■ God according to *his* promise

raised unto Israel a
Saviour, Jesus:

24. When John had first preached before his coming the baptism of repentance to all the people of Israel. 25. And as John fulfilled his

course, he said, Whom think ye that I am? I am not

he. But, behold.

there cometh one after me, whose shoes of his feet I am not worthy to loose.

26. Men and brethren, children of the stock of Abraham, and whosoever among you feareth God,

to you is the word of this salvation sent.

27. For they that dwell at

Jerusalem, and their rulers,

because they knew himnot, nor yet the voices of

 not, nor yet the voices of the prophets which are read every sabbath day.

they have fulfilled *them* in condemning *him*.

28. And though they found no cause of death *in him*, yet desired they Pilate that he should be slain.

29. And when they had

fulfilled all that was written of him, they

took him down from the tree, and laid him in a sepulchre.

30. But God raised him from the dead:

31. And he was seen many days of them which came up with him from Galilee to Jerusalem, who are his witnesses unto the people.

32. And we declare unto you glad tidings, how

that the promise which was made unto the fathers.

33. God hath fulfilled
the same unto us their children.

in that he hath raised up

Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art my Son, this day have I begotten thee.

34. And as concerning that
he raised him up from the dead,
now no more to return
to corruption.

he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David.

35. Wherefore he saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer thine Holy One to see corruption.

36. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, tell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and

saw corruption:

37. But he, whom God raised again, saw no

corruption.

38. Be it known unto you therefore, men and brethren,
 that through this man is preached unto you the

preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:

39. And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

40. **Beware** therefore,

- lest that come upon you. which is spoken of in the prophets;
 - 41 Behold, ye despisers, and wonder, and perish:
- for I work a work in your days, a work
- which ye shall in no wise
- believe, though a man declare it unto vou.
- 42. And when the Jews were gone out of the synagogue,
- the Gentiles besought that these words might be preached to them

the next sabbath.

- 43. Now when the congregation was broken up.
- many of the Jews and religious proselytes
- followed Paul and
- Barnabas: who, speaking to them, persuaded them to continue in the grace of God.
- 44. And the next sabbath day came almost the whole city together to hear the word of God.
- 45. But when the Jews saw the multitudes.
- they were filled with envy. and spake against those

things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting

and blaspheming.

46. Then Paul and

Barnabas waxed bold,

and said. It was necessary

that the word of God

should first have been

spoken to you: but seeing ye put it from you, and judge

yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, lo,

■ we turn to the Gentiles.

■ 47. For so hath the Lord ■ commanded us, saying, I

■ have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles.

that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.

48. And when the Gentiles I heard this.

- they were alad.
 - and glorified the word of the Lord:
- and as many as were ordained to eternal
- life believed.
 - 49. And the word of the Lord was published throughout all the region.
- 50. But the Jews stirred up the devout and honourable women. and the chief men of the city, and raised
- persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and
- expelled them out of

their coasts.

- 51. But they shook off the dust of their feet against them, and came unto Iconium
- 52. And the disciples were filled with joy, and with the Holy Ghost.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. And it came to pass
- in Iconium, that
- they went both together
- into the synagogue of the Jews.
- and so spake, that a areat
 - multitude both of the
- Jews and also of the
- Greeks believed.
- But the unbelieving Jews stirred up the Gentiles,
 - and made their minds evil affected against the brethren.
- 3. Long time therefore abode they speaking boldly in the Lord.

which gave testimony unto the word of his grace, and granted signs and wonders to be done by their hands.

- But the multitude of the
- city was divided:

and part held with the Jews, and part with the apostles.

- 5. And when there was an
- assault made both of the
- Gentiles, and also of the
- Jews with their rulers. to use them despitefully, and
- to stone them.
- 6 They were ware of it, and
- fled unto Lystra and Derbe,

cities of Lycaonia, and unto the region that lieth round about:

7. And there they preached the gospel.

8. And there sat a certain man at Lystra,

impotent in his feet,

being a cripple from hismother's womb,

who never had walked:

9. The same heard Paul speak: who

stedfastly beholding him, and perceiving that he had faith to be healed

10. Said with a loud voice,

Stand upright on thy feet.And he leaped

and walked.

11. And when the people saw what Paul had done,

they lifted up their voices, saying

in the speech of Lycaonia,

The gods are come down to us in the likeness of men.

■ 12. And they called ■ Barnabas. Jupiter: and

Barnabas, Jupiter; and Paul, Mercurius,

because he was the chief speaker.

13. Then the priest of Jupiter, which was before their city, brought oxen and garlands unto the gates, and would have done sacrifice with the people.

14. Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among out

crying out, 15. And saying,

Sirs, why do ye these things?

■ We also are men of like passions with you,

and preach unto you

that ye should turn from these vanities

■ unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

■ 16. Who in times past

suffered all nations to walk

in their own ways.

17. Nevertheless he left not himself without witness, in that he did good,

and gave us rain from heaven,and fruitful seasons, filling our

hearts with food and gladness.

18. And with these sayings scarce restrained they the people, that they had not done sacrifice unto them.

19. And there came thither certain Jews from Antioch

■ and Iconium,

who persuaded the people,
and having stoned Paul,
drew him out of the city,
supposing he had

been dead.

20. **Howbeit**, as the disciples stood round about him,

he rose up, and came into
the city: and the next day
he departed with Barnabas

■ to Derbe.

21. And when they had preached the gospel to that city.

and had taught many,they returned and

they returned again to Lystra, and to Iconium, and Antioch.

and Antioch,22. Confirming

the souls of the disciples,

and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into

■ the kingdom of God.

23. And when they hadordained them elders

in every church, and had prayed with fasting,

■ they commended them to

the Lord, on whom they believed. 24. And after they had passed throughout Pisidia, they came to Pamphylia.

25. And when they had preached the word in Perga, they went down into Attalia:

26. And thence sailed to Antioch, from whence they had been recommended to the grace of God for the work which

they fulfilled.

27. And when they were come, and had gathered the church together, they rehearsed all that God had done with them, and how he had opened the door of faith unto the Gentiles.

28. And there they abode long time with the disciples.

CHAPTER 15

And certain men which came down

■ from Judaea taught the
 ■ brethren, and said, Except
 ■ ye be circumcised

after the manner of Moses, ve cannot be saved.

ye cannot be saved.
2. When therefore Paul and
Barnabas had

no small dissension and

disputation with them, they

defermined that Paul and
 Barnabas, and certain
 other of them.

■ should go up to Jerusalem

unto the apostles and elders about this question.

 And being brought on their way by the church, they passed through Phenice and Samaria, declaring the conversion of the Gentiles: and they caused great joy unto all the brethren.

4. And when they were come
to Jerusalem, they were
received of the church,

and of the apostles and elders,

and they declared all
 things that God had done with them.

5. But there rose up certain of the sect of the

Pharisees which believed,
 saying, That it was needful
 to circumcise them.

and to command *them* to keep the law of Moses.

6. And the apostles and elders came together for to consider of this matter.

7. **And** when there had been much disputing.

Peter rose up, and said unto them. Men and brethren.

■ ye know how

that a good while ago

God made choice among us,

that the Gentiles by mymouth should hear the

word of the gospel,

■ and believe.

8. And God,

which knoweth the hearts,

bare them witness, giving them the Holy Ghost, even as he did unto us;

9. And put no difference between us and them,

purifying their hearts by faith.

10. Now therefore why tempt
 ye God, to put a yoke upon
 the neck of the disciples,

which neither our fathers nor we were able to bear?

11. But we believe that through the grace of the LORD Jesus Christ we shall be saved, even as they.

12. Then all the multitude kept silence, and

■ gave audience to

Barnabas and Paul, declaring what miracles and wonders God had wrought among the Gentiles by them.

13. **And after** they had held their peace,

James answered, saying, Men

and brethren, hearken unto me:

14 Simeon hath declared

■ how God at the first

did visit the Gentiles, to take out of them a people

for his name.

15. And to this agree the words of the prophets;as it is written.

16. After this I will return, and will build again the

tabernacle of David, which is fallen down; and I will build again the ruins thereof, and I will set it up:

17. That the residue of men might seek after the Lord,
 and all the Gentiles, upon

whom my name is called, saith the Lord, who doeth

saith the Lord, who doet all these things.

18. Known unto God are all his works

from the beginning of the world.

19. Wherefore my sentence is, that we trouble not them.

which from among the

Gentiles are turned to God: 20. But that we write unto them.

that they abstain from

pollutions of idols.

and from fornication. and from things strangled.

and from blood.

21. For Moses of old time hath in every city them that preach him, being read in the synagogues every sabbath day.

22. Then pleased it the apostles and elders with the whole church.

to send chosen men of their own company to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas:

> namely. Judas surnamed Barsabas. and Silas, chief men among the brethren:

23. And they wrote letters by them after this manner; The apostles and elders and brethren send greeting unto the brethren which are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia.

24. Forasmuch as we have heard, that certain which went out from us have

troubled you with words, subverting your souls,

savina. Ye must be

circumcised, and keep the law:

to whom we gave no such commandment:

25. It seemed good unto us. being assembled with one accord,

to send chosen men unto you with our beloved Barnabas

and Paul. 26. Men that have hazarded their lives

for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. 27. We have sent therefore

Judas and Silas, who shall also tell you the same things by mouth.

28. For it seemed good to the Holy Ghost, and to us.

to lay upon you no

greater burden than these

necessary things:

29. That ye abstain from meats offered to idols, and from blood, and

from things strangled,

and from

fornication: from which if ye keep vourselves, ve shall do well. Fare ve well.

30. So when they were dismissed, they came to

Antioch: and when they had gathered the multitude together, they delivered the epistle:

31. Which when they had

read, they rejoiced for the consolation.

> 32. And Judas and Silas, being prophets also themselves, exhorted the brethren with many words, and confirmed them.

33. And after they had tarried there a space, they were let go in peace from the brethren unto the apostles

34. Notwithstanding it pleased Silas to abide there still.

35. Paul also and Barnabas continued in Antioch.

teaching and preaching the word of the Lord, with many others also.

And some days after

Paul said unto Barnabas.

Let us go again and Visit our brethren in

every city where we have preached the word of the LORD.

and see how they do.

37. And Barnabas

determined to take with them. John, whose surname was

Mark.

38. But Paul thought not good to take him with them. who departed from them from Pamphylia.

and went not with them to the work.

39. And the contention was so sharp between them,

that they departed asunder

one from the other; and so

- Barnabas took Mark.
 - and sailed
 - unto Cyprus:
- 40. And Paul chose Silas. and departed.
 - being recommended by the brethren unto the grace of God.
- 41. And he went through
- Syria and Cilicia, confirming the churches.

CHAPTER 16

- 1 Then came he to Derbe and Lystra:
- and, behold,
- a certain disciple was there, named Timotheus.

the son of a certain woman, which was a Jewess, and believed; but his father was a Greek:

2. Which was well reported of by the brethren

that were at Lystra and Iconium.

- 3. Him would Paul have to go forth with him; and took
- and circumcised him because of the Jews

which were

- in those quarters: for they knew all that his father was a Greek.
- 4. And as they went through the cities.
- they delivered them
- the decrees for to keep.
- that were ordained of the apostles and elders which
 - were at Jerusalem.
- 5. And so were the churches established in the faith.

and increased in number daily. 6. Now when they had gone throughout Phrygia and the region of Galatia, and were forbidden of the Holy Ghost to preach the word in Asia.

- 7. After they were come to Mysia, they assayed to go into Bithynia: but the Spirit suffered them not.
- 8. And they passing by Mysia
- came down to Troas.
- 9. And a vision appeared to
- Paul in the night:
- There stood a man of

- Macedonia, and prayed him. saying. Come over into
- Macedonia, and help us. And after he had seen the vision.
- immediately we
- endeavoured to ao

into Macedonia, assuredly gathering that the Lord had called us for to preach the gospel unto them.

11. Therefore loosing from Troas, we came

with a straight course to Samothracia, and the next day to Neapolis: 12. And from thence

- to Philippi, which is the chief city of that
- part of Macedonia. and a colony; and we were in that city abiding certain days.
- 13. And on the sabbath we went out of the city

by a river side, where prayer was wont to be made; and we sat down, and spake unto the women which resorted thither.

14. And a certain woman **named Lydia.** a seller of purple.

of the city of Thyatira,

- which worshipped God, **heard** us: whose heart the Lord opened, that she attended unto the things which were spoken of Paul.
- 15. And when she was
- **baptized**, and her household.
 - she besought *us*, saying, If ye have judged me to be faithful to the Lord,
- come into my house, and

abide there. And she constrained us.

- 16. **And** it came to pass. as we went to prayer.
- a certain damsel
- possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which
- brought her masters much
- gain by soothsaying: 17. The same followed Paul
- and us.
- and cried, saving.
- These men are the servants
- of the most high

- God, which shew unto us the way of salvation.
- 18. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the
- spirit. I command thee in
- the name of Jesus Christ
 - to come out of her.
 - And he came out the same hour.
- 19. And when her masters saw that the hope of their gains was gone, they caught Paul and Silas,

and drew them into the marketplace unto the rulers.

- 20. And brought them to the magistrates, saying, These men, being Jews, do exceedingly trouble our city.
 - 21. And teach customs, which are not lawful for us to receive, neither to observe, being Romans.
- 22. And the multitude rose up together
- against them: and the magistrates rent off their clothes, and
- commanded to beat them.
- 23. **And** when they had laid many stripes upon them.
- they cast them into prison. charging the jailor to keep them safely:
 - 24. Who, having received such a charge, thrust them into the inner prison, and made their feet fast in the stocks.
- 25. And at midnight Paul and Silas prayed, and sang praises unto God: and the prisoners heard them.
- 26. And suddenly there was a great earthquake,

so that the foundations of the prison were shaken:

- and immediately all the ■ doors were opened, and every one's bands were loosed.
- 27. And the keeper of the prison awaking out of his sleep, and
 - seeing the prison
- doors open, he

drew out

- his sword, and would have killed himself, supposing
- the prisoners had been fled)
- 28 But Paul cried with a loud voice, saving,
- Do thyself no harm: for we are all here.
- 29. Then he called for a light, and sprang in, and came trembling, and
- fell down before Paul and Silas.
 - 30. And brought them out, and
- said, Sirs, what must I do to be saved?
- 31. And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. and thou shalt be saved. and thy house.
 - 32. And they spake unto him the word of the Lord, and to all that were in his house.
- 33. And he took them the same hour of the night,
- and washed their stripes; and was baptized.

he and all his, straightway.

- 34. And when he had brought them into his
- house, he set meat before them, and
- rejoiced, believing in God with all his house.
- 35. And when it was day.
- the magistrates sent the sergeants, saying, Let
- those men go. 36. And the keeper of the prison
- told this saying to
- **Paul.** The magistrates have sent
- **†O** let you go: now therefore
- depart, and go
 - in peace.
- 37. But Paul said unto them,
- They have beaten us openly uncondemned,
- being Romans, and have
- cast us into prison; and
- now do
 - they thrust us out privily?
 - nay verily;

- but let them comethemselves and fetc
- themselves and fetch us out.

 38. And the sergeants told these words unto
- the magistrates: and they feared, when they heard that
- they were Romans.

 And they came
 - 39. And they came and besought them,
- and brought *them* out, and desired *them* to depart
 - out of the city.
- 40. And they

went out of the prison, and

- entered into the house of
 - Lydia: and

when they had seen the brethren,

- they comforted them,
- and departed.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. **Now** when they had passed through Amphipolis and Apollonia,
- they came to
- Thessalonica, where was a
- synagogue of the Jews:
- 2. And Paul, as his manner was,
- went in unto them,
- and three sabbath days reasoned with them out of
- reasoned with them out of the scriptures.
 - 3. Opening and
- alleging, that Christ must
- have suffered, and risen again from the dead:
- and that this
- Jesus, whom I preach unto you.
- is Christ.
- 4. And some of them
- **believed,** and consorted with Paul and Silas;
- and of the devout Greeks a great multitude, and of the chief women not a few.
- 5. But the Jews which
 - believed not, moved with envy, took unto them certain lewd fellows of the baser sort, and gathered a company, and
- set all the city on an
 - uproar, and assaulted the
 - house of Jason, and sought to

- bring them out to the people.
- 6. And when they found them not,
- they drew Jason
- and certain brethren
- unto the rulers of the city,
- crying, These that have turned the world upside down are come hither also:
- 7. Whom Jason hath
- received: and these all
- do contrary to the decrees of Caesar, saying that there is another kina.
- one Jesus.
 - 8. And they troubled the people and the rulers of the city, when they heard these things.
 - And when they had taken security of Jason, and of the other, they let them go.
- 10. And the brethren
- immediately sent away
 Paul and Silas
 - by night unto Berea:

- who coming thither
- went into the synagogue of the Jews.
 - 11. These were more noble than those in Thessalonica, in that they received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so.
- 12. Therefore many of them
 believed; also of honourable
 women which were Greeks.
 - and of men, not a few.
- 13. But when the Jews of
- Thessalonica had
- knowledge that the word ofGod was preached of Paul
- at Berea,
- they came thither
- also, and stirred up the people.

 14. And then immediately
- the brethren sent away
- Paul to go as it were to the sea:
- but Silas and Timotheus
 abode there still.
- 15. And they that conducted Paul
- brought him unto
- Athens: and
- receiving a commandment unto Silas and Timotheus

for to come to him with all speed, they departed. 16. Now while Paul waited

for them at Athens, his spirit was stirred in him, when

he saw the city wholly given to idolatry.

17. Therefore disputed he in the synagogue

with the Jews, and with the devout persons, and in the market daily with them that met with him.

18 Then certain

philosophers of the **=** (

Epicureans, and of the Stoics, encountered him.

And some

said. What will this babbler say? other some. He seemeth to be

a setter forth of strange gods: because he preached unto them Jesus, and the resurrection.

19. And they took him, and brought him

unto Areopagus, saying, May we know what this new

doctrine, whereof thou speakest, is?

20. For thou bringest certain strange things to our ears; we would know therefore what these things mean. 21. (For all the Athenians

and strangers which were there spent their time in nothing else.

but either to tell, or to hear some new thing.)

22. Then Paul stood in the midst of Mars' hill, and

said, Ye men of Athens, I perceive that in all things

ye are too superstitious.

23. For as I passed by, and beheld vour devotions.

I found an altar with this inscription, TO THE

UNKNOWN GOD, Whom

therefore ye ignorantly worship. him declare I unto you.

24. God that made the world and all things therein.

seeing that

he is Lord of heaven and earth. dwelleth not in temples made with hands:

25. Neither is worshipped with men's

hands, as though he needed any thing, seeing

he giveth to all life. and breath, and all things:

26 And hath made of one blood all nations of

men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times. before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation:

27. That they should seek the Lord, if haply they might feel after him, and find him.

though he be not far from every one of us:

28. For in him we live, and move, and have our being:

> as certain also of your own poets have said. For we are also his offspring.

29. Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God.

we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone,

graven by art and man's device. 30. And the times of this

ignorance God winked at: but now commandeth

all men everywhere

to repent:

31. **Because** he hath appointed a day, in the which

he will judge the world in righteousness by that man whom he hath ordained: whereof he hath given assurance unto

in that he hath raised him from the dead.

32. And when they heard of the resurrection of the dead.

some mocked: and others said. We will hear thee again of this matter.

33. So Paul departed from among them.

34. Howbeit certain men clave unto

him, and believed: among the which was Dionysius the Areopagite, and a woman named Damaris, and others with them

CHAPTER 18

- 1. After these things Paul departed from Athens, and
- came to Corinth;
- 2. And found a certain
- Jew named Aquila, born in Pontus, lately come from Italy,
- with his wife Priscilla;

(because that Claudius had commanded all Jews to depart from Rome:) and came unto them. 3. **And** because he was of

- 3. And because he was the same craft,be abode with there
- he abode with them, and wrought:
- for by their occupation they were tentmakers.
- 4. And he reasoned in the synagogue every sabbath.
- and persuaded the Jews
- and the Greeks.
 5. And when Silas and
 Timotheus were come

from Macedonia.

- Paul was pressed in the spirit, and
- testified to the Jews that
 Jesus was Christ.
- 6. And when they opposed themselves.
- and blasphemed, he shook *his* raiment, and
- said unto them,
- Your blood be upon your own heads; I am clean;
- from henceforth I will go unto the Gentiles.
- 7. And he departed thence,and entered into a certain
- and entered into a certain man's house, named
- **Justus**, *one* that worshipped God, whose house joined hard to the synagogue.
- 8. And Crispus, the chief
- ruler of the synagogue,■ believed on the Lord
- with all his house;
 and many of the
- Corinthians hearing

- believed, and were baptized.
- 9 Then spake the Lord to
- Paul in the night
- by a vision, Be not afraid, but speak,

and hold not thy peace:

- 10. For I am with thee, and
- no man shall set on thee to
 - hurt thee:

for I have much people in this city.

- 11. And he continued therea year and six months,
 - teaching the word
- 12. And when Gallio was the
- | deputy of Achaia,
- the Jews made
- insurrection with one accord
- against Paul, and brought I him to the judgment seat,
- 13. Saying, This fellow
- persuadeth men to worship God contrary
- to the law.
- 14. **And** when Paul was now about to open *his* mouth,
- Gallio said unto the Jews,
- If it were a matter of wrong or wicked lewdness, O ye Jews, reason would that
- I should bear with you:
- 15. **But if it be** a question of words and names, and
- of your law, look ye to it, for
- I will be no judge
 - of such matters.
- 16. And he drave them from the iudament seat.
- 17. Then all the Greeks took Sosthenes,
- the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat him
 - before the judgment seat. And Gallio cared for none of those things.
- 18. And Paul after this tarried there yet a good while, and then took his leave of the brethren, and
- sailed thence into Syria, and with him Priscilla and Aquila; having shorn his head in Cenchrea: for he had a yow
- 19. And he came to

Ephesus. and left them there: but he himself

entered into the

synagogue, and reasoned with

20. When they desired him

to tarry longer time with them.

he consented not:

21. But bade them farewell, saving, I must by all means keep this feast that cometh in Jerusalem: but I will return again unto you, if God will.

And he sailed from

Ephesus.

22 And when he had

landed at Caesarea. and gone up.

and saluted the church, he

went down

to Antioch.

23. And after he had spent some

time there, he departed. and went over all the

country of Galatia and

Phrygia in order.

strengthening all the disciples.

24. And a certain

Jew named Apollos. born at Alexandria.

an eloquent man, and mighty in the

scriptures, came

to Ephesus.

25. This man was instructed in the way of the Lord; and

being fervent in the spirit, he spake and

taught diligently the things of the Lord, knowing only the baptism of John.

26. And he began to speak boldly in the synagogue: whom

when Aquila and Priscilla

heard, they

took him unto them, and

expounded unto him the way of God more perfectly.

27. And when he was disposed to pass into Achaia.

the brethren wrote, exhorting

■ | the disciples to receive

him: who, when he was

come, helped them much which had believed

through grace:

28. For he mightily

convinced the Jews, and that publicly.

shewing by the scriptures

that Jesus was Christ.

CHAPTER 19

1. And it came to pass, that, while Apollos was at Corinth,

Paul having passed through the upper coasts

came to Ephesus: and

finding certain

disciples.

He said unto them.

Have ye received the Holy Ghost since ye believed?

And they said unto him.

We have not so much as

8 heard whether there be any Holy Ghost.

> 3. And he said unto them, Unto what then were ve baptized? And they said, Unto John's baptism.

4. Then said Paul, John verily

baptized with the baptism

of repentance, saying unto the people.

that they should believe on him which should come after him, that is

on Christ Jesus.

When they heard this,

they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus.

6. And when Paul had

laid his hands upon them.

the Holy Ghost came on them;

and they spake with tongues, and prophesied.

And all the men were about twelve.

8 And he went into the synagogue, and

spake boldly for the space of

three months, disputing and persuading the things

concerning the kingdom of God.

9. But when divers were

- hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude.
- he departed from them, and separated the disciples.
- disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus.
- 10. And this continued by the space of
- two years; so that all they which dwelt
- in Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus, both Jews and Greeks,
- 11. And God wrought special miracles by the hands of
- Paul:
- 12. So that from his body were brought unto the sick handkerchiefs or aprons,
- and the diseases departed from them.
- and the evil spirits went out of them.
- 13. Then certain of the
- vagabond Jews, exorcists,
- took upon them to call over them which had evil
- spirits the name of the LORD Jesus, saying, We adjure
- you by Jesus whom Paul preacheth.
 - 14. And there were seven sons of one Sceva, a Jew, and chief of the priests, which did so.
- 15. And the evil spirit
- answered and said. Jesus I know, and Paul I
- know; but who are ye?
- 16. And the man in whom the
- evil spirit was leaped on
- them, and overcame them.
- and prevailed against
- them, so that they fled out of that house naked
- and wounded. 17. And this was known to
- all the
- Jews and Greeks also dwelling at Ephesus:
 - and fear fell on them all.
- and the name of the Lord Jesus was magnified.
 - 18. And many that believed

- came, and confessed. and shewed their deeds.
 - 19. Many of them also
- which used curious arts
- brought their books together. and burned them
- before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty
- thousand pieces of silver. 20. So mightily grew the
- word of God and prevailed.
- 21. After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through

Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.

22. So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him. Timotheus and Erastus:

but he himself

staved in Asia for a season.

- And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.
- 24. For a certain man named Demetrius.
- a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana.
- brought no small
- gain unto the craftsmen:
- 25. Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation,
- and said. Sirs, ye know that
- by this craft we have
- our wealth.
- Moreover ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this
- Paul hath persuaded and turned away
- much people, saying that
- they be no gods, which are made with hands:
- 27. So that not only this our
- craft is in danger to be set at nought:
- but also that
- the temple of the great goddess
- Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be
- destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshippeth.

28. And when they heard these savings.

they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying,

Great is Diana of the Ephesians. 29. And the whole city was

filled with confusion: and having caught Gaius

and Aristarchus. men of Macedonia.

Paul's companions in travel. they rushed with one accord

into the theatre. 30 And when Paul would

have entered in unto the people.

the disciples suffered him not.

31. And certain of the chief of Asia, which were his friends. sent unto him, desiring him that he would not

adventure himself into the theatre.

> 32. Some therefore cried one thing, and some another: for the assembly was confused; and the more part knew not wherefore they were come together.

33. And they drew Alexander out of the

multitude, the Jews putting him forward.

And Alexander beckoned with the hand, and

would have made his

defence unto the people.

34. But when they knew that he was a Jew, all with one ■ voice about the space of

two hours cried out, Great

is Diana of the Ephesians.

35. And when the townclerk

had appeased the people, he

said. Ye men of Ephesus.

what man is there that

knoweth not how

that the city of the Ephesians

is a worshipper of the great goddess

Diana, and of the image which fell down from Jupiter?

■ 36. Seeing then

that these thinas

cannot be spoken against, ye ought to be quiet,

and to do nothing rashly.

37. For ve have brought hither these men, which

6 are neither robbers of churches, nor yet

blasphemers of your goddess.

38. Wherefore if Demetrius, and

the craftsmen which are with him. have a matter against any

the law is open.

and there are deputies: let them implead

one another.

39. But if ye inquire any thing concerning other matters, it shall be determined in a lawful assembly.

40. For we are in danger to be called in question for

this day's uproar, there being no cause whereby we may give an account of this concourse.

41. And when he had thus spoken.

he dismissed

■ the assembly.

CHAPTER 20

And after the uproar

was ceased

Paul called unto him the disciples, and

embraced them,

and departed for to go into Macedonia.

2. And when he had gone over those parts, and had given them much exhortation.

he came into Greece.

And there abode three months. And when the Jews

laid wait for him.

as he was about to sail into Svria.

he purposed to return through Macedonia.

4. And there accompanied him into Asia Sopater of Berea: and of the

Thessalonians, Aristarchus and Secundus: and Gaius of Derbe, and

- Timotheus; and of Asia, Tychicus and Trophimus.
- 5. These going before tarried for us at Troas.
- 6. And we sailed away from
- Philippi after the days of unleavened bread,
- and came unto them
- to Trous in five days;
- where we abode
- seven days.
- 7. And upon the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread.
- Paul preached unto them,
 ready to depart on the morrow;
 and continued his speech
 - until midnight.

 8. And there were many lights in the upper chamber, where they were gathered together.
- 9. And there sat in a window
- young man named
- Eutychus, being fallen into
- a deep sleep: and ■ as Paul was long
- preaching, he sunk down with sleep.
- and fell down
- from the third loft, and was
- taken up dead.
- went down, and fell on him, and
- embracing him said,
- Trouble not yourselves; for his life is in him.
 - 11. When he therefore was come up again, and had broken bread, and eaten, and talked a long while, even till break of day, so he departed.
- 12. And they brought the young man alive,
- and were not a little comforted.

 13. And we went
- before to ship, and sailed
- unto Assos, there intending
- to take in
- Paul: for so had he appointed,
 - minding himself to go afoot.
 - 14. **And** when he met with us at Assos.

- we took him in, and cameto Mitylene.
- 15. And we sailed thence, and came the next day over against Chios; and the next day we arrived at Samos, and tarried at Trogyllium; and the next day we came to Miletus.
- 16. For Paul had determined to sail by Ephesus, because he would not spend the time in Asia: for he hasted, if it were possible for him,
- to be at Jerusalem the day■ of Pentecost.
 - 17. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus, and called the
- elders of the church.

 18. And when they were
- come to him,
- he said unto them,
- Ye know, from the first day that I came into Asia, after what manner
- I have been with you at all seasons,
- 19. Serving the LORD with all humility of mind, and
- with many tears, and temptations, which befell me
- by the lying in wait of
- the Jews:
- 20. **And** how I kept back nothing that was profitable *unto you*, but have shewed you, and
- have faught you publicly, and from house to house,
- 21. Testifying both to the
- Jews, and also to the Greeks, repentance
 - Greeks, repentance toward God.
- and faith toward our LordJesus Christ.
- 22. And now, behold, I go
- bound in the spirit untoJerusalem, not knowing the
- things that shall befall me
 - 23. Save that the Holy Ghost witnesseth in every city, saying that bonds and afflictions abide me.
- 24. But none of these things
 move me, neither count I
- my life dear unto myself,
 - so that I might finish my
 - course with joy,

and the ministry, which I have received of the Lord Jesus, to testify the gospel of the grace of God.

■ 25. **And now,** behold,

I know that ye

all, among whom I have gone preaching the kingdom of God,

- shall see my face no more.
 - 26. Wherefore I take you to
- record this day,
- that I am pure from the blood of all men.
- 27. For I have not shunned
- all the counsel of God.
- 28. Take heed therefore

unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers,

- to feed the church of God, which he hath
- purchased with his
- own blood.
 29. For I know this, that
- after my departing shall grievous
- wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.
- 30. Also of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them.
- 31. Therefore watch, and
- remember, that

by the space of three years

- | I ceased not to warn every
- One night and day
- with tears.
- 32. And now, brethren, I commend you to God, and
- to the word of his grace,
 - which is able to build you up, and to give you an inheritance among all them which are sanctified.
 - 33. I have coveted no man's silver, or
- **gold**, or apparel.
 - 34. Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.
 - 35. I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring

ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord

- Jesus, how he said,
 It is more blessed to give
 - than to receive.
- 36. And when he had thus spoken,
 - he kneeled down,
- and prayed with them all.
- 37. And they all wept sore, ■ and fell on Paul's neck,
- and fell on Paul's neck,■ and kissed him,
 - 38. Sorrowing most of all for the words which he spake, that they should see his face no more. And they accompanied him unto the ship.

CHAPTER 21

- 1. And it came to pass, thatafter we were gotten from
- them, and had launched, we came with a straight course unto Coos, and the day following unto Rhodes, and from thence unto Patara:
 - 2. And finding a ship sailing over unto Phenicia,
- we went aboard, and set forth.

 3. Now when we had discovered
 - Cyprus, we left it on the left hand.
- and sailed into Syria, and
 landed at Tyre: for there the ship was to unlade her burden.
- 4. And finding disciples, we
- tarried there seven days:
 who said to Paul through
- the Spirit, that he should not go up to Jerusalem.
 - 5. And when we had accomplished those days, we departed and went our way; and they all brought us on our way, with wives and children, till we were out of the city: and we kneeled down on the shore, and prayed.

 6. And when we had taken our leave
- one of another, we took ship; and they returned home again.

 7 **And** when we had finished our
- 7. **And** when we had finished *out* course from Tyre,
- we came to Ptolemais, and saluted the brethren, and abode with them one day.
 - 8. And the next day we that were of Paul's company

- departed, and came
 unto Caesarea: and we
 entered into the house of
 Philip the evangelist, which was one of the seven; and
 - abode with him.

 9. And the same man had four
 - daughters, virgins, which did prophesy.
- 10. And as we tarried there many days,
- there came down from Judaea
 a certain prophet,
- named Agabus.
 11. And when he was come unto us,
 he took Paul's airdle, and
- bound his own hands and feet, and said, Thus saith the Holy Ghost, So shall the
- Jews at Jerusalem bind the man that owneth this girdle,
- and shall deliver him into the hands of
- the Gentiles.
- 12. And when we heard these things, both
- We, and they of that place,
- besought him not to go up to Jerusalem.
- 13. Then Paul answered, What mean ye to weep and to break mine heart?
- for I am ready not to be bound only, but also to die
- for the name of
- the Lord Jesus.
 - 14. And when he would not be persuaded, we ceased, saying, The will of the Lord be done.
- 15. And after those days
- We took up our carriages, andwent up to Jerusalem.
 - 16. There went with us also certain of the disciples of Caesarea, and brought with them one Mnason of Cyprus, an old disciple, with whom we should lodge.
- 17. **And** when we were come to Jerusalem,
- the brethren received us gladly.
- 18. **And** the day following

- Paul went in with us unto James; and all the elders were present.
- 19. And when he had saluted them,
 he declared particularly
- what things God had
- wrought among theGentiles by his ministry.
- 20. And when they heard it,
 they glorified the Lord, and
- said unto him,
- Thou seest, brother,
- how many thousands of Jews there are which
- believe: and

they are all zealous of the law:

- 21. And they are informed of thee, that thou teachest all
 the Jews which are among the Gentiles
 - to forsake Moses, saying
- they ought not to
- Circumcise their children, neither to walk after the customs.
 22 What is it therefore?
- the multitude must needs
- come together: for they will
 hear that thou art come.
- 23. Do therefore this

that we say to thee:

- We have four men which
- have a vow on them;
 - 24. Them take, and
- purify thyself with them,
- and be at charges with
- them, that they may shave their heads:
- and all may know that those things, whereof they were informed concerning thee, are nothing; but
- that thou thyself
- also walkest orderly, and keepest the law
 - 25. As touching the Gentiles which believe, we have written and concluded that they observe no such thing, save only that they keep themselves from things offered to idols, and from blood, and from strangled, and from fornication.
- 26. Then Paul took the men, and the next day

- purifying himself with them entered into the temple, to signify the accomplish-
- ment of the days of purification, until that an offering should be offered for every one of them.
- 27. **And** when the seven days were almost ended,
- the Jews which were
- of Asia, when they saw him in the temple,
- stirred up all the people,
- and laid hands on him,
 28. Crying out. Men of Israel.
- help: This is the man, that
- teacheth all men every where
- against the people, and
- the law, and this place:
- and further brought Greeks
- into the temple, and hath polluted this holy place.
 - 29. (For they had seen before with him in the city Trophimus an Ephesian, whom they supposed that Paul had brought into the temple.)
- 30. And all the city was moved.

and the people ran together:

- and they took Paul, anddrew him out of the temple:
- and forthwith the doors were shut.

 31. And as they went about
- to kill him, tidings came unto the chief captain
 - of the band,
- that all Jerusalem was in an uprogr.
- 32. Who immediately took
- soldiers and centurions,
- and ran down
- unto them: and when they
- SOW the chief captain and
- the soldiers, they left
- beating of Paul.
- 33. Then the chief captain
- commanded him to be
- **bound** with two chains:
- and demanded who he
- was, and what he
 - l had done.
 - 34. And some cried one thing, some

- another, among the multitude:
- and when he could not know the certainty for the
- tumult, he commanded him
 - to be carried into
- the castle.
 - 35. And when he came upon the stairs, so it was, that he was borne of the soldiers for the violence of the people.
- 36. For the multitude of the people
- followed after, crying,
 - Away with him.
- 37. And as Paul was to be
- led into the castle,
- he said unto the chief captain,

May I speak unto thee? Who said, Canst thou speak Greek?

Janst thou speak Greek?

- 38. Art not thou that Egyptian, which before these days madest an uproar, and leddest out into the wilderness four thousand men that were murderers?
- 39. But Paul said,
- I am a man which am
- a Jew of Tarsus, a city in Cilicia, a citizen of no mean city: and,
- I beseech thee, suffer me to
- speak unto the people.
- 40. **And** when he had given him licence.

the people

- Paul stood on the stairs, and beckoned with the hand unto
- And when there was
- silence, he spake unto them
 - in the Hebrew tongue.
- saying,

CHAPTER 22

- 1. Men, brethren, and fathers,
- hear ye my defence

which I make now unto you.

- 2. (And when they heard that he spake in
- the Hebrew tongue to them,
- they kept the more silence: and he saith.)
- 3. am verily a man which am
 - a Jew, born in Tarsus,
 - a city in Cilicia,

ACTS 22 ■ I vet brought up in this city at the feet of Gamaliel, and tauaht according to the perfect manner of the law of the fathers, and was zealous toward God. as ye all are this day. 4. And I persecuted this way unto the death. binding and delivering into prisons both men and women. 5. As also the high priest doth bear me witness. and all the estate of the elders: from whom also I received letters unto the brethren. and went to Damascus, to bring them which were there bound unto Jerusalem, for to be punished. 6. And it came to pass, that, as I made my journey, and was come nigh unto Damascus about noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a areat light round about me. 7. And I fell unto the ground, and heard a voice saying unto me. Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou me? 8. And I answered. Who art thou. Lord? And he said unto me. I am Jesus of Nazareth. whom thou persecutest. 9. And they that were with me saw indeed the light, and were afraid; but they heard not the voice of him that spake to me. 10. And I said, What shall I ■ do, LORD? And the Lord

said unto me, Arise, and

glory of that light,

shall be told thee of all things

being led by the hand

I came into Damascus.

of them that were with me.

go into Damascus; and there it

which are appointed for thee to do.

11. **And** when I could not see for the

12. And one Ananias. a devout man according to the law. having a good report of all the Jews which dwelt there. 13. Came unto me, and stood, and said unto me. Brother Saul, receive thy **sight.** And the same hour I looked up upon him. 14. And he said. The God of our fathers hath chosen thee, that thou shouldest know his will, and see that Just One, and shouldest hear the voice of his mouth. For thou shalt be his witness unto all men of what thou hast seen and heard. 16. And now why tarriest thou? arise, and be baptized, and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord. 17. And it came to pass, that, when I was come again to Jerusalem, even while I prayed in the temple, I was in a trance: 18. And saw him saying unto me. Make haste, and get thee quickly out of Jerusalem: for they will not receive thy testimony concerning me. 19. And I said, Lord, they know that I imprisoned and beat in every synagogue them that believed on thee: 20. And when the blood of thy martyr Stephen was shed, I also WQS standing by, and

consenting unto his death,

Depart: for I will send thee

and kept the raiment of them that

And he said unto me.

22. And they gave him audience unto this word,

unto the Gentiles.

slew him.

far hence

and then

lifted up their voices, and said. Away with such a

fellow from the earth; for

it is not fit that he should live.

> 23. And as they cried out, and cast off their clothes, and threw dust into the air.

■ 24. The chief captain

commanded him to be brought into the castle, and bade that

he should

be examined by scourging: that he might know wherefore

they cried so against him.

25. And as they bound him with thongs.

Paul said unto the centurion that stood by,

Is it lawful for you to scourge a man that is

a Roman, and uncondemned? 26 When the centurion

heard that.

he went and told the chief captain.

saying. Take heed what thou doest:

for this man is a Roman.

27. Then the chief captain came, and

said unto him. Tell me.

art thou a Roman?

He said, Yea.

28. And the chief captain

answered, With a great sum obtained I this

freedom, And Paul said, But I was *free* born.

29. Then straightway they departed from him which should have examined him: and

the chief captain also was

afraid, after he knew that he was a Roman, and

because he had

bound him.

30. On the morrow,

because he would have known the certainty wherefore he was accused of the Jews.

he loosed him from his bands.

and commanded the chief

priests and all their council to appear, and brought

Paul down, and set him

before them.

CHAPTER 23

And Paul.

earnestly beholding the council,

said. Men and brethren.

I have lived in all good conscience before God

until this day.

2. And the high priest

> Ananias commanded them that stood by him

to smite him on the mouth.

Then said Paul unto him. God shall smite thee.

thou whited wall:

for sittest thou to judge me

after the law, and

commandest me to be smitten contrary to

the law?

4. And they that stood by

said. Revilest thou God's

high priest?

5 Then said Paul, I wist not,

brethren, that he was the high priest:

> for it is written. Thou shalt not speak evil of the ruler of thy people.

6. But when Paul perceived that the one part were

Sadducees, and the other Pharisees, he cried

out in the council. Men and brethren,

I am a Pharisee. the son of a Pharisee:

of the hope and

resurrection of the dead

am called in question. And when he had so said.

there grose a dissension between the Pharisees and

the

Sadducees: and the multitude was divided.

8. For the Sadducees say

there is no resurrection. neither angel, nor spirit:

but the Pharisees

- I confess both.
- 9. **And** there arose a great cry: and the scribes that were of
- the Pharisees' part arose, and strove.
- saying, We find no evil in this man: but if a spirit or an angel hath spoken to him, let us not fight
 - against God.

 10. **And** when there arose a great dissension,
- the chief captain, fearing
 lest Paul should have been
 pulled in pieces of them.
- commanded the soldiers
 to go down, and to
- take him by force
- from among them,
- bring *him* into the castle.
- 11. And the night following
 the Lord stood by him, and
 said, Be of good cheer,
- Paul: for as thou hast
- testified of me in
- Jerusalem, so must thou
- bear witness also at Rome.
- 12. **And** when it was day,
- certain of the
 - Jews banded together, and bound themselves under a curse, saying that they would neither eat nor drink till they had killed Paul.
 - 13. And they were more than forty which had made this conspiracy.
- 14. And they came to the chief priests and elders.
- and said, We have bound
- ourselves under a great curse,
 that we will eat nothing until
- we have slain Paul.

 15. Now therefore
- ye with the council

 signify to the chief captain
- that he bring him down unto you to-morrow, as though ye would inquire something more perfectly concerning him:
- and we, or ever he come near,
- are ready to kill him.
- 16. And when Paul's sister's
- son heard of their lying in wait,

he went

- and entered into the castle,
- and told Paul.

 17. Then Paul called one of
- the centurions unto him, and said, Bring this young
- and said, Bring this young man unto the chief captain:
 - for he hath a certain thing to tell him.

 18. So he took him, and brought him to the chief captain, and said, Paul the prisoner called me unto him, and prayed me to bring this young man unto thee, who hath something to say
- 19. Then the chief captain
 - took him by the hand, and went with him aside privately,
- and asked him,
- What is that thou hast
- to tell me?

unto thee.

- 20. And he said, The Jews have agreed to
 - desire thee
- that thou wouldest bring
- Paul to-morrow
- into the council,
 - as though they would inquire somewhat of him more perfectly.
 - 21. **But do not** thou
- yield unto them: for there lie
- in wait for him of them more than
- forty men, which have bound themselves
- bound themselveswith an oath, that they will
- neither eat nor drink till
- they have killed him: and now are they ready, looking for a
- promise from thee.

 22. So the chief captain then
 - let the young man depart, and charged him, See thou tell no man that thou hast shewed these things to me.
- 23. And he called unto him
- two centurions, saying,
 - Make ready two hundred
- soldiers to go to
 - threescore and ten, and spearmen two hundred, at the third hour of the night;
 - 24. And provide them beasts,

- that they may set Paul on. and bring him safe unto
- Felix the governor. 25 And he wrote a letter

after this manner: 26. Claudius Lysias

- unto the most excellent governor
- Felix sendeth greeting.
 - 27. This man was taken of the Jews. and should have been killed of them: then came I with an army, and rescued him, having understood that he was a Roman.
 - 28. And when I would have known the cause wherefore they accused him. I brought him forth into their council:
 - 29. Whom I perceived to be accused of questions of their law, but to have nothing laid to his charge worthy of death or of bonds.
 - 30. And when it was told me how that the Jews laid wait for the man. I sent straightway to thee, and gave commandment to his accusers also to say before thee what they had against him. Farewell.
- 31. Then the soldiers. as it was commanded them.
- took Paul, and brought him by night to Antipatris.
 - 32. On the morrow they left the horsemen to go with him, and returned to the castle:
 - 33. Who, when they came
- to Caesarea and delivered the epistle
- to the governor. presented Paul also before him.
- 34. And when the governor
- had read the letter, he asked of what province
- he was. And when he understood that he was of Cilicia:
- 35. I will hear thee, said he,
- when thine accusers are also
 - come. And he commanded him to be kept in Herod's judgment hall.

CHAPTER 24

- | 1. And after five days
- Ananias the high priest
- descended with the elders, and

- with a certain
 - orator named Tertullus, who informed the governor against Paul.
- And when he was called forth. Tertullus began to accuse
- him, saying, Seeing that by thee we enjoy great quietness, and that very worthy deeds are
- done unto this nation by thy providence.
- 3 We accept it always. and in all places.
- most noble Felix, with all thankfulness.
 - 4. Notwithstanding, that I be not further tedious unto thee.
- I pray thee
- that thou wouldest hear us of thy clemency a few words.
- For we have found this
- man a pestilent fellow, and
- a mover of sedition among
- Jews throughout the world, and a ringleader of the sect of the Nazarenes:
 - 6. Who also hath gone about to profane the temple:
- whom we took, and would have judged according to our law.
 - 7. But the chief captain
- Lysias came upon us, and with great violence
- took *him* away out of our hands,

- Commanding his accusers to come unto
 - thee: by examining of whom thyself mayest take knowledge of all these things, whereof we accuse him. And the Jews also assented.
 - saving that these things were so.
- 10. Then Paul, after that the governor had beckoned unto him to speak.
- answered. Forasmuch as I know that thou hast been of many years a judge unto
- this nation. I do
- the more cheerfully answer for myself:
 - 11 Because that thou

if they had aught

evil doing in me,

question by you this day.

knowledge of that way.

22. And when Felix heard

these things, having more perfect

against me.

20. **Of** else let these same here

- ACTS 25 mayest understand, that there are yet but twelve days since I went up to Jerusalem for to worship. 12. And they neither found me in the temple disputing with any man, neither raising up the people, neither in the synagogues. nor in the city: 13. Neither can they prove the things whereof they now accuse me. 14. But this I confess unto thee. that after the way which they call heresy, so worship I the God of my fathers, believing all things which are written in the law and in the prophets: 15. And have hope toward God. which they themselves also allow. that there shall be a resurrection of the dead. both of the just and unjust. And herein do I exercise myself. to have always a conscience void to offence toward God, and toward men. 17. Now after many years I came to bring alms to my nation, and offerings. 18. Whereupon certain Jews from Asia found me purified in the temple. neither with multitude, nor with tumult.
 - 19. Who ought to have been here before thee, and object, say, if they have found any while I stood before the council, 21. Except if be for this one voice. that I cried standing among them, ■ Touching the resurrection of the dead I am called in
- he deferred them, and said. When Lysias the chief captain shall come down. I will know the uttermost of your matter. 23. And he commanded a centurion to keep Paul. and to let him have liberty, and that he should forbid none of his acquaintance to minister or come unto him. 24. And after certain days. when Felix came with his wife Drusilla. which was a Jewess. he sent for Paul, and heard him concerning the faith in Christ. 25. And as he reasoned of righteousness. temperance, and judament to come. Felix trembled, and answered. Go thy way for this time: when I have a convenient season. I will call for thee. 26. He hoped also that money should have been given him of Paul, that he might loose him: wherefore he sent for him the oftener, and communed with him. 27. **But after two years** Porcius Festus came into Felix' room: and Felix, willing to shew the Jews a pleasure. ■ left Paul bound. **CHAPTER 25** ■ | 1. Now when Festus was come into the province, after three days he ascended from Caesarea to Jerusalem. Then the high priest and the chief of the Jews informed him

against Paul, and besought him,

And desired favour against him.

that he would send for him

- to Jerusalem, laying wait in the way
- to kill him.
- | 4 But Festus answered, that Paul should be kept at
- Caesarea. and that he himself would depart shortly thither.
- 5. Let them therefore, said he, which among you are able,
- go down with me.
- and accuse this man, if there be any wickedness in him. 6. And when he had tarried among them more than ten days.
- he went down unto Caesarea: and the next day sitting on
- the judgment seat commanded Paul to be brought.
- 7. And when he was come.
- the Jews which came down from Jerusalem stood round about, and
- laid many and grievous
- complaints against Paul, which they
 - could not prove.
 - 8 While he answered for himself.
- Neither against the law of the Jews, neither against
- the temple, nor yet against Caesar, have I offended
- any thing at all.
- 9. But Festus, willing to do the Jews a
- pleasure, answered Paul, and
- said, Wilt thou go up
- to Jerusalem, and there be
- judged of these things
- before me?
- 10. Then said Paul, I stand at Caesar's judgment seat, where I ought to be judged:
 - to the Jews have I done no wrong,
- as thou very well
- knowest.
- 11. For if I be an offender. or have committed any thing worthy of death.
- I refuse not to die: but if
- I there be none of these ■ things whereof these
- accuse me, no man may

- deliver me unto them. I appeal unto Caesar.
- 12. Then Festus, when he had conferred with the council.
- answered. Hast thou appealed unto Caesar?
- unto Caesar shalt thou ao.
- And after certain days
- king Agrippa and Bernice came unto Caesarea
 - to salute Festus.
 - 14. And when they had been there many days.
 - Festus declared Paul's cause unto the kina.
- saying, There is a certain man left in bonds by Felix:
 - 15. About whom.

againsť him.

- when I was at Jerusalem. the chief priests and the elders of
- the Jews informed me. desiring to have judgment
 - To whom I answered. It is not the manner of the Romans to deliver any man to die, before that he which is accused have the accusers face to face, and have licence to answer for himself concerning the crime laid against him.
 - 17. Therefore.
- when they were come
 - hither, without any delay on the morrow
- I sat on the judgment seat, and
- commanded the man to be brought forth.
 - 18. Against whom
- when the accusers stood up, they brought none
- accusation of such things
- as I supposed:
- 19. But had certain questions against him
- of their own superstition,
- and of one Jesus, which was dead, whom Paul
- affirmed to be alive.
- 20 And because I doubted of such manner of questions.
- I asked *him* whether he would go to Jerusalem.

- and there
- be judged of these matters.
- 21. But when Paul had
- appealed to be reserved unto the hearing of
- Augustus, I commanded him to be kept till I might send him to Caesar.
- 22. Then Agrippa said unto Festus.
- I would also hear the man myself. To-morrow, said he, thou shalt hear him.
- 23. And on the morrow. when Agrippa was come,
- and Bernice, with great pomp, and was entered into the place of hearing, with the chief captains, and principal men of the city. at Festus' commandment
- Paul was brought forth.
- 24. And Festus said, Kina Agrippa, and all men which are here present with us,
- ve see this man, about whom all the multitude
- of the Jews have dealt with me.
- both at Jerusalem, and also here.
- crying that he ought not to live any longer.
 - 25. But when I found that he had committed nothing worthy of death. and that he himself hath appealed to Augustus, I have determined to send him.
 - 26. Of whom I have no certain thing to write unto my lord.
- Wherefore I have brought ■ him forth before you.

and specially before thee,

O king Agrippa,

that, after examination had, I might have somewhat to write.

27. For it seemeth to me unreasonable to send a prisoner, and not withal to signify the crimes laid against him.

CHAPTER 26

- 1 1. Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Thou art permitted to
- **speak** for thyself.
- | Then Paul

- stretched forth the hand, and
- answered for himself: 2. I think myself happy, king
- Agrippa, because I shall answer for myself
 - this day before thee touching all the things
- whereof I am accused
 - of the Jews:
- 3. Especially because 1
- know thee to be expert in all customs
 - and questions which are
 - among the Jews: wherefore I beseech thee to hear me patiently.
- 4. My manner of life from my youth, which was at the first among
- mine own nation at Jerusalem.
- know all the Jews;
 - Which knew me from the beginning. if they would testify, that after the most straitest sect of our religion
- l lived a Pharisee.
- And now I stand and
- am judged for the hope of the promise made of God, unto our fathers:
 - 7. Unto which *promise* our twelve tribes, instantly serving God day and night, hope to come. For which hope's sake, king Agrippa, I am accused of the Jews.
- Why should it be thought.
- incredible with you,
- that God should raise the dead?
- 9. I verily thought with myself, that I ought to do many things
- contrary to the name of
- **Jesus** of Nazareth.
- 10. Which thing I also
- **did** in Jerusalem:
- and many of the saints did I shut up in
- prison, having received authority from the chief priests:
- and when they were put to death, I gave my voice against *them*.
 - And I punished them oft in every synagogue, and compelled them to

blaspheme: and being exceedingly mad against them.

I persecuted them even unto strange cities.

12. Whereupon as I went to

Damascus with authority and commission from the chief priests. 13. At midday, O king,

I saw in the way •

a light from heaven, above the brightness of the sun, shining round about me and them which iourneved with me.

14. And when we were all

fallen to the earth.

I heard a voice speaking unto me, and

saying in the Hebrew tongue, Saul, Saul, why persecutest thou

me? it is hard for thee to kick against the pricks.

15. And I said, Who art thou, Lord? And he said, I am

Jesus whom thou persecutest

16. But rise, and stand upon thy feet; for

I have appeared unto thee for this purpose.

to make thee a minister and a witness both of these things which thou hast seen, and of those things in the which I will appear unto thee: 17. Delivering thee from the people. and from the Gentiles, unto whom now I send thee.

18. To open their eyes, and

to turn them

from darkness to light, and

from the power of Satan

unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

19. Whereupon, O king Agrippa, I was not disobedient unto

the heavenly

vision.

20. But shewed first unto

them of Damascus, and at П

Jerusalem, and

throughout all the coasts of

Judgeg, and then to the

Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God, and do works meet for repentance

21. For these causes the **Jews** caught me in the temple, and

went about to kill me. 22. Having therefore

obtained help of God. I

continue unto this day.

witnessing both to small and great.

saying none other things than those which the

prophets and Moses did

SQY should come

23. That Christ should suffer. and that he should he the first that should rise from the dead.

and should shew light unto the people, and to

the Gentiles.

24 And as he

thus spake for himself.

Festus said with a loud voice.

Paul, thou art beside thyself:

much learning doth make thee mad.

25. But he said. I am not

mad, most noble

Festus: but speak forth the words of truth and soberness.

26. **For the king knoweth** of these things, before whom also I speak freely; for I am persuaded that none of these things are hidden from him: for

this thing was not done in a corner.

27. King Agrippa, believest

the prophets? I know that thou believest.

28. **Then Agrippa said** unto Paul.

Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian

29. And Paul said, I would to God.

that not only thou, but also

all that hear me this day.

Were both almost, and altogether such

as I am, except these bonds.

- 30. And when he had thus spoken, the king rose up, and the governor, and Bernice, and they that sat with them: 31. And when they were gone aside, they talked between themselves, saying, This man doeth nothing worthy of death or of bonds.
- 32. Then said Agrippa unto
 Festus, This man might
 have been set at liberty, if
 he had not appealed
- unto Caesar.

CHAPTER 27

- | 1. And when it was
 - determined that we should
- sail into Italy, they
 delivered Paul

and certain other prisoners

- unto one named
- Julius, a centurion

of Augustus' band.

- 2. And entering into a ship of Adramyttium, we launched, meaning to sail by the coasts of Asia; one Aristarchus, a Macedonian of Thessalonica, being with us.
- 3. And the next *day* we touched at Sidon. And Julius courteously entreated Paul, and gave *him* liberty to go unto his friends to
- refresh himself.

 4. And when we had launched from thence, we sailed under Cyprus, because the winds were contrary.
- 5. And when we had sailed over the sea of Cilicia
 and Pamohylia.
- we came to Myra,
- 6. And there the centurion found a ship of Alexandria
- sailing into Italy; and he put us therein.
 - 7. And when we had sailed slowly many days, and scarce were come over against Cnidus, the wind not suffering us, we sailed under Crete, over again Salmone;
 - And, hardly passing it, came unto a place which is called The fair havens; nigh whereunto was the city of Lasea.

- 9. Now when much time was spent,
 and when sailing was now
 dangerous, because the
 fast was now
- fast was now already past. Paul
- admonished them,
 10. And said unto them. Sirs.
- I perceive that this voyage
- will be with hurt and much damage, not only of the lading and
- ship, but also of our lives.
 - 1 11. Nevertheless the
- centurion believed the master and the owner
- of the ship, more than
 - those things which were spoken by **Paul**.
- 12. And because the haven was not commodious to
- winter in, the more part advised to depart thence
 - also, if by any means they might attain to Phenice, and there to winter; which is an haven of Crete,
 - and lieth toward the south-west and north-west.
 - 13. And when the south wind blew softly, supposing that they had obtained their
- purpose, loosing thence,
 they sailed close by Crete.
- 14. **But** not long after
- there grose against it
 - a tempestuous wind,
- 15. And when the ship was
- **caught**, and could not bear up into the wind,
- we let *her* drive.
- 16. And running under a certain
- island which is
- called Clauda, we had
 - much work to come by the boat:
 17. Which when they had taken up,
 they used helps, undergirding the
 ship; and, fearing lest they should fall
 into the quicksands, strake
 sail, and so were driven.
- 18. And we being exceedingly tossed with a tempest, the

■ if fifteen fathoms.

■ 29. Then fearing lest we

■ rocks, they cast four

should have fallen upon

233 next day they lightened the ship; 19. And the third day we **cast out** with our own hands the tackling of the ship. 20. And when neither sun nor stars in many days appeared, and no small tempest lay on us. all hope that we should be saved was then taken away. 21. But after long abstinence Paul stood forth in the midst of them. and said, Sirs, ye should have hearkened unto me, and not have loosed from Crete, and to have gained this harm and loss. 22. And now I exhort you to be of good cheer: for there shall be no loss of any man's life among you, but of the ship. 23. For there stood by me this night the angel of God, whose I am, and whom I serve. 24. Saying, Fear not, Paul; thou must be brought before Caesar: and, lo. ■ God hath given thee all them that sail with thee. 25. Wherefore, sirs. be of good cheer; for I believe God, that it shall be even as it was told me 26. Howbeit we must be cast upon a certain island. 27. But when the fourteenth night was come, as we were driven up and down in Adria, about midnight the shipmen deemed that they drew near to some country: 28. And sounded, and found it twenty fathoms: ■ and when they had gone a little further, they sounded again, and found

anchors out of the stern and wished for the day. 30. And as the shipmen were about to flee out of the ship, when they had let down the boat into the sea, under colour as though they would have cast anchors out of the foreship. 31 Paul said to the centurion and to the soldiers, Except these abide in the ship, ye cannot be saved. 32 Then the soldiers cut off. the ropes of the boat, and let her fall off. And while the day was coming on, Paul besought them all to take meat. saying, This day is the fourteenth day that ye have tarried and continued fasting. having taken nothing. 34. Wherefore I pray you to take *some* meat: for this is for your health: for there shall not an hair fall from the head of any of you. 35. And when he had thus spoken, he took bread, and gave thanks to God in presence of them all: and when he had broken it, he began to eat. 36. Then were they all of good cheer, and they also took *some* meat. 37. And we were in all in the ship two hundred threescore and sixteen souls. 38. And when they had eaten enough. they lightened the ship, and cast out the wheat into the sea. 39. And when it was day. they knew not the land; but they discovered a certain creek with a shore.

into the

which they were minded,

if it were possible.

to thrust in

the ship.

40. And when they had taken up the anchors,

they committed themselves

unto the sea, and loosed the rudder bands, and hoised up the mainsail to the wind, and made toward shore.

41. And falling into a place where two seas met.

they ran the ship

aground: and the forepart

stuck fast.

and remained unmoveable.

but the hinder part was broken

with the violence of the waves.

42 And the soldiers' counsel was to kill the

prisoners, lest any of them should swim out, and escape.

43. But the centurion. willing to save Paul.

kept them from their

purpose; and commanded that they which could swim

should cast themselves first into the sea, and

get to land:

44. And the rest, some

on boards, and some on

■ i broken pieces of the ship. And so it came to pass, that they

■ escaped all safe

■ to land.

CHAPTER 28

1. And when they were escaped, then they knew that

the island was

called Melita.

2. And the barbarous

people shewed us no little

■ kindness: for they kindled a fire, and

■ I received us every one,

because of the present ■ rain, and because of the

cold.

3. And when Paul had

aathered a bundle of

sticks, and laid them on the fire, there came a viper out of the heat.

and fastened on his hand.

4 And when the barbarians saw the *venomous* beast

hana on his hand, they

said among themselves, No doubt

this man is a murderer.

whom, though he hath escaped the sea, vet

vengeance suffereth not to live.

And he shook off the

beast into the fire

and felt no harm.

6. Howbeit they looked when he should have swollen, or fallen down

dead suddenly: but after they had looked a great while.

and saw no harm come to

him, they changed their minds. and said that he was

a god.

7. In the same quarters were possessions of

the chief man of the island. whose name was Publius:

who received us, and

lodged us three days

courteously.

And it came to pass. that the father of Publius

lav sick of a fever and of a

bloody flux: to whom Paul entered in, and prayed,

and laid his

hands on him. and healed him.

9. So when this was done,

others also.

which had diseases

in the island.

came, and were healed:

10. Who also honoured us with many honours; and when we departed, they laded us with such things as were necessary.

11 And after three months

we departed in a ship of

Alexandria, which had wintered in the isle, whose sign was

Castor and Poliux.

12. And landing at Syracuse, we farried there three days. 13. And from thence we fetched a compass, and

came to Rhegium: and after one day the south wind blew.

and we came the

next day

to Puteoli:

14 Where we found

brethren, and were

desired to tarry with them

seven days: and so we went toward Rome.

15 **And** from thence

when the brethren heard of us, they came to meet us as far as Appli forum,

and The three taverns: whom when Paul saw, he thanked God. and took courage.

16. And when we came to Rome, the centurion

delivered the prisoners

to the captain of the guard; but

Paul was suffered

to dwell by himself with a

soldier that kept him.

17. **And** it came to pass, that

■ after three days Paul

called the chief of the Jews together: and

when they were come together, he said unto them.

Men and brethren.

though I have committed nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers.

yet was I delivered

prisoner from Jerusalem

into the hands of the Romans.

18. Who, when they

had examined me, would have let me go.

because there was no cause of death in me.

19. But when

■ the Jews spake against it, I was constrained to appeal unto Caesar: not that I had ought to accuse my nation of.

20 For this cause therefore have

I called for you,

to see you, and to speak with you:

because that

for the hope of Israel I am

bound with this chain.

And they said unto him. We neither received letters out of Judaea concerning thee,

neither any of the brethren that came shewed or

spake any harm of thee. 22. But we desire to hear

what thou thinkest: for as concerning this sect, we know that every where it is spoken against.

23. And when they had appointed him a day.

there came many to him into his lodging; to whom he

expounded and

testified the kingdom of God, persuading them concerning Jesus, both out

of the law of Moses, and out of

the prophets, from morning till evening.

24. And some believed the things which were spoken. and some

believed not.

25. And when they agreed not among themselves.

they departed, after that Paul had spoken one word.

Well spake the Holy Ghost by Esaias the prophet unto our fathers.

26. Saying, Go unto this people, and say, Hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall

see, and not perceive:

27. For the heart of this people is waxed gross, and their ears are dull

> of hearing, and their eyes have they closed; lest they should see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart.

and should be converted,
 and I should heal them.
 28. Be it known therefore unto you,
 that the salvation of God is sent unto the Gentiles,

and that they will hear it.

these words, the Jews

departed, and had great reasoning among themselves.

30. And Paul dwelt two whole years in his own hired

house, and received

■ 31. **Preaching the kingdom** of God.

and teaching

those things which concern

■ the Lord Jesus Christ, with

all confidence,

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CHAPTER 1

- 1. Paul. a servant of Jesus Christ. called to be an apostle. separated unto the gospel of God. 2. (Which he had promised afore by his prophets in the holy scriptures.)
- 3. Concerning his Son Jesus
- Christ our Lord, which was made of the seed of David according to the flesh; 4. And declared to be
 - the Son of God with power. according to the spirit of holiness.
- by the resurrection from the dead:

5. By whom we have received grace and apostleship, for obedience to the faith among all nations, for his name: Among whom are ye also the called of Jesus Christ:

- 7. To all that be in Rome. beloved of God.
- called to be saints: Grace to you and peace
- from God our Father.
- and the Lord Jesus Christ.
 - 8. First, I thank my God through Jesus Christ for you all.
- that your faith is spoken of throughout the
- whole world.
- 9. For God is my witness. whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of his Son, that
- without ceasing I make mention of you always
- in my prayers; 10. Making request, if by any means now at length I might have a prosperous journey by the will of God to come unto you.
- 11. For I long to see you, that I may impart unto you
- some spiritual aiff, to the end ve may be established:
 - 12. That is, that I may be comforted together with you by the mutual faith both of you and me.
 - 13. Now I would not have you ignorant, brethren, that oftentimes I purposed to come unto you, (but was let hitherto,) that I might have some fruit among you also, even as among

other Gentiles

- 14. I am debtor both to the
- Greeks, and to the
- Barbarians; both to the wise, and to the unwise.
- 15. **So.** as much as in me is.
- I am ready to preach the gospel to you

that are at Rome also.

- 16. For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ:
 - for it is the power of
- God unto salvation to
- every one that believeth: to the Jew first, and also to the Greek
 - 17. For therein is the righteousness of God
- revealed from faith to faith:
- as it is written. The just shall live by faith.
- 18. For the wrath of God is
- revealed from heaven. against all ungodliness and
 - unrighteousness of men. who hold the truth in
- unrighteousness;
 - 19. Because that which may be known of God is manifest in them: for God hath shewed it unto them.
- 20. For the invisible things of him from the creation
- of the world
- are clearly seen,

being understood

- by the things that are
 - made. *even* his eternal
- power and Godhead: so
 - that they are
- without excuse:
- 21. Because that, when they knew God, they glorified
- him not

as God, neither were thankful:

- but became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened.
- 22. Professing themselves
- to be wise, they became fools.
- 23. And changed the glory
- of the uncorruptible God
 - into an image made
 - like to corruptible man, and to birds,

and fourfooted beasts. and creeping things.

24. Wherefore God also

gave them up to uncleanness through the

lusts of their own hearts.

- to dishonour their own
- bodies between
- themselves:
- 25. Who changed the truth of
- God into a lie, and
- worshipped and served
- the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed

for ever. Amen.

26. For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did

- change the natural use into that which is
- against nature:
- 27. And likewise also the
 - men, leaving the
 - natural use of the woman.
- burned in their
- lust one toward another; men with men working that which is

unseemly, and

- receiving in themselves that recompence of their
- error which was meet.
 - 28. And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge.
- God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient:
- 29. Being filled with all unrighteousness, fornication, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder,

debate, deceit, malignity; whisperers, 30. Backbiters, haters of God. despiteful, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents,

- 31. Without understanding, covenant breakers, without natural affection. implacable, unmerciful:
- 32. Who knowing the
- judgment of God, that they which commit such things
- are worthy of death, not
- only do the same, but have

pleasure in them

I≡I that do them.

CHAPTER 2

1 Therefore thou art inexcusable. O man.

whosoever thou art that judgest:

- for wherein thou judgest
- another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest
- the same things.
- 2. But we are sure that
 - the judgment of God is
- according to truth against them which commit such things.
- 3 And thinkest thou this. O man.
- that judgest them which do such things, and doest the
- same, that thou shalt
- escape the judament of God?
 - 4. Or despisest thou
 - the riches of

his aoodness

and forbearance and longsuffering;

- not knowing that the
- goodness of God leadeth thee
 - to repentance?
- 5. But after thy hardness and
 - impenitent heart treasurest **up** unto thyself
- wrath against the day of wrath and
- revelation of the righteous iudament of God:
- 6. Who will render to every man accordina to
- his deeds:
 - 7. To them who by patient continuance in well-doing
- seek for glory and honour and immortality.
- eternal life:
- 8. But unto them that are contentious, and
- do not obey the truth,
 - but obey unrighteousness. indignation and wrath,
- Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first. and also of the Gentile:
 - 10. But glory, honour, and peace, to

every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile:

- 11. For there is no respect of persons with God.
- 12. For as many as have sinned without law shall also
- perish without law:
 and as many as have
- sinned in the law shall be judged by the law;
- 13. (For not the hearers of the law *are* just before God,
- but the doers of the lawshall be justified.
- 14. For when the Gentiles,
 which have not the law, do
 by nature the
- things contained

- in the law, these, having not the law,
- are a law unto themselves:

 15. Which shew the work of
 - the law written in their
- hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and their thoughts the mean while accusing or else excusing one another;)
- 16. In the day when God
 shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel.
- 17. Behold, thou art called a Jew, and restest in the law, and makest thy boast of God.
 - 18. And knowest *his* will, and approvest the things that are more excellent, being instructed out of the law:
 - 19. And art confident that thou thyself art a guide of the blind, a light of them which are in darkness.
- 20. An instructor of the foolish, a teacher of babes, which hast the form of knowledge and of the truth
- in the law.
- 21. Thou therefore whichteachest another, teachest
- thou not thyself?

thou that preachest a man should not steal, dost thou steal?

- 22. Thou that sayest a manshould not commit
- adultery, dost thou commit

- idultery? thou that abhorrest idols, dost thou commit sacrilege?
 23. Thou that makest thy boast of the law, through breaking the law dishonourest thou God?
 24. For the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles through you, as it is written.
- 25. For circumcision verilyprofiteth, if thou keep the
- law: but if thou be a
- breaker of the law,
- thy circumcision is made uncircumcision.
- 26. Therefore if the
- uncircumcision keep the righteousness of the
- law, shall not his
- uncircumcision be counted
- for circumcision?
- 27. And shall not
- uncircumcision which is by nature, if it
- | fulfil the law, judge thee,
- Who by the letter and circumcision
- dost transgress the law?
 28. For he is not a Jew.
- which is one outwardly; neither is that circumcision, which is outward in the flesh:
- 29. But he *is* a Jew, which is
- one inwardly; and
- circumcision is that of the heart,
- in the spirit, and not in the
 - letter; whose praise is not of men, but of God.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. What advantage then
- hath the Jew? or what profit is there of circumcision?
- 2. **Much** every way: chiefly,
- | because that
- unto them were committed
- the oracles of God.
- 3. For what if some did not believe? shall their
- unbelief make the faith of
- God without effect?
- 4. God forbid: yea,
 - let God be true, but every
 - man a liar; as it is written, That

thou mightest be justified in thy sayings, and mightest overcome when thou art judged.

5. But if our unrighteousness

commend the righteous-

ness of God, what shall we say?

I Is God unrighteous who taketh vengeance?

(I speak as a man)

6. God forbid: for then how shall God judge the world?
7. For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie

unto his glory; why yet

■ am l also

judged as a sinner?

8. And not rather, (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say.) Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just.

9. What then? are we better

than they? No, in no wise: for

we have before

proved both Jews and

Gentiles, that they

■ are all

■ under sin; ■ 10. As it is v

10. As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

11. **There is none** that understandeth, there is none

that seeketh after God.

12. They are all gone out of the way, they are together

become unprofitable;

there is none that

doeth good, no, not one.
 13. Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under

their lips:

14. Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:

15. Their feet are swift to shed blood:

16. Destruction and misery *are* in their ways:

17. And the way of peace have they not known:

There is no fear of God before their eyes.

19. Now we know that what things soever

I | the law saith, it saith

■ to them who are

under the law: that every mouth may

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be stopped, and all the world may become guilty

may become before God.

20. Therefore by the

deeds of the

shall no flesh be justified in his sight:

for by the law is the knowledge of sin.

21. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed

is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets:

22. Even the righteousness of God

which is by faith of Jesus

Christ unto all and upon all them

Christ unto all and upon all that believe: for there
 is no difference:

is no difference:
23. For all have sinned, and

come short of the alory of God:

24. Being justified freelyby his grace through the

redemption that is

in Christ Jesus:

25. Whom God hath set forth
 to be a propitiation

to be a propitiation through faith in his

■ blood, to declare his righteousness for

the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; 26. To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be

righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

27. Where is boasting then?

If is excluded. By what law? of works? Nay: but by the law of faith.

28. Therefore we conclude

that a man is justified by faith without the deeds of

the law.

29. Is he the God of the Jews only? is he not also of the Gentiles? Yes, of the Gentiles also:

30. Seeing *it is* one God, which shall justify the

- | circumcision by faith,
- and uncircumcision
- through faith.
- 31. Do we then make void the law through faith? God
- forbid: yea,
- we establish the law.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. What shall we say then that Abraham our father, as
- pertaining to the flesh, hath found?
- 2. For if Abraham were
- justified by works, he hath whereof to glory; but

not before God.

- 3. For what saith the scripture?
- Abraham believed God, and it was counted unto him for
- righteousness.
- 4. Now to him that worketh
- is the reward not reckoned
- of grace, but of debt.
- 5. But to him that worketh
- not, but believeth on himthat justifieth the ungodly,
- his faith is counted for righteousness.
- 6. Even as
- David also
- describeth the blessedness of the man, unto whom God imputeth righteousness without works,
- 7. Saying, Blessed are theywhose iniquities are
- forgiven, and whose sins are covered.
 - 8. Blessed is the man to whom the Lord will not impute sin.
- 9 Cometh this blessedness
 then upon the circumcision
 only, or upon the
- uncircumcision also? for
 - we say that
- faith was reckoned to
- Abraham for
- righteousness.
- reckoned? when he was in circumcision, or in uncircumcision?
 - Not in circumcision, but in

uncircumcision.

- 11. And he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had yet being uncircumcised:
- that he might be the
- father of all them
- that believe, though they be
- not circumcised;

that righteousness might be imputed unto them also:

- 12. And the father of circumcision to
- them who are not of the
- circumcision only, but who also
- | walk in the steps of that
- faith of our father

Abraham, which he had

- being *yet* uncircumcised.
- 13. For the promise, that he should be the heir of the world,
- was not to Abraham, or to his seed,
- through the law, but
- through the righteousness of faith.
- 14. For if they which are
 - I of the law *be* heirs,
- faith is made

the faith of

- **Void,** and the promise made of none effect:
 - 15. Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, *there is* no transgression.
- 16. Therefore it is of faith,
 that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all the seed; not to that only which is of the law, but to that also which is of
- Abraham; who is the fatherof us all,
 - 17. (As it is written, I have made thee a father of many nations,)
- | **before** him whom he believed, even
- God, who quickeneth the dead, and calleth those
- things which be not as
- though they were.
- 18. Who against hope
- **believed** in hope,
- that he might become the
- father of many nations,

according to that which was spoken, So shall thy seed be.

- 19. And being not -
- weak in faith, he
- considered not his
- own body now dead, when he was about an hundred years old.
 - neither vet
- the deadness of
- Sarah's womb:
- 20. He staggered not at the promise of God
- through unbelief: but was strong in faith, giving glory to God;
 - 21. And being fully
- persuaded that, what he
- had promised, he was
- able also
- to perform.
 - 22. And therefore it was
- imputed to him for
- righteousness.
- 23. Now it was not written for his sake alone.
 - that it was imputed to him:
- 24. But for us also, to whom it shall be imputed, if we believe on him that raised
- **up Jesus** our Lord from the dead:
 - 25. Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again
- for our justification.

CHAPTER 5

1. Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through

our Lord Jesus

- Christ:
- 2. By whom also we have
- access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
 - 3. And not only so,
- but we glory in tribulations
- also: knowing that
- tribulation worketh
- patience:
- 4. And patience.
- experience: and
- experience, hope:
- | 5. And hope maketh not

ashamed: because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy

Ghost which is given unto us. For when we were vet

without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

7. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: vet peradventure for a good man

some would even dare to die.

8. But God commendeth his love toward us.

in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

9. Much more then.

being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

10. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son.

much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

11. And not only so, but

we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus

Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement. 12. Wherefore, as by one

man sin entered into the world. and death by sin; and so death passed upon all

men, for that all have sinned:

13. (For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law.)

14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to

Moses, even over them that had not sinned

after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.

> 15. But not as the offence, so also is the free gift. For if through the offence of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many.

- 16. And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift; for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift is of many offences unto justification.
- 17. For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.)
- 18. Therefore as by the offence of one judgment
- came upon all men to condemnation:
- even so by the righteous-ness of one the free aift
 - came upon all men unto justification of life.
- 19. For as by one man's disobedience many were
- made sinners, so by the obedience of one shall
- many be made righteous. 20. Moreover the law
- entered, that the offence
- might abound. But where sin abounded, grace did
- much more abound:
 - 21. That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. What shall we say then?
- Shall we continue in sin.
- that grace may abound? God forbid.

How shall we, that are dead to sin, live any longer therein?

- 3. Know ye not, that so
- many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ
- were baptized into
 - his death?
- 4. Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into
- death: that like
- as Christ was raised up from the dead by the glory of the Father, even
- so we also should walk in newness of life.

- 5. For if we have been planted together in the likeness of his death. we shall be also in the likeness of his resurrection:
- 6. Knowing this, that
- our old man is crucified with *him*, that the body of sin might be destroyed.
- that henceforth
 - we should not serve sin.
 - 7. For he that is dead is freed from sin.
- 8. Now if we be dead with
- Christ, we believe that
 - we shall also live with him:
- 9. Knowing that Christ being raised from the dead
- dieth no more: death hath no more dominion over him.
- For in that he died.
- he died unto sin once:
- **but** in that he liveth.
- he liveth unto God.
- 11. Likewise reckon ve also vourselves to be dead
- indeed
- unto sin, but alive unto God
 - through Jesus Christ our Lord. 12. Let not sin therefore
- - reign in your mortal body. that ve should obey it in the lusts thereof.
 - Neither yield ye your members as instruments of unrighteousness unto
- but yield yourselves unto
 - God, as those that are alive from the dead.
 - and your members as
- instruments of
- riahteousness unto God. 14. For sin shall not have
- dominion over you: for ye are not under the law, but under grace.
- 15. What then? shall we sin.
- because we are
 - not under the law, but
- under grace? God forbid.
- 16. Know ye not, that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey,
- his servants ye are to
- whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?

17. But God be thanked, that ye were the servants of sin, but ve have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you.

18. Being then made free

from sin, ye became the servants of righteousness.

19. I speak after the manner of men because of the infirmity of your flesh: for

as ve have vielded your members servants to uncleanness

and to iniquity unto iniquity;

even so now vield your members servants

to righteousness unto holiness.

> 20. For when ye were the servants of sin, ye were free from righteousness. 21. What fruit had ve then in those things whereof ve are now ashamed?

for the end of those things is death. 22. But now being made

free from sin, and become

servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness.

and the end

everlasting life.

23. For the wages of sin is

death; but the gift of God is eternal life through

■ Jesus Christ our Lord

CHAPTER 7

1. Know ye not, brethren, (for I speak to them that know the law.) how that the law hath dominion over a man as long as he liveth?

2. For the woman which hath an husband

is bound by the law to her husband so long as he

liveth; but if the husband be dead, she is loosed from the

law of her husband

3. So then if, while her husband liveth. she be married to another man, she shall be called an adulteress; but if her husband be dead, she is free from that law; so that she is no adulteress, though she be married to

another man.

4. Wherefore, my brethren,

ve also are become dead to the law by the body of Christ; that ve should be married to another, even to him who is raised

from the dead.

that we should bring forth fruit unto God.

5. For when we were in the flesh, the motions of sins, which were by the law, did work in our members to bring forth fruit unto death.

6. But now we are delivered from the law, that being dead wherein we were held:

that we should serve in newness of spirit.

and not in the oldness of the letter.

7. What shall we say then?

Is the law sin? God forbid. Nay, I had not known sin, but by the law: for I had not known lust, except the law had said. Thou shalt not covet.

8. But sin, taking occasion by the commandment. wrought in me all manner of concupiscence.

For without the law sin was dead.

9 For I was alive without the law once: but when the commandment came, sin revived, and I died.

10. And the commandment. which was ordained to life. I found *to be* unto death.

11. For sin, taking occasion by the commandment, deceived me, and by it slew me.

12. Wherefore the law is holy, and the commandment holy, and just.

and good.

> 13. Was then that which is good made death unto me? God forbid. But sin, that it might appear sin, working death in me by that which is good; that sin by the commandment might become exceeding sinful.

14 FOI we know that

- the law is spiritual: but I am carnal, sold under sin.
- 15. For that which I do I allow not: for what I would,
 - that do I not; but what I hate, that do I.
 - 16. If then I do that which I would not, I consent unto the law that it is good.

 17. Now then it is no more I that do it, but sin that dwelleth in me.
- 18. For I know that in me (that is, in my flesh,) dwelleth no good thing:

for to will is present with me; but

- how to perform that which is good I find not.
- 19 For the good that I would ■ I do not: but the evil

which I would not, that

- I do.
- 20. Now if I do that I would not, it is no more I that do it,
 but sin that dwelleth in me.
 - 21. I find then a law, that, when I would do good, evil is present with me.
- 22. For I delight in the law of
 God after the inward man:
 23. But I see another law
 - 23. **But I see another law** in my members,
- warring against the law of my mind, and bringing me into captivity to the law of sin which is in my members.
- 24. O wretched man that I
 am! who shall deliver me
 from the body of
- this death?
- 25. I thank God through
- Jesus Christ our Lord. So then with the mind I myself serve the law of God; but with the flesh the law of sin.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. There is therefore now no condemnation to them
 - which are
- in Christ Jesus,
- who walk not after the
- flesh, but after the Spirit.
- 2. For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus
- hath made me free

- from the law of sin and death.
- 3. For what the law could
- not do, in that it was weak through the flesh,
- God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin,
- condemned sin in the flesh:4 That the righteousness of
- the law might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but
 - after the Spirit.
 5. For they that are after the flesh do mind the things of the flesh; but
 - mind the things of the flesh; but they that are after the Spirit the things of the Spirit.

 6. For to be carnally minded
- is death; but to be spiritually minded
 ally minded is life and peace.
 7. Because the carnal mind
- is enmity against God:
 for it is not subject to the law of God,
 neither indeed can be.
- 8. So then they that are in the flesh cannot please God.
- 9. But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his.
- 10. And if Christ be in you,
 the body is dead because
 of sin; but the Spirit is life
 because of righteousness.
- 11. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead
- dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead
- shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit

that dwelleth in you.

- 12. Therefore, brethren, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live after the flesh.
- 13. For if ye live after the flesh, ye shall die: but if ye through the Spirit do mortify the deeds of the body, ye shall live.
- 14. For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God.

15. For ye have not received the spirit of bondage again to fear; but ye have received the Spirit of adoption, whereby we cry, Abba, Father.

16. The Spirit itself beareth witness with our spirit, that we are the children of God:

17. And if children, then heirs; heirs of God, and joint-

heirs with Christ; if so be that we suffer with him, that we may be also

glorified together.

18. For I reckon that

the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.

19. For the earnest expectation of

the creature waiteth for the manifestation of the sons of God.

 For the creature was made subject to vanity, not willingly, but by reason of him who hath subjected the same in hope.

21. Because the creature
 itself also shall be
 delivered from the bondage of corruption into the
 glorious liberty

of the children of God.

22. For we know that the whole creation groaneth and travaileth in pain together until now.

23. **And** not only *they*, but ourselves also.

which have the first fruits of the Spirit, even we ourselves

groan within ourselves.

waiting for the adoption, to wit,

the redemption of ourbody.

■ 24. For we are saved by ■ hope:

but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for?

25. But if we hope for that we see not, then do we with

patience wait for it.

26. Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for

we know not what we should pray for as we ought:

but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with argains which cannot be uttered

27. **And** he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the mind of

the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints

according to the will of God.

28. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to

his purpose.
29. For whom he did
foreknow, he also

foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of

his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.
30. Moreover whom he did predestinate.

them he also called:

and whom he called,

them he also justified: and whom he justified.

them he also glorified.

31. What shall we then say to these things?

If God be for us, who can be against us?

32. He that spared not hisown Son, but delivered him up

for us all, how

shall he not with him also

snall he not with him also freely give us all things?

as. Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's

elect? It is God that justifieth.

34. Who is he that condemneth?

■ It is Christ that died,

■ yea rather,

that is risen again, who is even at the right hand of God,

who also maketh

- intercession for us
- 35 Who shall separate us.
- from the love of Christ? shall tribulation.

or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril.

- or sword?
- 36. As it is written, For thy
- sake we are killed all the
- day long: we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.
 - 37. Nay, in all these things
- we are more than
- conquerors through him
- that loved us.
- 38. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor
 - angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come.
 - 39. Nor height, nor depth,
- nor any other creature,
- | shall be able to
- separate us from the love
- of God, which is
- in Christ Jesus our Lord.

CHAPTER 9

1. I say the truth in Christ.

I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost.

- 2. That I have
 - great heaviness and continual
- sorrow in my heart.
- 3. For I could wish that
- myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren,
 - my kinsmen according to the flesh:
- 4 Who are Israelites:

to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises:

- 5. Whose are the fathers.
- and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came.

who is over all, God blessed for ever.

- 6. Not as though the word of God
- hath taken
- none effect. For they are not
 - all Israel, which are of

- Israel:
 - 7. Neither, because they are
- of Abraham, are they all
- children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.
- 8. That is, They
- which are the children of the flesh, these
- are not the
- children of God: but the
- children of the promise are counted for the seed
- - 9. For this is the word of promise.

At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son.

- 10. **And** not only *this*; but when
- Rebecca also had
- conceived by
 - one, even by our father
- Isaac;

- 11. (For the children being
 - not vet born, neither having done any good or evil, that
- the purpose of God according to election
- might stand, not of works. but of him that calleth;)
- 12. It was said unto her. The elder shall serve
- the younger.
- 13. As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have
- I hated.
- 14. What shall we say then?
- Is there unrighteousness
 - with God? God forbid.
- 15. For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I
- will have mercy.
- and I will have
 - compassion on whom I will have compassion.
- 16 So then it is not of him that willeth.
- nor of him that runneth.
- but of God that sheweth mercy.
 - 17. For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all

the earth.

18. Therefore hoth he mercy on whom he will have mercy.

and whom he will

■ he hardeneth.

19. Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find

fault? For who hath

■ resisted his will?

20. Nay but, O man,

who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the

thing formed say to him

that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?

21. Hath not the potter power over the clay, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

22. What if God, willing to shew his wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:

23. And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared

unto glory.

24. Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

25. As he saith also in Osee,

I will call them my people, which were not

my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.

26. And it shall come to pass, that in the place where it was said unto them. Ye are not my people; there shall they be called the children of the living God.

27. Esaias also crieth concerning Israel, Though the number of the children of Israel be as the sand of the sea, a remnant shall be saved:

28. For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness:

because a short work will the Lord make upon the earth.

29. And as Esaias said before, Except the Lord of Sabaoth had left us a seed, we had been as Sodoma, and been made like unto Gomorrha.

30. What shall we say then?

That the Gentiles, which followed not after righteousness, have attained to righteousness which is of faith.

31. But Israel, which followed after the law of righteousness, hath not attained to the law of

righteousness.

32. Wherefore? Because they sought it not by faith,

■ **but** as it were

by the works of the law.

For they stumbled at that stumblingstone;

33. As it is written, Behold, I lay in Sion a stumblingstone and rock of offence: and whosoever believeth on him shall not be ashamed.

CHAPTER 10

1. Brethren, my heart's
desire and prayer to God
for Israel is, that they might
be saved.

2. For I bear them record that
they have a zeal of God,
but not according
to knowledge.

3. For they being ignorant of
God's righteousness, and
going about to establish
their own righteousness,
have not submitted

themselves
unto the righteousness
of God.

4. For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

5. For Moses describeth the righteousness which is

of the law, That the man which doeth those things shall live by them.

6. But the righteousness which is

of faith speaketh on this
 wise, Say not in thine heart. Who shall ascend into heaven? (that is, to bring Christ down from above:)

7. Or. Who shall descend into the

- deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead.)
- 8. But what saith it? The word is nighthee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach:
- 9. That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord
 Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead,
 thou shalt be saved.
 - 10. For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.
- 11. For the scripture saith,
 Whosoever believeth on
 him shall not be ashamed.

- 12. For there is no difference between the Jew and the Greek: for the same Lord over all is rich unto all that call upon him.
- 13. For whosoever shall call
 upon the name of the Lord
 shall be saved.
 - 14. How then shall they call on him in
 - whom they have not believed? and how shall they believe in him of whom
- they have not heard? and
- how shall they
- hear without a preacher?
- 15. And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written.
- How beautiful are the feetof them that preach the
- gospel of peace, and bring glad tidings of good things!
 - 16. But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Esaias saith, Lord, who hath believed our report?
- 17. So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
 - 18. But I say, Have they not heard? Yes verily, their sound went into all the earth, and their words unto the ends of the world.
 - 19. But I say, Did not Israel

| know? First Moses saith,

will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people, and

- by a foolish nation I will anger you.
- 20. But Esaias is very bold, and saith. I was found of them
- saith, I was found of them that sought me not;
 - I was made manifest unto them that asked not after me.
- 21. But to Israel he saith, All day long
- I have stretched forth
 - my hands unto a
- disobedient and gainsaying
- |■ people.

CHAPTER 11

- | 1. I say then, Hath God cast
- away his people? God forbid. For I also am
- an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.
- Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.

 2. God hath not cast away
- his people which he foreknew.
 Wot ye not what
- the scripture saith of Elias?
- how he maketh
- intercession to God
- against Israel saying,
 3 Lord, they have killed
- 3. Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine alters; and I am left alone.
- and they seek my life.
- 4. But what saith the answer of
- God unto him?
- I have reserved to myself seven thousand men.
 - who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal.
- 5. Even so then at this
- present time also there is a remnant according
- to the election of grace.
- 6. And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise
- grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then it is no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.
- 7. What then? Israel hath
- seeketh for;
- but the election hath

obtained it, and the rest were blinded.

- (According as it is written, God hath given them the spirit of slumber, eyes that they should not see, and ears that they should not hear;) unto this day.
- And David saith, Let their table be made a snare, and a trap, and a stumblingblock, and a recompence unto them:
- 10. Let their eyes be darkened, that they may not see, and bow down their back alway.
- 11. I say then, Have they stumbled that they should fall? God forbid: but rather through their fall salvation is come unto the Gentiles,

for to provoke them to jealousy.

- 12. Now if the fall of them *be* the riches of the world, and the diminishing of them the riches of the Gentiles; how much more their fulness?
- 13. **For** I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch
- as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:
- 14. If by any means I may provoke to emulation them
 which are my flesh, and
 might save some of them.
 - 15. For if the casting away of them *be* the reconciling of the world, what *shall* the receiving *of them be*, but life from the dead?
- 16. For if the firstfruit be
- holy, the lump is also
- *holy*: and if the
- root *be* holy, so *are* the branches.
- 17. **And if some** of the
- branches be broken off,and thou, being a wild
- olive tree, wert grafted in
 among them, and with them
 partakest of the root
- and fatness of the olive tree;
- 18. Boast not against the branches. But if thou boast,
- thou begrest not the root.

- but the root thee.
- 19. Thou wilt say then,
 The branches were
 - The branches were broken off
- broken off.
 that I might be
- Indi i migni b
- 20. Well; because of unbelief they were
- broken off.
- and thou standest by
- faith. Be not highminded, but fear:
- 21. For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he also spare not thee.
- 22. Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity: but toward thee.
- goodness, if thou continue in *his* goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.
- 23. And they also, if they abide not still
- in unbelief, shall be grafted
 in: for God is able to graft them in
 again.
 - again.24. For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by
 - nature, and wert grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural *branches*, be grafted into their own olive tree?
- 25. For I would not, brethren, that ye should be ignorant of this mystery, lest ye should be wise in your own conceits: that
- blindness in part is happened to Israel, until
 the fulness of the Gentiles
- 26. And so all Israel shallbe saved: as it is written,

There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

- 27. For this is my covenant unto them, when
- I shall take away their sins.
 28. As concerning the
 aospel, they are enemies

- for your sakes: but as
 touching the election, they
 are beloved for the
 father's sakes.
 - 29. For the gifts and calling of God are without repentance.
- 30. For as ye in times past have not believed God, yet have now
- obtained mercy through
 their unbelief:
- 31. **Even so** have these also now not believed, that
- through your mercythey also may obtainmercy.
 - For God hath concluded them all in unbelief, that he might have mercy upon all.
- 33. O the depth of the riches both
- of the wisdom and knowledge of God!
- how unsearchable *are* his
- judgments, and his ways past finding out!
- 34. For who hath known the mind of the Lord? or who hath been his counsellor?
 - 35. Or who hath first given to him, and it shall be recompensed unto him again?
- 36. For of him, and through him, and to him, are all
- **things:** to whom *be* glory for ever. Amen.

CHAPTER 12

- | 1. I beseech you
- therefore, brethren,
- by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a
- living sacrifice, holy,
- acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.
- 2. And be not conformed to
- this world: but be ye transformed by the
 - renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God.
- 3. For I say, through the grace given unto me,
- that is among you,

- not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think;
 but to think soberly, according as God hath dealt to every
 - man the measure of faith.

 4. For as we have many
- 4. For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:
- 5. So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.
- 6. Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;
 - 7. Or ministry, *let us wait* on *our* ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;
 - 8. Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, *let him do it* with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.
- 9. Let love be without
 dissimulation. Abhor that
 which is evil; cleave
 to that which is good.
- 10. Be kindly affectioned one to another

with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

11. Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit:

serving the Lord;

- 12. Rejoicing in hope;
- patient in tribulation;
- continuing instantin prayer;
- in prayer;■ 13. Distributi
- 13. Distributing to the necessity of saints;

given to hospitality.

14. Bless them which persecute you:

bless, and curse not.

- 15. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with
- them that weep.
- 16. Be of the same mind one toward another.
- Mind not high things, but
- condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your

- I own conceits.
- 17. Recompense to no man
 - evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.
 - 18. **If it be possible,** as much as lieth in you.
- live peaceably with
- all men.
 19. Dearly beloved, avenge
- not yourselves,
 but rather give place unto wrath:
- for it is written, Vengeance
- is mine; I will repay,
- saith the Lord.
- 20. Therefore if thine enemy
- hunger, feed him;
 - if he thirst, give him drink: for
- in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.
- 21. Be not overcome of evil,
- but overcome evil
- with good.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. Let every soul be subject
 unto the higher powers. For
 there is no power but
 - of God: the powers
- that be are
 - ordained of God.
- 2. Whosoever therefore
- resisteth the power,
- resisteth the ordinance of
- God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves
- damnation.
- 3. For rulers are not a terror to good works, but to the
 - **evil.** Wilt thou then not be afraid of the power? do that which is good, and thou shalt have praise of the same:
- 4 For he is the minister of
- God to thee for good. But if
- thou do that which is
- evil, be afraid; for he beareth not the sword in vain:
- for he is the minister of God,
- a revenger to *execute*
- wrath upon him that doeth evil.
- 5. Wherefore *ye* must needs
- **be subject,** not only for wrath, but also for conscience sake

- 6. For for this cause
- pay ye tribute also: for they are God's ministers,
 - attending continually upon this very thing.
- 7. Render therefore to all
- their dues: tribute to whom tribute is due; custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honour to whom honour.
- 8. Owe no man any thing,
- but to love one another: for he that loveth another hath
 - he that loveth another hath fulfilled the law.
 - For this, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not kill, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, Thou shalt not covet: and
- if there be any other commandment, it is briefly comprehended
- in this saying, namely,
- Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
 - 10. Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore love *is* the fulfilling of the law.
 - 11. And that, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep: for now is our salvation nearer than when we believed.
 - 12. The night is far spent, the day is at hand:
- let us therefore
- cast off the works of darkness, and let us
 - darkness, and let us
- put on the armour of light.

 13. Let us walk honestly.
 - as in the day; not in rioting and drunkenness, not in chambering and wantonness, not in strife and envying.
- 14. But put ye on the Lord
 Jesus Christ, and make not
 provision for the flesh.
 - to fulfil the lusts thereof.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. Him that is weak in the
- faith receive ye.
- but not to doubtful
 - disputations.
 - 2 For one believeth that he

- may eat all things: another, who is weak, eateth herbs. 3. Let not him that eateth despise him that eateth not; and let not him which eateth not judge him that eateth: for God hath received him.
- 4. Who art thou that judgest another man's servant?

to his own master he standeth or falleth. Yea, he shall be holden up; for God is able to make him stand.

- 5. One man esteemeth one day above another: another esteemeth every day *alike*. Let every man be fully
- persuaded in his own mind.
- He that regardeth the day.
 - regardeth it unto the Lord; and he that regardeth not the day, to the Lord he doth not regard it. He that eateth, eateth to the
- **Lord,** for he giveth God thanks; and he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not. and giveth God thanks.
- 7. For none of us liveth to himself
- and no man dieth to himself.
 - 8. For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; and whether we die, we die unto the Lord:
- whether we live therefore. or die, we are the Lord's.
- 9. For to this end Christ both
- died. and rose, and revived. that he might be Lord both
- of the dead and living.
- 10. But why dost thou judge thy brother? or why dost thou set at nought thy brother?
- for we shall all stand before the judament
- seat of Christ.
 - 11. For it is written,
- \blacksquare | As I live, saith the Lord,
- | every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall
- confess to God.

- 12. So then every one of us shall aive account of himself to God.
- 13. Let us not therefore judge one another

any more: but judge this rather.

that no man put a stumblinablock

or an occasion to fall

- in *his* brother's way. 14. I know, and am persuaded
- by the Lord Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that
- esteemeth any thing to be
- unclean, to him
- it is unclean.
- 15. But if thy brother be grieved with thy meat, now walkest thou not charitably.
- Destroy not him with thy • meat, for whom Christ died.
- 16. **Let not then your good** be evil spoken of:
- 17. For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but
 - righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.
 - For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men.
- 19 Let us therefore follow after the
- things which make for
- peace, and things
- wherewith one may edify another.
 - 20. For meat destroy not the work of God.
- All things indeed are pure:
- but it is evil for that man who eateth with offence.
- 21. It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy
- brother stumbleth.
 - or is offended, or is made weak. 22. Hast thou faith? have it to thyself before God.
- Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth.
- 23. And he that doubteth is

■ damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: ■ for whatsoever is not of

faith is sin.

CHAPTER 15

1. We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of

the weak, and not to please ourselves.

2. Let every one of us please *his* neighbour for *his* good to edification.

3. For even Christ pleased

3. For even Christ pleased not himself; but, as it is written,
 The reproaches of them that

reproached thee fell on me.

4. For whatsoever things
 were written aforetime were
 written for our learning, that
 we through

patience and comfort of the scriptures might

the scriptures mighave hope.

5. Now the God of patience and consolation grant you to be likeminded one toward another according to Christ Jesus:

6. That ye may with one mind and one mouth glorify
 God, even the Father of our Lord
 Jesus Christ.

7. Wherefore receive ye one another, as Christ also received us to the glory of God.

8. Now I say that Jesus
Christ was a minister of the circumcision for the truth of God.

to confirm the promises made unto the fathers:

9. And that the Gentiles might glorify God for his

mercy; as it is written,
For this cause

I will confess to theeamong the Gentiles,

and sing unto thy name.

10. And again he saith, Rejoice, ye Gentiles, with his people.

■ In And again, Praise the Lord, all ye Gentiles;

and laud him, all ye people.

12. And again, Esaias saith,
There shall be a root of

Jesse, and he that shall rise to reign over the Gentiles;

in him shall the Gentiles trust.

13. Now the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace

■ in believing,

that ye may abound in hope,

through the power of the Holy Ghost.

■ 14. And I myself also

am persuaded of you, my brethren,

that ye also are full of goodness,

filled with all knowledge,

able also to admonish one another.

15. Nevertheless, brethren, I have written the more

boldly unto you in some sort, as putting you in mind.

because of the grace that is given to me of God,

16. That I should be the minister of Jesus Christ to the Gentiles.

ministering the gospel of God,

that the offering up of the Gentiles might be acceptable, being sanctified by the Holy Ghost.

17. I have therefore whereof
 I may glory through Jesus
 Christ in those things which pertain
 to God

■ 18. For I will not dare to speak of any of those

things which Christ hath not

wrought by me, to make theGentiles obedient,

by word and deed,

19. Through mighty signs
 and wonders, by the power
 of the Spirit of God; so
 that from Jerusalem, and round about

unto Illyricum,

I have fully preached the gospel of Christ.

20. Yea, so have I strived to preach the gospel,

not where Christ was

named, lest I should build upon another man's foundation:

- | 21. But as it is written, To
- whom he was not spoken
- of, they shall see: and they that have not heard shall understand.
- 22. For which cause also
 I have been much hindered
- from coming to you.

 23. But now having no more place in
- these parts, and
- having a great desire these many years
- to come unto you;
- 24. Whensoever I take my iourney into Spain, I will
- Come to you: for I trust to see you in my journey, and to be brought on my way thitherward by you, if first I be somewhat filled with your company.
- 25. But now I go
- unto Jerusalem
 to minister unto the saints.
- 26. For it hath pleased them
- of Macedonia and Achaia
- to make a certain
- contribution for the poor saints which are
- at Jerusalem.
 - 27. It hath pleased them verily; and their debtors they are. For if the Gentiles have been made partakers of their spiritual things, their duty is
 - their spiritual things, their duty is also to minister unto them in carnal things.

 28. When therefore I have performed
 - this, and have sealed to them this fruit, I will come by you into Spain. 29. And I am sure that, when I come unto you, I shall come in the fulness of the blessing of the gospel of Christ.
- 30. Now I beseech you,
- brethren, for the Lord Jesus
- Christ's sake, and for the love of the Spirit,
- | that ye strive together with me
- in *your* prayers to God for me:
- 31. That I may be delivered
- from them that do not
- believe in Judaea; and
- that my service which I have
- for Jerusalem may be accepted of the saints;
 - 32. That I may come unto you with joy

- by the will of God, and may with you be refreshed.
- 33. Now the God of peace *be* with you all. Amen.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. I commend unto you Phoebe our sister, which is a servant of the church which is at Cenchrea:
- That ye receive her in the Lord, as becometh saints, and that ye assist her in whatsoever business she hath need of you: for she hath been a succourer of many, and of myself also.
- 3. Greet Priscilla and Aquila my helpers in Christ Jesus:
- 4. Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles.
- Likewise greet the church that is in their house. Salute my well-beloved Epaenetus, who is the firstfruits of Achaia unto Christ.
- 6. Greet Mary, who bestowed much labour on us.
- Salute Andronicus and Junia, my kinsmen, and my fellow-prisoners, who are of note among the apostles, who also were in Christ before me.
- 8. Greet Amplias my beloved in the Lord.
- Salute Urbane, our helper in Christ, and Stachys my beloved.
- 10. Salute Apelles approved in Christ. Salute them which are of Aristobulus' household.
- 11. Salute Herodion my kinsman.
 Greet them that be of the *household* of Narcissus, which are in the Lord.
- 12. Salute Tryphena and Tryphosa, who labour in the Lord. Salute the beloved Persis, which laboured much in the Lord.
- 13. Salute Rufus chosen in the Lord, and his mother and mine.
- 14. Salute Asyncritus, Phlegon, Hermas, Patrobas, Hermes, and the brethren which are with them.
- 15. Salute Philologus, and Julia, Nereus, and his sister, and Olympas, and all the saints which are with them.

- 16. Salute one another with an holy kiss. The churches of Christ salute you.
- 17. Now I beseech you,
 brethren, mark them which
 cause divisions
- and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned;

and avoid them.

18. For they that are such serve not our Lord

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- but their own belly; and by good words and fair speeches
- deceive the hearts of the simple.
 - 19. For your obedience is come abroad unto all *men*. I am glad therefore on your behalf: but yet
- I would have you wise unto that which is good,

and simple concerning evil.

20. And the God of peace shall bruise Satan under your feet shortly.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with you. Amen.

21. Timotheus my workfellow, and Lucius, and Jason, and Sosipater, my kinsmen, salute you.

- 22. I Tertius, who wrote *this* epistle, salute you in the Lord.
- 23. Gaius mine host, and of the whole church, saluteth you. Erastus the chamberlain of the city saluteth you, and Quartus a brother.
- 24. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.
- 25. Now to him that is of power to stablish you
- according to my gospel, and the preaching of Jesus
 - Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery,
- which was kept secret since the
- world began,
- 26. But now is made
- manifest, and by the scriptures
- of the prophets,

 according to the
- commandment of

the everlasting

- God, made known to all nations
- for the obedience of faith:
 27. To God only wise, be
 - glory through Jesus Christ for ever.
 - Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE ROMANS

The bridge between the Gospels, the Acts, and the rest of the New Testament

Paul's Epistle to the

- Romans is recognized as
- one of the great
- masterpieces of literature,
- and secular. Addressed to Christians living in Rome – the city which was the center of the ancient world – Romans
- is the only book in the New
- **Testament**, with the possible exception of Hebrews.
- which was written as a
- Theological Treatise rather than an encouraging or correcting letter.
- In Romans, Paul forcefully
- presents the entire scope of Christian doctrine and
 - provides an authoritative theology as well as expresses the universality of the Gospel. Romans
- gives a comprehensive
- interpretation of the
- Incarnation and the
- ministry of Christ, showing with convincing logic and supported by Old Testament scriptures.
- that God has made a
- | radical breakthrough

- into human history
- in the life, death, and resurrection of His Son.
 - The dilemma of the
- human condition.
- sinfulness, is met with a profound solution
 - the righteousness of God
- made real for the individual
 by faith. Many of the great revivals
 began with a study of Romans.
- Augustine, Luther and
- Wesley, credit Romans as
- the source from which theygained an understanding
- of the Gospel.
- Christian theology has
- never had a higher
- expression than presented by Paul in Romans under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
- The Epistle has another
- significance for the student of the Bible.
- It interprets the
- life of Jesus as seen in the
- Gospels, and finally, it
- | forms a bridge between
- the Acts and the rest of the
- New Testament.

THE FIRST EPISTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Paul, an Apostle.

Date Written - probably

between 55 and 60 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 437 Chapters - 16 Total Words - 9,489 Scan Words - 4,543 Scan Words represent 47 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to reveal the new life believers have in Christ, and how believers should conduct themselves individually and as members of the Church.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Paul Denounces Factions and Stresses
 the Need for Church
 Discipline.
 Chapters 1—6
- II. Paul Answers Questions Concerning Marriage and the Christian's Influence Upon Others. Chapters 7—10
- III. Paul Contrasts
 Disorderly Worship with
 the Way of Love and
 Explains
 the Meaning of the
 Resurrection.
 Chapter 11—16

CHAPTER 1

- 1. Paul called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God,
- **and Sosthenes** our brother,
 - 2. Unto the church of God which is
- at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:
- 3. Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4. I thank my
 God always on your behalf,
- for the grace of God which is
- given you by Jesus Christ;
- 5. That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all
 - utterance, and in all knowledge;
 - 6. Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:
- 7. So that ye come behind in no gift; waiting for the
 coming of our Lord Jesus
- coming of our Lord JesusChrist:
- 8. Who shall also confirmyou unto the end,
- that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
 God is faithful, by whom ye were
 - 9. God *is* faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 10. Now I beseech you, brethren,
- by the name of
- Our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and
- that there be no divisions among you; but that ye be
- perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.
- 11. For it hath been
- declared unto me of you, my brethren, by them which are of the house of Chloe,
- that there are contentionsamong you.
 - 12. Now this I say, that
- every one of you saith, I am
 of Paul; and

- I of Apollos; and
- I of Cephas; and I of Christ.
- 13. Is Christ divided? was ■ Paul crucified for you? or ■ were ye baptized in the
 - name of Paul?
- 14. I thank God that I baptized none of you, but
- Crispus and Gaius;■ 15. Lest any should say
- that I had
- baptized in mine own name.
 - 16. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas: besides, I know not whether I baptized any other.
- 17. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel:
- not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should
- be made of none effect.
- 18. For the preaching of the cross is to them that
- perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it
- is the power of God.
- 19. For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the
- Wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.
 - 20. Where is the wise? where is the scribe? where is the disputer of this world?
- hath not God made foolishthe wisdom of this world?
- 21. **FOr** after that in the wisdom of God
- the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by
- the foolishness of
- preaching to save them that believe.
- 22. For the Jews require a sign, and the Greeks
- seek after
- | wisdom:
- 23. But we preach Christ
 - crucified, unto the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto the Greeks foolishness;
 - 24. But unto them which are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ

- the power of God, and the wisdom of God
- 25. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men:
- and the weakness of God is

stronger than men. 26. For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many

noble, are called:

- 27. But God hath chosen the
- foolish things of the world
- to confound the wise;

and God hath chosen the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty:

- 28. And base things of the world, and things which are despised,
 - hath God chosen, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:
- 29. That no flesh should
- glory in his presence.
 - 30. But of him are ve
 - in Christ Jesus, who of
 - God is made unto us
 - wisdom, and
 - righteousness, and
- sanctification, and
- redemption:
- 31. That, according as it is written,
- He that glorieth, let him
- glory in the Lord.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. And I.
 - brethren, when I came to you,
- came not with excellency
- of speech or of
- wisdom, declaring unto you the lestimony of God.
- 2. For I determined not to
- know any thing among you,
- save Jesus
- Christ, and him crucified.
 - 3. And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling.
- 4. And my speech and my preaching
- was not with enticing words
- of man's wisdom, but in
- demonstration of the Spirit
- I and of power:

- 5. That your faith should not stand in the
- wisdom of men.
- but in the power of God.
 - 6. Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect; yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world that come to nought:
- 7. But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God
- ordained before the world unto our glory:
 - 8. Which none of the princes of this world knew: for had they known it. they would not have crucified the Lord of alory.
- 9. But as it is written. Eve hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man.
- the things which God hath prepared for them that love him.
- 10 But God hath revealed them unto us
- by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.
 - 11. For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God
- 12. Now we have received. not the spirit of the world, but
- the spirit which is of God; that we might know the
- things that are freely given to us of God.
- Which things also we speak, not in the words which man's wisdom teacheth, but which
- the Holy Ghost teacheth; comparing spiritual things with spiritual.
- 14. But the natural man receiveth not the things of
 - the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him:
- neither can he know them,
 - because they are

- spiritually discerned.
 15. But he that is spiritual
 judgeth all things,
- yet he himself is judged of no man.
- 16. For who hath known the mind of the Lord, that he may instruct him?
- But we have the mind of Christ.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. And I, brethren, could not speak unto you as unto spiritual, but as unto carnal, even
- as unto babes in Christ.
 2 I have fed you with milk,
- and not with meat: for hitherto ye were not able to bear it, neither yet now are ye able.
 - 3. For ye are yet carnal:
- for whereas

- there is among you
- envying, and
- strife, and divisions,
- are ye not carnal, and walk as men?

 4. For while one saith, I am
- of Paul; and another, I am
- of Apollos; are ye not carnal?
- 5. Who then is Paul, and who is
- Apollos, but ministers by whom ye believed, even as the Lord gave to every man?
- 6. I have planted, Apollos
 watered; but God gave
 the increase.
 - 7. So then neither is he that planteth any thing, neither he that watereth; but God that giveth the increase.
- 8. Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labour.
- 9. For we are labourers together with God: ye are God's husbandry,
 - ye are God's building.
 - According to the grace of God which is given unto me, as a wise masterbuilder,
- I have laid the foundation.

and another buildeth thereon.

But let every man take heed how he buildeth thereupon.

- 11. For other foundation can no man lay than
- that is laid, which is
- Jesus Christ.
- 12. Now if any man build
 upon this foundation gold,
 silver, precious stones,
- wood, hay, stubble;
- 13. Every man's work shall
- **be** made
 - manifest: for the day shall declare it,
- **because** it shall be revealed by fire; and
- the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.
- 14. If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon,
- he shall receive a reward.
 - i 15. If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall
- **be saved;** yet so as by fire.
- 16. Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that
- the Spirit of God
- dwelleth in you?

 17. If any man defile the
 - temple of God,
- him shall God destroy: for the temple of God is holy, which
- for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

 18. Let no man deceive
- himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise
- 19. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with
- God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness.
 - 20. And again, The Lord knoweth the thoughts of the wise, that they are vain.
- 21. Therefore let no man
 glory in men. For all things
 are yours;
 - 22. Whether Paul, or Apollos, or Cephas, or the world, or life, or death, or things present, or things to come;

all are yours:

23. And ye are Christ's; and ■ Christ is God's.

CHAPTER 4

1. Let a man so account of

us. as of the

ministers of Christ.

and stewards of the mysteries of God.

2. Moreover it is required in

stewards, that a man be found

faithful.

3. But with me

it is a very small thing

that I should

be judged of you, or of man's judgment:

vea. Liudge not mine own self. 4. For I know nothing by myself; yet

am I not hereby justified: but

he that judgeth me is the Lord.

5. Therefore judge nothing before the time.

until the Lord come, who both will bring to light the hidden things of darkness, and will make manifest the counsels of the hearts; and then shall every man have praise of God.

6. And these things,

brethren. I have in a figure transferred to myself and to

Apollos for your sakes;

that ye might learn in us not to think of men

> above that which is written, that no one of you be puffed up for one against another.

7. For who maketh thee to differ from another? and

what hast thou that thou didst not receive? now if thou didst receive it. why dost thou glory, as if thou hadst not received it?

8. Now ye are full, now ye are rich.

ve have reigned as kings without us: and I would to God ye did reign,

that we also might reign with you.

9. For I think that God hath

set forth us

the apostles last.

as it were appointed to death; for we are made a spectacle unto the world. and to angels, and to men.

10 We are fools for Christ's sake, but ve are wise in Christ; we are weak, but ve are strong; ve are honourable, but we are despised.

11. Even unto this present

hour we both

hunger, and

thirst, and are naked. and are buffeted.

and have no certain dwellinaplace:

12. And labour, working with our own hands:

being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we suffer it:

13. Being defamed, we entreat:

we are made as the filth of the world, and are the offscouring of all things unto this day.

14. I write not these things to shame vou, but as my beloved sons

l warn vou.

15. For though ye have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet have ye not many fathers:

for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel.

16. Wherefore I beseech you,

be ve

followers of me.

17. For this cause have I sent unto you

Timotheus, who is my beloved son, and faithful in the Lord.

who shall bring you into remembrance of my ways which be

in Christ, as I teach every where in every church.

18. Now some are puffed up, as though I would not come to you.

19. But I will come to you shortly, if the Lord will, and will know, not the speech of them which are puffed up, but the power.

20. For the kingdom of God is not in

word, but in power.

■ 21. What will ye? shall I

come unto you

with a rod, or in love,

and in the spirit of meekness?

CHAPTER 5

- 1. It is reported commonly
- that there is fornication among you, and

such fornication as is not so much as named among the Gentiles,

- that one should have his father's wife.
- 2. **And ye** are puffed up, and have not rather
- mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be
- taken away from among you.
- 3. For I verily, as absent in body, but present in spirit,
- have judged already, as though I were present, concerning
- him that hath so done this deed,
 - In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when ye are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,
- 5. To deliver such an one
- unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh,
- that the spirit may be
- saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.
 - 6. Your glorying is not good.
- Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth
- the whole lump?
- 7. Purge out therefore the

old leaven, that ye may be a new lump, as ye are unleavened. For even Christ our passover is sacrificed for us:

8. Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven,

neither with the leaven of malice and wickedness;

- but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
- 9. I wrote unto you in an epistle
- not to company
- with fornicators:

- 10. Yet not altogether with the fornicators of this
 - world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or with idolaters:
- for then must ye needs go out of the world.
- Our or the world.
 In But now I have written.
- unto you

 not to keep company, if
- any man that is called a
 brother be a fornicator,

or covetous, or an idolater, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner;

- with such an one
- no not to eat.
 - 12. For what have I to do to judge them also that are without? do not ye judge them that are within?
 13. But them that are
 - 13. But them that are without God judgeth.
- Therefore put away from
- among yourselves that wicked person.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. **Dare any** of you, having a matter against another,
- go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?
- 2. Do ye not know that the
- saints shall judge the world? and
 - if the world shall be judged by you,
- are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters?
- 3. Know ye not that we shall
- **Judge angels?** how much more things that pertain to this life?
- 4. If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life,
- set them to judge who are
- least esteemed ■ in the church.
 - 5. I speak to your shame.
 - Is it so, that there
- is not a wise man among
- you? no, not one that shall be
- able to judge between his
- brethren?
- 6. But brother goeth to law
- with brother, and that
- before the unbelievers.
 - 7. Now therefore there is utterly a fault

among you, because ye go to law one with another.

■ Why do ye

not rather take wrong? why

not rather suffer yourselves to be defrauded?

8. Nay, ye do wrong, and defraud, and that *your* brethren.

9. Know ye not that the
 unrighteous shall not
 inherit the kingdom of God?

■ Be not deceived: neither

■ fornicators, nor

■ idolaters, nor

adulterers, nor

effeminate, nor

abusers of themselves with mankind.

10. Nor thieves, nor

covetous, nor

■ drunkards, nor

revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom

of God

■ 11. And such were some of

you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified,

but ye are justified in the name of the Lord

Jesus, and by the Spirit

of our God.

12. All things are lawful

unto me,
but all things are not

expedient: all things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any.

13. Meats for the belly, and the belly for meats: but God shall destroy both it and them. Now

the body is not for fornication, but for the

Lord; and the Lord for the body.

■ 14. And God hath both

raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us

by his own power.

■ 15. Know ye not that your

bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then

take the members of Christ, and

make them the members of

an harlot? God forbid.

16. What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh.
17. But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.

18. Flee fornication. Every sin that a man doeth is without the body; but he that committeth fornication sinneth against his own body.

19. What? know ye not that your body is the temple of

the Holy Ghost

which is in you, which ye have of God,

and ye are not your own?
20. For ye are bought with a

price: therefore glorify God in your body,

and in your spirit, which are God's.

CHAPTER 7

1. Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me:

it is good for a man not to touch a woman.

2. Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, let every man

have his own wife, and let every woman have

every woman haveher own husband.

3. Let the husband render unto the wife

■ due benevolence: and

■ likewise also

■ the wife unto the husband.

4. The wife hath not power of her own body.

but the husband; and

likewise also the husband

hath not power of his own body, but the wife.

body, but the wife.

5. Defraud ye not one the other, except

it be with consent for a time,

■ that ye may give

yourselves to fasting and

prayer, and come together again, that Satan tempt you not

for your incontinency.

6. But I speak this by

permission, *and* not of commandment.

7 For I would that all men

Were even as I myself. But every man hath his proper aiff of God.

one after this manner. and another after that.

8. I say therefore to the unmarried and widows. It is **aood** for them

if they abide even

as I.

9. But if they cannot contain, let them marry:

for it is better to marry than to burn. 10. And unto the married I

command, yet not I, but the Lord. Let not the wife depart from *her* husband: 11. But and if she depart, let

her remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband; and let not the husband put away his wife.

> 12. But to the rest speak I, not the Lord:

If any brother hath a wife that believeth not, and she be pleased to dwell with him, let him not put her away.

13. And the woman which hath an husband that believeth not, and if he be pleased to dwell with her, let her not leave him.

14. For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife, and the

unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband:

else were your children unclean; but now are they holy.

15. But if the unbelieving depart, let him depart. A brother or a sister is not under bondage in such

cases: but God hath called us to peace.

16. For what

knowest thou, O wife,

whether thou shalt save thy husband? or how knowest thou.

O man, whether thou shalt save thy wife?

17. But as God hath distributed to

every man.

as the Lord hath called every one, so let him walk. And so ordain I in all churches.

18. Is any man called being circumcised? let him not become uncircumcised. Is any called in

uncircumcision? let him not

be circumcised.

19. Circumcision is nothing. and uncircumcision is nothing, but the keeping of the commandments

of God.

20. Let every man abide in the same calling wherein he was called.

21. Art thou called being a servant? care not for it; but if thou mayest be made free, use it rather.

22 For he that is called in the Lord.

being a servant, is the Lord's freeman: likewise also

he that is called, being free, is Christ's servant.

23. Ye are bought with a price: be not ye the servants of men.

24. Brethren, let every man, wherein he is called, therein abide with God.

25. Now concerning virgins I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my

judgment, as one that hath obtained mercy of the Lord to be faithful.

26. I suppose therefore that this is good for the present distress. I sav.

that it is good for a man so to be

27. Art thou bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed. from a wife? seek not a wife.

28. But and if thou marry. thou hast not sinned; and if a virgin marry, she hath not sinned. Nevertheless such shall have trouble in the flesh: but I spare you.

29. **But** this I say.

■ | brethren, the time is short: it

remaineth, that both they that have wives be as though they had none;

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30. And they that weep, as though they wept not; and they that rejoice, as though they rejoiced not; and they that buy, as though they possessed not:

31. And they that use this world, as not abusing it for the fashion of this world passeth away.

32. But I would have you without carefulness.

He that is unmarried careth for the things that belong to the Lord.

how he may please the Lord:

33. But he that is married careth for the things that are of the world.

how he may please his wife.

34 There is difference also

between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried

woman careth for the

things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit:

but she that is married

careth for the things of the world.

> how she may please her husband. 35. And this I speak for your own profit; not that I may cast a snare upon you, but for that which is comely, and that ye may attend upon the Lord without distraction.

36. But if any man think that he

behaveth himself uncomely toward his

virgin, if she pass the flower of her age.

and need so require.

let him do what he will, he sinneth not: let them marry.

37. Nevertheless he that standeth stedfast in his heart, having no necessity, but hath power over his own will, and hath so decreed in his heart that he will keep his virgin, doeth well.

38. So then he that giveth her in marriage doeth well; but

he that giveth her not

in marriage

doeth better.

39. The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth; but

if her husband be dead, she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only

in the Lord.

40. But she is happier if

she so abide.

after my judgment: and I think also that I have the Spirit of God.

CHAPTER 8

 Now as touching things offered. unto idols, we know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffeth up, but charity edifieth.

2. And if any man think that he knoweth any thing, he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.

3. But if any man love God, the same is known of him.

4. **As concerning** therefore the

eating of those things that are

offered in sacrifice

unto idols, we know that

an idol is nothing in the world,

and that

there is none other God but one.

> 5. For though there be that are called gods, whether in heaven or in earth, (as there be gods many, and lords many.)

6. But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things. and we in him:

and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

7. Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge:

for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour

eat it as a thing offered unto an idol: and their

conscience being weak

is defiled.

8. But meat commendeth. us not to God:

for neither, if we eat, are we the better: neither, if we eat

- | not, are we the worse.
- 9. But take heed lest
 by any means
- this liberty of yours
- become a stumblingblock to them that are weak.
 - 10. For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple, shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols:
 - 11. And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish, for whom Christ died?
 - 12. But when ye sin so against the brethren, and wound their weak conscience, ye sin against Christ.
- 13. Wherefore, if meat make
 my brother to offend, I will
 eat no flesh

while the world standeth, lest I make my brother to offend.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. Am I not an apostle? am I not free? have I not seen
 - Jesus Christ our Lord? are not ye my work in the Lord? 2. If I be not an apostle unto others, yet doubtless I am to you: for the seal of mine apostleship are ye in the Lord.
- 3. Mine answer to them thatdo examine me is this,
- 4. Have we not power to eat and to drink?
- 5. Have we not power to
- lead about a sister.
- a wife, as well as otherapostles, and as the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas?
 - 6. Or I only and Barnabas,
- have not we power to forbear working?
 - 7. Who goeth a warfare any time at his own charges? who planteth a vineyard, and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or
- who feedeth a flock, and
 eateth not of the milk
 of the flock?
 - 8. Say I these things as a man? or

- saith not the law the same also?

 9. For it is written in the law of Moses,
 Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of
 the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth
 God take care for oxen?
- 10. Or saith he it altogether for our sakes?
- For our sakes, no doubt,
 this is written: that he that
 ploweth should plow in
 hope: and
- that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker
- should be partakerof his hope.
- 11. If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things?
 - 12. If others be partakers of this power over you, are not we rather?
- Nevertheless we have not used this power; but suffer
 all things, lest we should
 hinder the aospel of Christ.
- hinder the gospel of Christ.13. Do ye not know that they
- which minister about holy things live of the things of the
- temple? and they which wait at the altar are partakers with the altar?
- 14. Even so hath the Lord
 ordained that they which
 preach the gospel
- should live of the gospel.
- 15. But I have used none of these things:
- neither have I written these things, that it should be so done unto me:
- for it were better for me to
 die, than that any man should
 make my glorying void.
- 16. For though I preach the gospel,
- I have nothing to glory of:
 for necessity is laid upon me; yea,
- woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!
 - 17. For if I do this thing willingly, I have a reward: but if against my will, a dispensation of the gospel is committed unto me.
- 18. What is my reward then?

 Verily that, when I preach
 the gospel, I may make the gospel of

Christ without charge,

that I abuse not my powerin the gospel.

19. For though I be free from all men.

yet have I made myself servant unto all.

that I might gain the more.

20. And unto the Jews Ibecame as a Jew, that I

might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law:

21. To them that are without law,

(being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ,)

that I might gain them that are without law.

22. To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak:

I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some.

23. And this I do for the gospel's sake, that I might be partaker thereof with *you*.

24. Know ye not that they
 which run in a race run all,
 but one receiveth the prize?

So run, that ye may obtain.

25. And every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things. Now they *do it* to obtain a corruptible crown;

but we an incorruptible.

■ 26. I therefore so

run, not as uncertainly; so fight I, not as one that beateth the air:

■ 27. But I keep under my

body, and bring it into subjection: lest

that by any means,

when I have preached to others,

■ I myself should be a

■ | castaway.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Moreover, brethren, I
- would not that ye should
- be ignorant, how that all our

fathers were under the cloud, and all passed through the sea;

- And were all baptized unto Moses in the cloud and in the sea;
- And did all eat the same spiritual meat;
- And did all drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ.
- But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness.
- Now these things were our examples, to the intent

we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.

 Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.

 8. Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.

9. Neither let us tempt
 Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.

10. **Neither murmur ye,** as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.

11. Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon

whom the ends of the world are come.

12. Wherefore let him that
thinketh he standeth take
heed lest he fall.

13. There hath no temptation taken you but such as is common to man: but God is faithful, who will not suffer you to be tempted above that ye are able;

but will with the temptation also make a way to escape,

that ye may be able to bear it.

14. Wherefore, my dearly beloved,

■ flee from idolatry.

15. I speak as to wise men; judge ye what I say.

- 16. The cup of blessing
 which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of
 Christ? The bread
 which we break.
- is it not the communion of the body of Christ?
 - 17. For we being many are one bread, and
- one body: for we are all
 partakers of that
 one bread.
 - 18. Behold Israel after the flesh: are not they which eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar?
 - 19. What say I then? that the idol is any thing, or that which is offered in sacrifice to idols is any thing?
 20. But I say, that
- the things which the
 Gentiles sacrifice, they
 sacrifice to devils,
 and not to God:
- and I would not that ye should have fellowship with devils.
- 21. Ye cannot drink the cup
 of the Lord, and the cup
- of devils: ye cannot be partakers of the Lord's table, and of the table of devils.
 - 22. Do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? are we stronger than he?
 23. All things are lawful for
- 23. All things are lawful for me, but all things are not expedient: all things are lawful for me, but all things edify not.
- 24. Let no man seek his own,but every man
- another's wealth.
- 25. Whatsoever is sold in the shambles.
- that eat, asking no question for
- conscience sake:
- 26. For the earth is the Lord's, and the
- fulness thereof.
- 27. **If any** of them
- that believe not bid you to a feast,
 - and ye be disposed to go;
 - I whatsoever is set before

- you, eat, asking no
- question for conscience sake.28. But if any man say
 - unto you,
- This is offered in sacrifice unto idols, eat not for his
- sake that shewed it.
- and for conscience sake:

for the earth is the Lord's, and the fulness thereof:

- 29. Conscience, I say, not thine own, but of the other: for why is my liberty judged of another man's conscience?
- 30. For if I by grace be a partaker, why am I evil spoken of for that for which I give thanks?
- 31. Whether therefore ye eat,
 or drink, or whatsoever ye
- do, do all to the glory of God.
- 32. Give none offence, neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God:
- 33. Even as I please all men in all things,
- not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of
- many, that they
 - may be saved.

CHAPTER 11

- Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ.
- 2. Now I praise you, brethren, that ye remember me in all things, and keep the ordinances, as I delivered them to you.
- 3. But I would have you
- know, that the head of
- every man is Christ; and
- the head of the woman is
- the man; and the head of
- Christ is God.
 - 4 Every man

- praying or prophesying,
 having his head covered,
- dishonoureth his head.
- 5. But every woman that
- prayeth or prophesieth
- with *her* head uncovered
 - dishonoureth her head:

for that is even all one

as if she were shaven.

6 For if the woman be not covered, let her also be shorn: but if it be a shame for a

woman to be shorn or shaven, let her be covered.

7. For a man indeed ought not to cover his head, forasmuch

as he is the image and glory of God: but the woman is

the glory of the man. 8. For the

man is not of the woman: but the woman of the

man.

9. Neither was the man created for the woman: but the woman for the man. 10. For this cause ought the woman to

have power on her head because of the angels.

11. Nevertheless neither is the man without the woman, neither the woman without the man, in the Lord.

12. For as the woman is of ■ the man, even so is the man also by the

woman; but all things of God.

> 13. Judge in yourselves: is it comely that a woman pray unto God uncovered?

14. Doth not even nature itself

teach you, that, if a man have long hair, it is a shame unto him?

15. But if a woman have long hair, it is a glory to her: for

her hair is given her for a covering. 16. But if any man seem to be contentious, we have no such custom, neither the churches of God.

17. Now in this that I declare unto you

I praise you not, that ye come together not for the

better, but for the worse.

18. For first of all.

when ye come together in the church, I hear that ■ I there be divisions amona VOU: and I partly believe it.

19. For there must be also heresies among you. that they which are approved may be made manifest among you.

20. When ye come together therefore into one place.

this is not to eat the Lord's supper.

21. For in eating every one taketh before other his own supper:

and one is hungry, and another is drunken.

22. What? have ye not

houses to eat and to drink in? or despise ve the

church of God, and shame them that have not? What shall I say to you? shall I praise you in this? I praise you not.

23. For I have received of the Lord that which also

I delivered unto you. That the Lord Jesus the same night in which he was betraved

took bread:

24. And when he had given thanks, he brake it. and said, Take, eat: this is my body, which is

broken for you: this do in remembrance of me.

25. After the same manner

also he took the cup. when he had supped.

saying, This cup is the new testament in my blood: this do ye, as oft as ye drink it,

in remembrance of me.

26. For as often as

ye eat this bread, and drink this cup, ye do shew • the Lord's death

till he come.

27. Wherefore whosoever shall eat this bread, and drink this cup of the Lord, unworthily, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord.

28. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread, and drink of that cup.

29. For he that eateth and drinketh unworthily, eateth

- and drinketh damnation to himself, not discerning
 - the Lord's body.
- 30. For this cause many are weak and
- sickly among you.
- and many sleep.
 - 31. For if we would judge ourselves. we should not be judged.
 - 32. But when we are judged, we are chastened of the Lord, that we should not be condemned with the world.
- 33. Wherefore, my brethren.
- when ye come together to
- eat, tarry one for another. ■ 34. And if any man hunger,
- let him eat at home: that ye
- come not together
 - unto condemnation. And the rest will I set in order when I come.

CHAPTER 12

- 1 1. Now concerning spiritual aifts, brethren, I would not
 - have you ignorant.
 - 2. Ye know that ye were Gentiles, carried away unto these dumb idols, even as ve were led.
 - 3. Wherefore I give you to understand, that
- no man speaking by the Spirit of God calleth Jesus
- accursed: and that
- no man can say that
- Jesus is the Lord, but by the Holy Ghost.

which worketh all in all.

- 4. Now there are diversities of gifts, but the same Spirit.
 - 5. And there are differences of administrations, but the same Lord. 6. And there are diversities of operations, but it is the same God
 - 7. But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.
- 8. For to one is given by the
- Spirit the word of wisdom: ■ to another the word of
- knowledge by the same Spirit:
- 9. **To another faith**
 - by the same Spirit:
- to another the aifts of
 - healing by the same Spirit;

- 10. To another the working of
 - miracles: to another prophecy; to another
- discerning of spirits: to another divers kinds of
- tongues: to another the interpretation of tongues:
 - 11. But all these worketh that one and
- the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will.
 - 12. For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ.
- 13. For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body.

whether we be Jews or Gentiles. whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.

- 14. For the body is not one member, but many.
- 15. If the foot shall say.
- Because I am not the hand. I am not of the body; is it therefore not of the body?
 - And if the ear shall say. Because I. am not the eye, I am not of the body: is it therefore not of the body?
- 17. If the whole body were an eve, where were the
 - **hearing?** If the whole were hearing, where were the smelling?
 - 18. But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.
 - 19. And if they were all one member, where were the body?
- 20. But now are they many members, yet
 - but one body.
 - 21. And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.
 - 22. Nav. much more
- those members of the body,
- which seem to be
- more feeble.
- are necessary:
- 23. And those members of the body.
- which we think to be

■ | less honourable,

■ upon these we

■ bestow more abundant

honour; and our uncomely parts have more abundant comeliness.

24. For our comely parts have no need:

but God hath tempered thebody together, having

given more

abundant honour to that

■ part which lacked.

■ 25. That there should be no

schism in the body; but that the members should have the same care one for another.

26. And whether one

member suffer, all the members suffer with it; or one member be honoured, all the members rejoice with it.

■ 27. Now ye are the body of

Christ, and members in particular.

28. And God hath set some

■ in the church, first

apostles, secondarilyprophets, thirdly teachers,

| prophers, miraly reachers, | after that miracles, then

■ gifts of healings,

helps, governments,diversities of tonque

diversifies of tongues.

29. Are all apostles? are all

■ prophets? are all teachers? are all workers of miracles?

30. Have all the gifts of healing? do all speak with tongues? do all interpret?

■ 31. **But covet** earnestly

■ the best

■ gifts: and yet shew I unto you

■ a more excellent way.

CHAPTER 13

1. Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, and have not charity, I am become as sounding prass, or

a tinkling cymbal.

2. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and

■ understand all mysteries,

and all knowledge; and

though I

have all faith, so that I could remove

mountains, and have not charity, I am nothing.

3. And though I bestow all my goods to

feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, and have not charity, it

profiteth me nothing.
 4 Charity suffereth lor

4. Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself,

is not puffed up,

5. Doth not behave itself
unseemly, seeketh not her
own, is not easily

provoked, thinketh no evil;

Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth;

7. Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.

8. Charity never faileth: but whether there be

prophecies, they shall fail; whether the

shall fail; whether there be

tongues, they shall cease:

shall cease; whether there be

■ knowledge, it■ shall vanish away.

9. For we know in part,

and we prophesy in part.

■ 10. But when that which is perfect is come, then

that which is in part sha

in part shall be done away.

■ 11. When I was a child, I spake as a child,

■ I understood as a child,

I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put

away childish things.

12. For now we see through
a glass, darkly; but then

face to face: now I know in part; but then shall I know even as also

■ Lam known.

13. And now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three;

I ■ I but the areatest of ■ these is charity.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. Follow after charity. and desire spiritual aifts, but rather that ye may prophesy.
- 2. For he that speaketh in
- an *unknown* tonaue
- speaketh not unto men, but
- unto God: for no man understandeth him:
- howbeit in the spirit
- he speaketh mysteries.
- 3. But he that prophesieth
- speaketh unto men to edification.
 - and exhortation, and comfort.
- 4. He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth
- himself: but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.
- 5. I would that ve all spake with tongues but rather that
 - ve prophesied: for greater is he that prophesieth than he that speaketh with tongues, except he interpret, that the church may receive edityina.
- 6. Now, brethren, if I come unto vou
- speaking with tongues, what shall I profit you,
- except I shall
- speak to you either
- by revelation, or by know-ledge, or by prophesying,
 - or by doctrine?
 - 7. And even things without life giving sound, whether pipe or harp, except they give a distinction in the sounds, how shall it be known what is piped or harped?
 - 8. For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?
 - 9. So likewise ye,
- except ye utter by the ■ I tongue words easy to be ■ understood, how shall it be known what is spoken?
 - for ve shall speak into the air.
 - 10. There are, it may be, so many

- kinds of voices in the world, and none of them is without signification.
- 11. Therefore if I know not the meaning of the voice. I shall be unto him that speaketh a barbarian, and he that speaketh shall be a barbarian unto me
- 12. Even so ve.
- forasmuch as ve are zealous of spiritual aifts.
- seek that ye may excel to the editying of the church.
- 13. Wherefore let him that speaketh in an *unknown*
- tongue pray that he may interpret.
- 14. For if I pray in an
- unknown tonque, my spirit prayeth, but my
- understanding is unfruitful.
 - 15. What is it then?
- I will pray with the spirit.
 - and I will pray
- with the understanding also: I will sing with the spirit, and I will sing with the understanding also.
 - 16. Else when thou shalt bless with the spirit, how shall he that occupieth the room of the unlearned say Amen at thy giving of thanks, seeing he understandeth not what thou savest?
 - 17. For thou verily givest thanks well, but the other is not edified.
- 18. I thank my God, I speak with tongues more than
- ve all:

- 19. Yet in the church I had rather speak five words
- with my
- understanding, that
 - by my voice
- I might teach others also,
- than ten thousand words in an unknown tonaue.
- 20. Brethren, be not children in understanding: howbeit in malice be ve children.
- **but** in understanding
- be men.
 - In the law it is written, With men of other tongues and other lips will I speak unto this people; and yet

for all that will they not hear me, saith the LORD.

22. Wherefore tongues are for a sian.

not to them that believe, but

to them that believe not: but

prophesying serveth not for them that believe not, but for them which believe.

23. If therefore the whole

church be come together into one place.

and all speak with

tongues, and there come in those that are unlearned. or unbelievers, will they not

SQV that

ye are mad?

24. But if all prophesy, and there come in one that

believeth not, or one unlearned. he is convinced of all, he is

iudged of all:

25. And thus are the secrets of his heart made manifest: and so falling down on his face

he will worship God, and report that God is in you of a truth.

26. How is if then, brethren?

when ye come together, every one of you hath a

b psalm, hath

a doctrine, hath

a tongue, hath

a revelation, hath

an interpretation. Let all things be done unto edifying.

27. **If any man speak in an** unknown tongue,

let it be by two, or at the most by three, and that by course; and let one interpret.

28. But if there be no

interpreter, let him keep silence in the church; and let him

speak to himself, and to God. 29. Let the prophets speak

two or three.

■ and let the other judge.

■ 30 If any thing be revealed to another that sitteth by.

let the first hold his peace.

31. For ye may all prophesy one by

one, that all may learn, and all may be comforted.

32. And the spirits of the prophets are subject to the prophets.

33. For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace. as in all churches of the saints.

34. Let vour women keep silence in the churches: for it is not permitted unto them to speak: but they are commanded to be under obedience as also saith the law.

35. And if they will learn any thing, let them ask their husbands at home:

> for it is a shame for women. to speak in the church.

36. What? came the word of God out from you? or came it unto you only?

37. If any man think himself to be a prophet, or spiritual, let him acknowledge

that the things that I wrife unto vou

are the commandments of the Lord.

> 38. But if any man be ignorant, let him be ignorant.

39. Wherefore, brethren,

covet to prophesy, and forbid not to speak

with tongues.

40. Let all things be done decently and

in order.

CHAPTER 15

1. Moreover, brethren,

I declare unto you

the gospel which I preached unto vou, which also ve have received, and wherein ye stand;

2. By which also ye are

saved, if ye keep in memory what I preached unto you.

unless ye have

believed in vain. 3. For I delivered unto you

first of all that which I also received, how

that Christ died for

our sins according to the scriptures:

- 4. And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures: 5. And that he was seen of
- Cephas, then of the twelve: 6. After that, he was seen of above five hundred

brethren at once: of whom the greater part remain unto this present, but some are fallen asleep.

- 7 After that, he was seen of James: then of all the apostles.
- 8. And last of all
- he was seen of me also, as of one born out of due time.
- 9. For I am the least of the apostles, that am not meet to be called an apostle.
- because I persecuted the church of God.
- 10. But by the grace of God I am what I am: and his
- grace which was bestowed upon me was not in vain: but I
- laboured more abundantly than they all: yet not I, but the grace of God which was
- with me. 11. Therefore whether it were I or they. so we preach, and so ye believed.
- 12 Now if Christ be preached that he
- rose from the dead, how say some among you that
- there is no resurrection of the dead?

- 13. But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen:
- 14. And if Christ be not risen, then is our preaching Vain, and your faith is also vain.
 - 15. **Yea, and we are** found
- false witnesses of God:
- because we have
- testified of God that he
- raised up
 - **Christ:** whom he raised not up, if so be that the dead rise not.
 - 16. For if the dead rise not, then is not Christ raised
- 17. And if Christ be not ■ | raised, your faith *is* vain;

ve are vet in your sins.

18. Then they also which are fallen asleep in Christ are perished.

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- 19. If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men most miserable.
 - 20. But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept.
- 21. For since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead
- 22. For as in Adam all die.
- even so in Christ shall all be made alive. 23. But every man in his own order:

Christ the firstfruits: afterward they that are Christ's at his coming.

- 24. Then cometh the end. when he shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father;
- when he shall have put down all rule and all
- authority and power.
- For he must reian. till he hath put all enemies
- under his feet.
- 26. The last enemy that shall be destroyed *is* death.
 - 27. For he hath put all things under his feet. But when he saith all things are put under him, it is manifest that he is excepted, which did put all things under him.
- 28. And when all things shall be subdued unto him, then
- shall the Son also himself
- be subject unto him
- that put all things under him. that God may be all in all.
- 29. Else what shall they do which are baptized for the dead, if the dead rise not
 - at all? why are they then baptized for the dead?
- 30. And why stand we in jeopardy every hour?
 - 31. I protest by your rejoicing which I have in Christ Jesus our LORD, I die daily.
- 32. If after the manner of men I have fought with beasts at Ephesus,

what advantageth it me, if the dead rise not? let us eat and drink: for to-morrow we die.

33. Be not deceived: evil communications corrupt good manners.

34. Awake to righteousness, and sin not: for some have not the knowledge of God: I speak this to

vour shame.

35. But some man will say, How are the dead raised

up? and with what body do they come?

36. Thou fool, that which thou sowest is not quickened, except it die:

> 37. And that which thou sowest, thou sowest not that body that shall be. but bare grain, it may chance of wheat, or of some other grain:

38. But God giveth it a body as it hath pleased him, and to every seed his own body.

39. All flesh is not the same flesh; but there is one kind of flesh of men. another flesh of beasts, another of fishes, and another of birds.

40. There are also celestial bodies. and bodies terrestrial: but the glory of the celestial is one, and the glory of the terrestrial is another.

41. There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for one star differeth from another star in glory.

42. So also is the

resurrection of the dead. It is sown in corruption;

it is raised in incorruption:

43. It is sown in dishonour; it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness; it is raised in power:

44. It is sown a natural body; it is raised a spiritual body.

> There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body. 45. And so it is written.

The first man Adam was

■ made a living soul; the ■ last Adam *was made* a quickening spirit.

46. Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.

47. The first man is of the earth, earthy:

the second man is the Lord from heaven.

48. As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy; and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.

49. And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.

50. Now this I say, brethren, that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kinadom of God: neither doth corruption inherit incorruption.

51. Behold, I shew you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed,

52. In a moment. in the twinkling of an eye,

at the last trump:

for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.

53. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and

this mortal must put on immortality.

54. So when this corruptible shall have put on

incorruption, and this mortal shall have put on

immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying

Death is swallowed up in victory.

55. O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is

thy victory?

that is written.

56. The sting of death is sin; and the strength of sin is

the law.

57. But thanks be to God, which giveth us the

victory through our Lord Jesus

- Christ.
- 58. Therefore. my beloved brethren.

be ve stedfast, unmoveable. always abounding in the work of

the Lord.

forasmuch as ve know that vour labour is not in vain in

the Lord.

CHAPTER 16

1. Now concerning the collection for the saints.

> as I have given order to the churches of Galatia, even so do ve.

- 2. Upon the first day of the week let every one of you
- lay by him in store, as God
- hath prospered him, that there be no gatherings when I come. And when I come.
- whomsoever ve shall
- approve by your letters.
- them will I send to bring
- vour liberality
- unto Jerusalem. 4. And if it be meet that I go also, they
- shall go with me. 5. Now I will come unto you. when I shall pass through Macedonia:
- for I do pass through Macedonia. 6. And it may be that I will
- abide, yea,
- and winter with you.

that ve may bring me on my journey whithersoever I go.

7. For I will not see you now

by the way; but I trust to tarry a while with **YOU**, if the Lord permit.

8. But I will tarry at Ephesus until Pentecost.

9. For a great door and effectual

is opened unto me, and there are

many adversaries.

10. Now if Timotheus come,

see that he may be with you

without fear: for he worketh the work of the Lord, as I also do.

- 11. Let no man therefore despise him: but conduct him forth in peace, that he may come unto me; for I look for him with the brethren
- 12. As touching our brother

Apollos, I greatly

desired him to come unto

YOU with the brethren:

but his will was not at all

to come at this time:

but he will come when he shall have. convenient time.

13. Watch ve. stand fast in the faith.

> quit you like men, be strona.

- 14. Let all your things be done with charity.
 - 15. I beseech you, brethren, (ye know the house of Stephanas, that it is the firstfruits of Achaia, and that they have addicted themselves to the ministry of the saints,)
 - 16. That ve submit vourselves unto such, and to every one that helpeth with us, and laboureth.
 - 17. I am glad of the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus: for that which was lacking on your part they have supplied.
 - 18. For they have refreshed my spirit and yours: therefore acknowledge ve them that are such.
 - 19. The churches of Asia salute you. Aguila and Priscilla salute you much in the Lord, with the church that is in their house.
- 20. All the brethren greet
- **you.** Greet ye one another with an holy kiss.
 - The salutation of me Paul with mine own hand.
- 22. If any man love not the
- Lord Jesus Christ.
- let him be Anathema
- Maranatha.
 - 23. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.
 - 24. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus.
- Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS

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OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- I. Paul's Personal Testimony. Chapters 1:1—2:13
- II. Paul's Account of his Ministry. Chapters 2:14—6:10
- III. Paul's Plea for Reconciliation. Chapters 6:11—7:16
- IV. Paul's Appeal for an Offering for the Poor.Chapters 8—9
- V. Paul's Defense of his Apostleship.
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- VI. **Paul's Closing Words** to the Corinthian Church. Chapters 13:11—14

CHAPTER 1

- I 1. Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God,
- and Timothy our brother.
- unto the church of God which is at Corinth, with all the saints
- which are in all Achaia: 2. Grace be to you and
- peace from God our Father.
 - and from the Lord Jesus Christ
- 3. Blessed be God. even
- the Father of our Lord
- Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort;
- 4 Who comforteth us in all our tribulation
- that we may be able to comfort them which are
- in any
- - trouble, by the comfort wherewith we ourselves are comforted of God. 5. For as the sufferings of Christ abound in us, so our consolation also aboundeth by Christ.
- 6. And whether we be afflicted. it is for your consolation and
 - salvation, which is effectual in the enduring of the same sufferings which we also suffer: or whether we be comforted, it is for your consolation and salvation.
 - 7. And our hope of you is stedfast,
- knowing, that as ye are partakers of the sufferings, so shall ve be also
- of the consolation.
- 8. For we would not, brethren, have you ignorant of our trouble which came to us in Asia, that
- we were pressed out of **measure**, above strength.
- l insomuch that we
- **despaired** even of life:
- 9 But we had the sentence
- of death in ourselves.
- I that we should not trust in ourselves, but in God
- which raiseth the dead: 10. Who delivered us
 - from so great a death.
- and doth deliver:

in whom we trust

that he will yet deliver us:

- 11. Ye also helping together by prayer for us, that for the gift bestowed upon us by the means of many persons thanks may be given by many on our behalf.
- 12. For our rejoicing is this, the testimony of our conscience, that
- in simplicity and
- godly sincerity, not with fleshly wisdom, but by the grace of God, we have had our conversation in the world, and more abundantly to vou-ward.
 - 13. For we write none other things unto you, than what ye read or acknowledge; and I trust ve shall acknowledge even to the end:
- 14. **As** also
- ye have acknowledged **=** 1 us in part.
- that we are your rejoicing, even as ye also
- are our's in the day of the
- Lord Jesus.
 - 15. And in this confidence
 - I was minded to come unto
 - **YOU** before, that ye might have a second benefit:
- 16. And to pass by you into Macedonia, and to come again 8 out of Macedonia unto you, and of you to be brought on my way toward Judaea.
 - 17. When I therefore was thus minded, did I use lightness? or the things that I purpose, do I purpose according to the flesh, that with me there should be yea yea, and nay nay?
 - 18. But as God is true.
- our word toward you was
- not vea and nav.
- 19. For the Son of God. Jesus Christ.
- who was preached among
- **you** by us, even by me and Silvanus and Timotheus,
- was not yea and nay, but in him was
 - yea.
- 20. For all the promises

of God

in him are veg. and in him Amen. unto the glory of God by us.

21. Now he which

stablisheth us with you in

Christ, and hath anointed us. is God:

> 22. Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our bearts

23 Moreover I call God for a record upon my soul, that to spare you I came not as vet unto Corinth.

24. Not for

■ I that we have dominion

over your faith.

but are helpers of your joy:

for by faith ye stand.

CHAPTER 2

- 1 But I determined this with myself, that
- I would not come again to vou in heaviness.
 - 2. For if I make you sorry, who is he then that maketh me glad, but the same which is made sorry by me?
 - And I wrote this same unto you. lest, when I came, I should have sorrow from them of whom I ought to rejoice; having confidence in you all, that my joy is the joy of you all.
 - 4. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote unto you with many tears; not that ye should be grieved, but that ye might know the love which I have more abundantly unto vou.
- 5. But if any have caused grief, he hath not grieved

me, but in part: that I may not overcharge you all.

6 Sufficient to such a man is this punishment, which was inflicted of many.

7. So that contrariwise

ve ought rather

to forgive him, and comfort him,

lest perhaps

such a one should

be swallowed up

with overmuch

■ sorrow

8. Wherefore I beseech you that ve would

confirm your love toward him

> might know the proof of you. whether ye be obedient in all things.

For to this end also did I write, that I.

10. To whom ye forgive any thing.

I forgive also: for if I forgave any thing, to whom I forgave it, for your sakes forgave I it in the person of Christ:

11. Lest Satan should aet an

advantage of us:

for we are not ignorant of

his devices.

Furthermore, when I

came to Troas

to preach Christ's gospel, and

a door was opened unto me of the Lord.

I had no rest in my spirit.

because I found not Titus my brother; but taking my leave of them. I went from thence

into Macedonia. 14 Now thanks be unto

God. which always

causeth us to triumph in

Christ, and maketh manifest the savour of his knowledge by us in every place.

15. For we are unto God a sweet savour of Christ. in them that are saved, and in

them that perish: 16. To the one we are the savour of death unto death:

and to the other the savour of life unto life. And who is sufficient

for these things? 17. For we are not as many. which corrupt the word

> of God: but as of sincerity, but as of God, in the sight of God speak we in Christ

CHAPTER 3

 Do we begin again to commend ourselves? or need we, as some others, epistles of commendation to you, or letters of commendation

from you?

2. Ye are our epistle written in our hearts.

known and read of all men:

3. Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be the epistle of Christ ministered by us,

written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God; not in

tables of stone, but in fleshy tables of the heart.

4. And such trust have we through Christ to God-ward:

5. Not that we are sufficient of ourselves to think any thing as of ourselves:

but our sufficiency is of God;

6. Who also hath made us
 able ministers of the new testament; not of the letter, but

of the spirit: for the letter killeth, but the spirit

giveth life.

7. But if the ministration of death,

■ written and engraven

in stones, was glorious,

so that the children of Israel could not stedfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away:

8. How shall not the ministration of the spirit be rather glorious?

9. For if the ministration of condemnation *be* glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory.

10. For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth.

11. For if that which is done
away was glorious, much
more that which remaineth
is glorious.

12. Seeing then that we have
 such hope, we use great
 plainness of speech:

■ 13. And not as Moses, which put a vail over his

face, that the children of Israel could not stedfastly look to the end of

that which is abolished:

14. But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth

the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament;
which vail is done

away in Christ.

15. But even unto this day,
 when Moses is read, the
 vail is upon their heart.

16. Nevertheless when it shall turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away.

17. Now the Lord is thatSpirit: and where the Spirit of the Lord

is, there is liberty.

18. But we all, with open

face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are

changed into the same

image from glory to glory, even as by the Spirit of the LORD.

CHAPTER 4

1. **Therefore** seeing we have this ministry, as we have received mercy, we faint not:

■ 2. But have renounced the

hidden things of

dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the

■ word of God

deceitfully; but by manifestation of the truth

commending ourselves to every man's conscience

■ in the sight of God.

■ 3. But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost:

is hid to them that are los
4. In whom the god of this

world hath blinded the minds of them which

believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

5. For we preach not ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord; and ourselves your servants for Jesus' sake.

■ 6. For God, who commanded the light to shine out of darkness,

hath shined in our hearts, to give the light

of the knowledge

of the glory of God in the

face of Jesus Christ.

7 But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that

the excellency of the power may

be of God, and not of us.

8. We are troubled on every side.

yet not distressed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; 9. Persecuted, but not forsaken:

cast down.

■ but not destroyed:

10. Always bearing about in the body the dying of the Lord

Jesus, that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our body.

11. For we which live are alway delivered unto death for Jesus' sake. that the life also of Jesus might be made manifest in our mortal flesh. 12. So then death worketh in us. but life in you.

13. We having the same spirit of faith, according as it is written, I believed, and

therefore have I spoken;

We also

> believe, and therefore speak:

14. Knowing that he which

raised up the Lord

Jesus shall raise up

US also

by Jesus.

and shall present us with you. 15. For all things are for your sakes, that the abundant grace might through the thanksgiving of many redound to the glory of God.

16. For which cause

we faint not; but though our outward man perish, yet the inward man

is renewed day by day.

17. For our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of alory:

18. While we look not at the

things which are seen, but at the

things which are

not seen: for the things which are

seen are temporal; but the

things which are

not seen *are* eternal.

CHAPTER 5

1 For we know that if our

earthly house of this tabernacie were

dissolved, we have a

building of God, an house not made with hands, eternal

in the heavens.

2. For in this

we groan, earnestly

desiring to be clothed upon with

our house which is from heaven:

3. If so be that being clothed we shall not be found naked.

4. For we that are in this tabernacle do groan, being burdened; not for that we would be unclothed, but clothed upon, that mortality might be swallowed up of life.

Now he that hath wrought

us for the selfsame thing is God, who also

hath given unto us

the earnest of

the Spirit. 6 Therefore

we are always confident.

knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are

absent from the Lord:

7. (For we walk by faith, not by sight:)

8. We are confident, I sav. and

willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.

Wherefore we labour.

that, whether present or absent,

we may be accepted of him. 10. For we must all appear

before the judgment seat of

Christ: that every one may receive the things done in his body, according to that he hath done, whether it be

good or bad.

- In Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we
- persuade men; but we are made manifest unto God; and I trust also are made manifest in your consciences.
 - 12. For we commend not ourselves again unto you, but give you occasion to glory on our behalf, that ye may have somewhat to *answer* them which glory in appearance, and not in heart.

 13. For whether we be beside ourselves. *it is* to God: or whether we
- be sober, it is for your cause.
 14. For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:
- 15. And that he died for all, that they which live should not henceforth
- live unto themselves, but
 unto him which died for them,
 and rose again.
 - 16. Wherefore henceforth know we no man after the flesh: yea, though we have known Christ after the flesh, yet now henceforth know we *him* no more.
- 17. Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a new
 creature: old things are passed away; behold, all
- things are become new.

 18. And all things are of

■ God, who

- hath reconciled us to himself
- by Jesus Christ,
 - and hath
- given to
- us the ministry of
- reconciliation;
- 19. To wit, that God was in
 Christ, reconciling the
 world unto himself, not imputing
- their trespasses unto them;
- and hath committed unto
- us the word of reconciliation.
- 20. Now then we are
 - ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us:

we pray you

in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God.

- 21. For he hath made him to be
- sin for us,
- who knew no sin; that we
- might be made the
- righteousness of
- God in him.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. **We** then, *as* workers together *with him*,
- beseech you also
- that ye receive not the grace of God in vain.
- 2. (For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee:
- behold, now is the
- accepted time; behold,
- now is the day
 of salvation.)
- 3. Giving no offence in any thing.
- that the ministry be
- not blamed:
- 4. **But** in all things
- **approving ourselves as** the
- ministers of God,
- in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses,
- 5. In stripes, in
- imprisonments, in tumults, in labours, in watchings,
- in fastings:
- **■** 6. By pureness, by
- **knowledge,** by longsuffering, by kindness.
- by the Holy Ghost,

by love unfeigned,

- 7. By the word of truth,
- by the power of God,
 - by the armour of righteousness on the right hand and on the left,
 - 8. By honour and dishonour, by evil report and good report: as deceivers, and *yet* true:
 - 9. As unknown, and yet well known;
- as dying, and, behold, we
- live; as chastened, and not killed;
 - 10. As sorrowful, yet alway

- rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as
- having nothing, and yet
- possessing all things.
 - 11. O ye Corinthians, our mouth is open unto you. our heart is enlarged.
 - 12. Ye are not straitened in us, but ve are straitened in your own, bowels.
 - 13. Now for a recompence in the same, (I speak as unto my children,) be ve also enlarged.
- 14. Be ye not unequally
- voked together
- with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and
- what communion hath light with darkness?
 - 15. And what concord hath Christ with Belial?
- or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?
- 16. And what agreement hath the temple of God with
- idols? for ye are the temple
- of the living
- God: as God hath said. I will dwell in them.
 - and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.
- 17. Wherefore come out from among them,
- and be ye
- separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing:
- and I will receive you.
- 18. And will be a Father unto
- you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

CHAPTER 7

- 1. Having therefore these
- promises, dearly beloved.
- let us cleanse ourselves
 - from all
- filthiness of the flesh and spirit,
- perfecting holiness in the fear of God.
- 2. Receive us: we have wronged no man,
 - we have corrupted no man, we have defrauded no man.

- 3. I speak not this to condemn vou: for I have said before, that ve are in our hearts to die and live with you.
- 4. Great is my boldness of speech toward you,
 - great is my glorying of you: I am filled with comfort, I am exceeding joyful in all our tribulation.
- For, when we were come into Macedonia, our flesh had no rest, but
- we were troubled on every side: without were fightings. within were fears.
- Nevertheless God, that comforteth those that are cast down.
- comforted us by the coming of Titus;
- 7. And not by his coming only, but by the consolation wherewith he was comforted in you.
 - when he told us
- your earnest desire, your mourning, vour fervent mind toward
- me; so that I rejoiced the more. 8. For though I made you
 - sorry with a letter, I do not repent, though I did repent: for I perceive that the same epistle hath made you sorry, though it were but for a season.
- Now I rejoice.

not that ve were made sorry, but

- that ve sorrowed to repentance: for ye were made sorry after a godly manner, that ye might receive damage
 - by us in nothing.
- 10. For godly sorrow worketh repentance to salvation not to be repented of:
- but the sorrow of the world worketh death.
- 6 11. FOI behold this self same thing, that
- ve sorrowed after a godly sort, what carefulness it wrought in you, yea, what clearing of yourselves, yea, what indignation, yea, what fear, yea, what vehement desire, yea, what zeal, yea, what revenge!
 - In all *things* ye have

- approved yourselves to be clear in this matter.
 - 12. Wherefore, though
- I wrote unto you,
 - I did it not for his cause that had done the wrong, nor for his cause that suffered wrong, but
- that our care for you in the sight of God
- might appear unto you.
- 13. Therefore we were
 - comforted in your comfort: yea, and exceedingly the more joyed we for the joy of Titus, because his spirit was refreshed by you all.
- 14. For if I have boasted any thing to him of you, I am not ashamed; but as
- we spake all things to you
- in truth, even so our boasting, which I made
- before Titus, is found a truth.
- 15. And his inward affection is more abundant toward
- you, whilst he remembereth the obedience of you all,
- how with fear and trembling ve received him.
 - 16. I rejoice therefore that I have confidence in you in all *things*.

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Moreover, brethren, we do you to wit of the grace of God bestowed on
- the churches
- of Macedonia;
 - 2. How that
- In a great trial of affliction
- the abundance of their joy and their deep
- poverty abounded unto the riches of their
- liberality.
- 3. For to their power, I bear record, yea, and beyond their power
- *they were* willing
- of themselves;
- 4. Praying us with much entreatythat we would receive the
- **giff**, and *take upon us* the fellowship of the ministering to the saints.
 - 5. And this they did, not as we hoped,

- but first gave their own selves to the Lord,
- and unto us by the will of God.

 6. **Insomuch that we desired**
- Titus, that as he had begun, so
- he would also finish in you the same grace also.
- 7. Therefore, as ye abound in every thing, in faith, and utterance, and knowledge, and in all diligence, and in your love to us,
- see that ye abound in this grace also.
 - 8. I speak not by commandment, but by occasion of the forwardness of others, and to prove the sincerity of your love.
- 9. For ye know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 that, though he was rich,
- yet for your sakes he became poor, that ye through his poverty
- might be rich.
 - 10. And herein I give *my* advice: for this is expedient for you, who have begun before, not only to do, but also to be forward a year ago.
 - 11. Now therefore perform the doing of it; that as there was a readiness to will, so there may be a performance also out of that which ye have.
- 12. For if there be first a willing mind, if is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that
- he hath not.
- 13. For *I mean* not that other men be eased,
- and ye burdened:
- 14. But by an equality, that now at this time
- your abundance may be a supply for their want, that
- their abundance also
- may be a supply for your want: that there may be equality:
- 15. As it is written, He that had
- gathered much had nothing over; and he
- that had
 - gathered little had no lack.

16 But thanks be to God. which put the same earnest care into the heart of Titus

for you.

17. For indeed he accepted the exhortation: but being more forward. of his own accord he went unto you.

18 And we have sent with him the brother, whose praise is in the aospel throughout all the churches;

19. And not that only, but who was also

chosen of the churches to travel with us with this grace.

which is administered by us to the glory of the same Lord, and declaration of your ready mind:

20. Avoiding this, that no man should blame us in this abundance which is administered by us:

21. Providing for honest things, not only in the sight of the Lord, but also in the sight of men.

22. And we have sent with them

our brother, whom we have oftentimes proved diligent in many things, but now much more diligent, upon the great confidence which I have in you.

23. Whether any do inquire of Titus, he is my partner

and fellow-helper

concerning you: or our

brethren be inquired of.

they are the messengers of the churches.

and the glory of Christ.

24. Wherefore shew ye to

them and before the churches.

the proof of your love, and of our boasting on your behalf.

CHAPTER 9

1. For as touching the ministering to the saints, it is superfluous for me

■ | to write to you:

2. For I know the

forwardness of your mind,

for which I boast of you to them of Macedonia, that Achaia was ready

a vear ago:

and your zeal hath provoked very many.

Yet have I sent the brethren, lest our boastina of you should

be in vain in this behalf; that, as I said, ve may be ready:

> 4. Lest haply if they of Macedonia come with me, and find you unprepared, we (that we say not, ye) should be ashamed in this same confident boasting.

5. Therefore I thought it necessary to exhort the brethren, that they would QO before unto you.

and make up beforehand your bounty, whereof ye had notice before, that the same might be ready, as a matter of bounty, and not as of covetousness

6. But this I say. He which soweth sparingly shall reap also

sparinaly: and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also

bountifully.

7. Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, so let him give: not grudgingly, or of necessity:

for God loveth a cheerful giver.

8. And God is able to make all grace abound toward YOU; that ye, always having all

sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work:

9.**(As it is written,**

He hath dispersed abroad:

he hath given to the poor: his righteousness

remaineth for ever.

10 Now he that ministereth seed to the sower both minister bread for your food, and multiply your seed sown, and increase the

fruits of your righteousness;)

11. Being enriched in every thing to all

- bountifulness, which causeth through us thanksgiving to God.
- 12. For the administration of
- this service not only
- supplieth the want of
- the saints, but is abundant also by many
- thanksaivings unto God;
- 13. Whiles by the experiment of this ministration
- they glorify God for your professed
- subjection unto the gospel of Christ.
- and for *your* liberal
- distribution unto them, and unto all *men*:
- 14. And by their prayer for you, which long after you
- for the exceeding
- grace of God in you.
- 15. Thanks be unto God for ■ his unspeakable aift.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. Now I Paul myself beseech you by the meekness and gentleness of Christ, who in presence am base among you, but being absent am bold toward you:
- 2. But I beseech you, that I may not be bold when I am
- present with that confidence.
- wherewith I think to be bold against some, which think
- of us as if we walked according to the flesh.
- 3. For though we walk in the flesh,
- we do not war after the flesh:
- 4. (For the weapons of our
- warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the
- pulling down of
- strong holds;)
- 5. Casting down
- imaginations, and every
- high thing that exalteth itself against the knowledge of
- God, and bringing into
- captivity every thought to the obedience of Christ:
- 6. And having in a

- readiness to revenue all disobedience.
 - when your obedience is fulfilled.
 - 7. Do ye look on things after the outward appearance?
- If any man trust
 - to himself
- that he is Christ's.

let him of himself think this again. that, as he is Christ's.

- even so are we Christ's.
 - For though I should boast somewhat more
- of our
- authority, which the Lord
 - hath given us
- for edification, and not for your
- destruction.
 - I should not be ashamed:
- That I may not seem as if I would
- terrify you by letters.
- 10. For his letters, say they,
 - are weighty and powerful;
- but his bodily
- presence is weak, and his speech contemptible.
 - 11. Let such an one think this, that, such
- as we are in word
- by letters when we are
- absent, such will we be also
- in deed when we are
- present.

12. For we dare not

make ourselves of the number, or

- compare ourselves
- with some that commend
- **themselves:** but they measuring themselves by themselves, and
- comparing themselves
- amona themselves,
 - are not wise.
- 13. But we will not boast of things without
- our measure, but
- according to the measure
- Of the rule which
- God hath distributed to us.
- a measure to reach even unto
 - you.
 - For we stretch not ourselves

beyond our measure, as though we reached not unto you: for we are come as far as to you also in preaching the gospel of Christ:

- 15. Not boasting of things without our measure, that is, of
- other men's labours; but having hope,

when your faith is increased,

that we shall be enlarged by you

according to our rule abundantly, 16. To preach the gospel in the regions beyond you,

- and not to boast in
- another man's line of things made ready to our hand.
 - 17. But he that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.
- 18. For not he that
- commendeth himself is
- approved, but whom the
- Lord commendeth.

CHAPTER 11

- 1. Would to God ye could bear with me a little in *my* folly: and indeed bear with me.
- 2. For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one

husband, that I may present you

- as a chaste
- virgin to Christ.
- 3. **But I fear,** lest by any means,
- as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtility.
- so your minds should be
- corrupted from the
- simplicity that is
 - in Christ.
- 4. For if he that cometh
 preacheth another Jesus.
 - whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received.
- or another gospel, which ye have not accepted,
- ye might well
 - bear with *him*.
 - 5. For I suppose
- I was not a whit
- | behind the very

chiefest apostles.

- 6. But though / be rude in speech, yet not in knowledge; but we have been throughly made manifest among you in all things.
 7. Have I committed an offence in abasing myself that ye might be exalted. because
- I have preached to you
 the gospel of God
- freely?
 - 8. I robbed other churches, taking wages of them.
- to do you service.
- 9. And when I was present with you, and wanted, I was chargeable to no man: for that which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied: and in all things
- I have
 kept myself from being
 burdensome unto you, and so
 will I keep myself.
- 10. As the truth of Christ is in me, no man shall stop me of this boasting

in the regions of Achaia.

- 11. Wherefore? because I love you not? God knoweth.
- 12. But what I do, that I will do,
- that I may cut off occasion from them which desire
- OCCUSION; that wherein they glory, they may be found even as we.
- 13. For such are false apostles, deceitful workers.
- transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ.
- 14. And no marvel; for Satan himself
- is transformed into anangel of light.
- 15. Therefore it is no great
 thing if his ministers also
 be transformed as the ministers
 - of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.
- 16. I say again, Let no man
 think me a fool; if otherwise, yet as a fool receive me, that I may boast myself a little.
 - 17. That which I speak, I speak it not

- after the Lord, but as it were foolishly, in this confidence of boasting.
- 18. Seeing that many glory after the flesh, I will glory also.
- 19. For ye suffer fools gladly, seeing ye *yourselves* are wise.
- 20. For ye suffer, if a man bring you into bondage, if a man devour you, if a man take of you, if a man exalt himself, if a man smite you on the face.

 21. I speak as concerning reproach,
- as though we had been weak.

 Howbeit whereinsoever
 any is bold, (I speak
- foolishly,) I am bold also.
 22. Are they Hebrews? so
- am I. Are they Israelites? so am I.
- Are they the seed of Abraham? so am I.
- 23. Are they ministers of
- Christ? (I speak as a fool)
- I am more; in labours more abundant, in stripes above measure,
- in prisons more frequent, in deaths oft.
- 24. Of the Jews five times received I forty *stripes* save one.
- 25. Thrice was I beaten with rods, once was I stoned,
- thrice I suffered shipwreck, a night and a day
- I have been in the deep;
 26. In journeyings often,
 in perils of waters,
- in perils of robbers, in perils by mine own countrymen, in perils by the heathen, in perils in the city, in perils in the wilderness, in perils in the sea. in perils among false brethren:
- 27. In weariness and
- **painfulness,** in watchings often,
- in hunger and thirst,
- in fastings often,
- in cold and nakedness.
 - 28. Beside those things that are without, that which cometh upon me daily, the care of all the churches.
 29. Who is weak, and I am not weak? who is offended, and I burn not?
- 30. If I must needs glory, Iwill glory of the things

which concern

- | mine infirmities.
- 31. The God and Father of
- our Lord Jesus Christ, which is blessed for evermore,
- knoweth that I lie not.
- 32. In Damascus the
- Governor under Aretas the king kept the city of the Damascenes with a garrison,
- desirous to apprehend me:
- 33. And through a window in a basket was
- I let down by the wall, and
- | escaped his hands.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. It is not expedient for me doubtless to glory.
- I will come to visions and
- revelations of the Lord.
 - 2. I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago,
 - (whether in the
- **body, I cannot tell;** or whether out of the body, I cannot tell:
- God knoweth;) such an one
 - caught up to the
 - third heaven.
 - 3. And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;)
- 4. How that he was caught
- up into paradise, and heard unspeakable
- Words, which it is
- not lawful for a man
- to utter.
- 5. Of such an one will I
- **glory:** yet of myself I will not glory, but in mine infirmities.
 - 6. For though I would desire to glory, I shall not be a fool; for I will say the truth: but now I forbear, lest any man should think of me above that which he seeth me to be, or that he heareth of me.
- 7. And lest I should be
- exalted above measure
- through the abundance of
- the revelations, there was
- given to me a thorn in the flesh.
- the messenger of Satan to

- buffet me, lest I should be exalted above measure.
 - 8 For this thing
- I besought the Lord thrice.
- that it might depart from me.
- 9. And he said unto me.
- My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness.
- Most gladly therefore will I rather
- glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.
- 10. Therefore I take pleas-
- ure in infirmities, in reproaches, in necessities, in persecutions, in
- distresses for Christ's sake: for when I am weak, then am I strong.
 - 11. Lam become a fool in glorving; ve have compelled me: for I ought to have been commended of you: for
- in nothing am I behind the verv
- chiefest apostles, though I be nothing.
- 12. Truly the signs of an apostle were wrought among you
 - in all patience, in signs, and wonders, and mighty deeds.
 - 13. For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except it be that I myself was not burdensome to you? forgive me this wrong.
- 14. Behold, the third time I am ready to come to you: and I will not be burden-
 - some to you: for I seek not your's but you: for the children ought not to lay up for the parents, but the parents for the children.
- 15. And I will very gladly spend and be spent for
 - you; though the more abundantly I love you, the less I
 - 16. But be it so, I did not burden you: nevertheless, being crafty, I caught you with guile.
 - 17. Did I make a gain of you by any of them whom I sent unto you?

- 18. I desired Titus, and with him I sent a brother. Did Titus make a gain of you? walked we not in the same spirit? walked we not in the same steps?
- 19. Again, think ve that we excuse ourselves unto you? we speak before God in Christ: but
- we do all thinas. dearly beloved.
- for your edifying.
- 20. For I fear, lest, when I
- come, I shall not find you such as I would, and that I shall be found unto you such as ye would not: lest
 - there be debates.

envyings, wraths, strifes,

- backbitings, whisperings swellings, tumults: 21. And lest, when I come
- again, my God will humble me among you, and that
- I shall bewail many which
- have sinned already.
- and have not repented
- of the uncleanness and fornication and lasciviousness
- which they have
 - committed.

CHAPTER 13

- 1. This is the third time I am coming to you. In the mouth of two or three witnesses shall every word be established.
- I told you before, and foretell you. as if I were present, the second time; and being absent now
- I write to them which heretolore
- have sinned, and to all other. that, if I come again,
- I will not spare:
- 3 Since ye seek a proof of
- Christ speaking in me. which to you-ward is not
- weak, but is mighty in you.
- 4. For though he was
- crucified through weak-
- ness, yet he liveth by the
- power of God. For we also are weak in him, but we
- shall live with him by the
- power of God toward you.

- 5. Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except
 - 6. But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates.
- 7. Now I pray to ■ God that ve

ve be reprobates?

- do no evil; not that we should appear approved,
- | but that ye should
- do that which
- is honest,

though we be as reprobates.

- 8. For we can do nothing against the truth, but for the truth.
- 9. For we are glad, when we are weak, and ye are strong: and this also we wish, even your perfection.
- 10. Therefore I write

these thinas

- being absent, lest being present I should use
- sharpness, according to the power which the Lord
- hath given me to edifica-■ tion, and not to destruction.
- 11. **Finally**, brethren, farewell.
- Be periect,

be of good comfort, be of one mind,

- live in peace; and the
- God of love and peace shall be with you.
- 12. Greet one another with an holy kiss.
 - 13. All the saints salute you.
- 14. The grace of the Lord
- Jesus Christ,and the love of God, and
- the communion of the Holy Ghost, be with you all.
- I Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE GALATIANS

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Theme – written to show that we are justified by God through faith and not through keeping laws.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Paul's Vindication of his Apostleship and of our Redemption through Christ. Chapter 1
- II. Paul's Rebuke of Peter, and a Defense of Justification by Faith. Chapters 2:1—3:9
- III. Paul's Explanation of the Curse of the Law, and Christ's power to Redeem. Chapters 3:9—3:29
- IV. Paul's Exposition of Our Freedom and Benefits as Sons of God. Chapters 4:1—5:14
- V. Paul's teaching on Subjecting the Flesh to the Holy Spirit. Chapters 5:15—6:18

- 1. Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)
 - 2. And all the brethren which are with me,
- unto the churches
- of Galatia:
- 3. Grace be to you and
- peace from God the Father,
- Jesus Christ,
- 4. Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver
- us from this present evil
- of God and our Father:
 - 5. To whom *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- 6.1 marvel that ye are so
 - soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ
- unto another gospel:
- 7. Which is not another; but
- trouble you, and would
- pervert the gospel
- of Christ.
- 8. But though we, or an
- angel from heaven,
- preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you,
- let him be accursed.
 - 9. As we said before,
- so say I now again, if any man preach any other
- **gospel** unto you than that ye have received,
- let him be accursed.
 - 10. For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.
 - 11. But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was
- preached of me is not after man.
 - 12. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught *it*,
- but by the revelation ofJesus Christ.

- 13. For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion,
- how that beyond measure
- I persecuted the church
- and wasted it:
- 14. And profited in the Jews'
- religion above many my equals in mine own nation,
- being more exceedingly
 - zealous of the traditions of my fathers.
 - 15. **But when it pleased God,** who separated me from my mother's womb, and called *me* by his grace,
- 16. To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen:
- immediately I conferred
 not with flesh and blood:
 - 17. Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me;
- but I went into Arabia, and returned again
- unto Damascus.
- 18. Then after three years I
- went up to Jerusalem
- to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.
- 19. But other of the apostles
 saw I none, save James
 the Lord's brother.
 - 20. Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.
- 21. Afterwards I came into the regions of
- | Syria and Cilicia;
- 22. And was unknown by
- face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:
- 23. But they had heard only,
- That he which persecuted
- US in times past
 - now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.
 - 24. And they glorified God in me.

CHAPTER 2

- | 1. Then fourteen years after I
- went up again to
 - Jerusalem with Barnabas, and took Titus with me also.

2. And I went up

by revelation, and

■ | communicated unto them

that aospel which I preach among the Gentiles.

> but privately to them which were of reputation, lest by any means I should run, or had run, in vain.

3. But neither Titus. who was with me.

being a Greek, was compelled to be circumcised:

4. And that because of

false brethren

unawares brought in, who

came in privily to spy out our liberty which we have

in Christ Jesus, that they might bring us

into bondage:

5. To whom we gave place by subjection, no.

not for an hour; that the

truth of the gospel

might continue with you.

6. But of these who seemed to be somewhat, (whatsoever they were, it maketh no matter to me: God accepteth no man's person:) for they who seemed to be somewhat in conference added nothing to me:

7. **But** contrariwise, when

they saw that the gospel of the uncircumcision was committed unto me, as

the gospel of

the circumcision was unto Peter:

> 8. (For he that wrought effectually in Peter to the apostleship of the circumcision, the same was mighty in me toward the Gentiles:)

And when James. ■ Cephas, and John,

who seemed to be pillars,

perceived

the grace that was

■ | given unto

me, they gave to me and ■ Barnabas the right

hands of fellowship: that

we should go unto the

■ heathen, and they unto the

circumcision.

10. Only they would that we should remember the poor; the same which I also was forward to do

11. But when Peter was come to Antioch. I withstood him to the face.

because he was to be

blamed.

12 For before

that certain came from James. he did eat with the Gentiles:

but when they were come.

he withdrew and

separated himself, fearing

them which were

of the circumcision.

13 And the other Jews

dissembled likewise

with him: insomuch that

Barnabas also was carried away

with their dissimulation.

14. But when I saw that they

walked not uprightly

according to

the truth of

the gospel, I said unto Peter

before them all.

If thou, being a Jew,

livest after the manner of Gentiles, and not as do the Jews, why compellest

thou the

Gentiles to live as do the Jews?

> 15. We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles.

16. Knowing that a

man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ.

> even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law:

for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

> 17. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

> 18. For if I build again the things which

- I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.
- 19. For I through the law am dead to the law.
- that I might live unto God.
- 20. I am crucified with
- Christ: neverthless I live;
 yet not I, but Christ liveth in
 me: and the life which I now
- live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who
 - loved me, and gave
- himself for me.
 - 21. I do not frustrate the grace of God: for
- if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead

|■| in vain. CHAPTER 3

■ 1.0 foolish Galatians, who ■ hath bewitched you.

that ye should not obey the truth, before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?

- 2. This only would I learn of you, Received ye the Spirit by the works of the law, or by the hearing of faith?
- 3. Are ye so foolish? having
 begun in the Spirit, are ye
 now made perfect by
 the flesh?
 - 4. Have ye suffered so many things in vain? if it be yet in vain.
- 5. He therefore that ministereth to you
- the Spirit, and worketh
- miracles among you,
- **doeth he it by** the works of
- the law, or by the hearing of faith?
- 6. Even as Abraham
- believed God, and it was
- accounted to him forrighteousness.
 - 7. Know ye therefore that
- they which are
- of faith, the same
- are the children of Abraham.
- 8. And the scripture,
 - foreseeing that God would

- justify the heathen through
 faith, preached before
 the appel
- unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations
- be blessed.
- So then they which be of faith are blessed with faithful Abraham.
- 10. For as many as are of the works of the
- law are under the curse:

for it is written, Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them.

11. But that no man is
 justified by the law
 in the sight of God. it

- is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.
- 12. And the law is not of faith: but, The man that doeth them shall live in them.
- 13. Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law.
 - being made a curse for us: for it is written, Cursed is every one
 - for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:
- 14. That the blessing of
 Abraham might come on
 the Gentiles through Jesus
 - Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith.

 15. Brethren, I speak after the manner of men; Though it be but a man's covenant, yet if it be confirmed, no man disannulleth, or addeth therelo.
- 16. Now to Abraham and his seed were the promises
 made. He saith not, And to
- seeds, as of many;
- but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ.
 - 17. And this I say, that the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect.
 - 18. For if the inheritance *be* of the law, it is no more of promise; but
- God gave *it* to Abraham by promise.
- 19 Wherefore then serveth

297 the law? It was added because of ■ transgressions, till the ■ | seed should come to whom the promise was made: and it was ordained by angels in the hand of a mediator. 20 Now a mediator is not a mediator of one, but God is one. 21. Is the law then against the promises of God? God forbid: for if there had been a law given which could have given life, verily righteousness should have been by the law. 22. But the scripture hath concluded all under sin. **that the** promise by faith of Jesus Christ might **be given** to them that believe. 23. But before faith came, we were kept under the law, shut up unto the faith which should afterwards be revealed 24. Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ. that we might be justified by faith. 25. But after that faith is come, we are no lonaer under a schoolmaster. 26. For ye are all the children of God by faith in l Christ Jesus. 27. For as many of YOU as have been baptized into Christ have but on Christ. 28. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in

and heirs according to the promise.

29. And if ye be Christ's, then are ye

CHAPTER 4

1 Now I say, That

Christ Jesus.

Abraham's seed,

- the heir, as long as he is a child, differeth nothing from a servant.
- though he be lord of all: 2. But is under tutors and governors
- until the time appointed of the father.
- 3. Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the elements
 - of the world:
- 4. But when the fulness of the time was come.
 - God sent forth
- his Son. made of a woman,
- made under the law.
- To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.
 - 6. And because ve are
- sons. God hath
 - sent forth

- the Spirit of his Son into your hearts, crying,
 - Abba, Father.
- 7. Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son:
- and if a son, then an heir of God
- through Christ.
 - 8. Howbeit then, when ye knew not God, ye did service unto them which by nature are no gods.
- 9. But now, after that ye
- have known God.
 - or rather are known of God,
- how turn ye again to the weak and beggarly elements. whereunto ve desire again
- to be in bondage?
 - 10. Ye observe days, and months, and times, and years.
- 11. I am afraid of you, lest I have bestowed upon you labour in vain.
 - 12. Brethren, I beseech you, be as I am; for I am as ye are: ye have not iniured me at all.
 - 13. Ye know how
- through infirmity of the flesh I preached the gospel

unto you at the first.

- 14. **And** my temptation which was in my flesh
- ye despised not, nor rejected; but received me as an angel of God, even

as Christ Jesus.

15. Where is then the blessedness ye spake of? for I bear you record, that, if *it had been* possible,

- ye would have plucked out your own eyes, and have given them to me.
- 16. Am I therefore become
 your enemy, because I tell
 vou the truth?
 - 17. They zealously affect you, *but* not well; yea, they would exclude you, that ye might affect them.
 - 18. But it is good to be zealously affected always in a good thing, and not only when I am present with you.
- 19. My little children, of

 whom I travail in birth again

 until Christ be formed
- in you,
 - 20. I desire to be present with you now, and to change my voice; for I stand in doubt of you.
 - 21. Tell me, ye that desire to be under the law,
- do ye not hear the law 22. For it is written, that
- Abraham had two sons,
 the one by a bondmaid, the
 other by a freewoman.
- 23. But he who was
- of the bondwoman was
 born after the flesh; but he
 of the freewoman was
- by promise.
- 24. Which things are an allegory: for these are the
- two covenants; the
- One from the mount Sinai, which
- gendereth to bondage,which is Agar.
 - 25. For this Agar is mount Sinai in Arabia, and answereth to Jerusalem which now is, and is in bondage with her children.
- 26. **But Jerusalem** which is above
 - is free, which is the mother

of us all.

- 27. For it is written, Rejoice, thou barren that bearest not; break forth and cry, thou that travailest not: for the desolate hath many more children than she which hath an husband.
- 28. Now we, brethren,
 - as isaac was,
- are the children
 - of promise.
- 29. **But** as then
- he that was born after the
 flesh persecuted him that was
 - born after the Spirit,
 - even so it is now.
 - 30. Nevertheless what saith
- the scripture? Cast out the bondwoman and her son:
 - for the son of the
- bondwoman shall not be
- heir with the son of the freewoman.
 - 31. So then, brethren, **We are** not
- **children** of the bondwoman, but
- of the free.

CHAPTER 5

- 1 | 1. Stand fast
 - therefore in the liberty wherewith
- Christ hath made us
- free, and be not entanaled
- again with the yoke
- of bondage.
- 2. Behold, I Paul say unto you, that
- if ye be circumcised, Christshall profit you nothing.
 - 3. For I testify again to
- every man that is circumcised, that he
- is a debtor to do the
- B) is a debtor to do the B) whole law.
 - whole law.
 - Christ is become of no effect unto you,
- whosoever of you are
- justified by the law; ye are
- fallen from grace.
- 5. For we through the Spirit wait for the hope of righteousness by faith.
- 6. For in Jesus Christ neither circumcision availeth any
- thing, nor uncircumcision;but faith which worketh
- |■| by love.

- 7. Ye did run well:
- who did hinder you that ye should not obey the truth?
- 8. This persuasion cometh not of him that calleth you.
 - 9. A little leaven leaveneth the whole lump.
- 10. I have confidence in you through the Lord,
- that ye will be none
- otherwise minded: but he that troubleth you shall
- bear his judament.

whosoever he be.

- 11. And I, brethren, if I yet preach circumcision, why do I yet suffer persecution? then is the offence of the cross ceased.
- 12. I would they were even cut off which trouble you.
- 13. For, brethren.
- ye have been called unto liberty; only use not liberty for an occasion
- to the flesh.

but by love serve one another.

- 14. For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this;
- Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.
 - 15. But if ve bite and devour one another, take heed that ve be not consumed one of another. 16. This I say then,
- Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.
- 17. For the flesh lusteth against the Spirit.
- and the Spirit
- against the flesh; and these
- are contrary the one to the
- other: so that we cannot do the things that ye would.
 - 18. But if ye be led of the Spirit. ve are not under the law.
- 19. Now the works of the ■ I flesh are manifest, which
- are these; Adultery,
- fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness.
- 20. Idolatry, witchcraft,
 - hatred, variance,

- emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies.
- 21. Envyings, murders, drunkenness, revellings,
- and such like: of the which I tell you before, as I have also told you in time past, that
- they which do such things shall not inherit the

kingdom of God.

- 22. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, long-
- suffering, gentleness, acodness, faith,
- 23. Meekness, temperance:
- against such there is no law.
 - 24. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with the affections and lusts.
- 25. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.
 - 26. Let us not be desirous of vain glory, provoking one another, envying one another.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Brethren, if a man be overtaken in a fault. ve which are spiritual.
 - restore such an one in the
- spirit of meekness: considering thyself, lest thou also

be tempted.

- 2 Bear one another's
- burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.
- For if a man think himself. to be something, when he is nothing, he
- deceiveth himself.
 - But let every man prove his own. work, and then shall he have rejoicing in himself alone, and not in another.
 - For every man shall bear his own burden.
 - 6. Let him that is taught in the word communicate unto him that teacheth in all good things.
- 7. Be not deceived: God is not mocked: for what-
- soever a man soweth, that shall he also reap.

- 8. For he that soweth to his
- reap corruption:
- but he that soweth to the
- Spirit shall of the Spirit
- reap life everlasting.

 9. And let us not be weary in welldoing: for in due season we shall
- reap, if we faint not.

 10. As we have therefore opportunity, let us do good

unto all men, especially unto them who are of the household of faith.

- 11. Ye see how large a letter I have written unto you with mine own hand.
- 12. As many as desire to make a fair shew in the flesh, they constrain you to be circumcised; only lest they should suffer persecution for the cross of Christ.
- 13. For neither they themselves who are

- circumcised keep the law;
 but desire to have you
 circumcised, that they may
- glory in your flesh.
- 14. But God forbid that I should glory, save in the
- cross of our Lord

by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

- 15. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision
- availeth any thing.
- nor uncircumcision, but a new creature.
 - 16. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace *be* on them, and mercy, and upon the Israel of God.
 17. From henceforth let no man trouble me: for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus.
 - 18. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ *be* with your spirit.
- Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE EPHESIANS

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 of Christ,
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 Chapters 1—3
- II. The Ministry of the Church in God's Plan of Reconciliation Through Christ, the Unity of the Church Despite its Variety of Gifts and His Instructions to the Family. Chapters 4—5
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 the Full Armor of Christ
 and the Responsibility of
 the Believer to the
 Church.
 Chapter 6

- 1. **Paul**, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God,
- to the saints
 - at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:
 - 2. Grace *be* to you, and peace, from God our Father, and *from* the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3. Blessed be the God and Father
- of our Lord
- Jesus Christ,
- who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in
- heavenly *places* in Christ:

 4. According as he hath
- chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,

that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

- 5. Having predestinated us ■ unto the adoption of
 - children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
 - To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved.
- 7. In whom we have
- redemption through hisblood, the forgiveness of
- sins, according to
- the riches of
- his grace;
- 8. Wherein he hath
- abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence;
- 9. Having made known unto
 - us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself:
- 10. **That in** the dispensation of
- the fulness of times he
- might gather together in one all things in Christ, both
- in heaven, and which are on
- earth; even in him:
- we have obtained
 - an inheritance, being

- predestinated
 according to the purpose
 of him who worketh all
- things after the counsel
- of his own will:
- 12. That we should be to the praise of his glory, who
 first trusted in Christ.
- 13. In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed,
- ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,
- 14. Which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the
- purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory.
 - 15. Wherefore I also, after I heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus, and love unto all the saints.
- 16. Cease not to give thanks
 for you, making mention of you in my prayers;
- 17. That the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory,
- may give unto
- YOU the spirit of
- wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of him:
 - The eyes of your understanding being enlightened;
- that ye may know what is the hope of his calling, and what the riches of
- the glory of his ■ inheritance in t
 - inheritance in the saints,
- 19. And what is the exceeding greatness of his power to us-ward who believe,
- **according to** the working of
- his mighty
- power,
- 20. Which he wrought
- in Christ, when he raised
- him from the dead,
- and set him at his own
- right hand in the heavenly places,
- 21. Far above all
- principality, and power, and might, and dominion, and every name that is named, not only in this world.

but also in that which is to come:
22. And hath put all things
under his feet, and gave

him to be the head over all things to the church,

23. Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.

CHAPTER 2

■ 1. And you hath he

■ *quickened*, who were dead

in trespasses and sins:

sins;
2. Wherein in time past ye
walked according to

the course of

■ this world, according to the

■ prince of the power of

the air, the spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience:

3. Among whom also we all had our conversation

in times past

■ in the lusts of our flesh,

fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind; and were by nature the children of wrath, even as others.

4. But God, who is rich in mercy, for his great love wherewith he loved us

5. Even when we were dead

in sins, hath quickened us together with Christ,

(by grace ye are saved:)

6 And hath raised *us* up

together, and made *us* sit together in heavenly *places* in Christ Jesus:

■ 7 That in the ages to come

■ he might shew the

■ exceeding riches of his

grace in his kindness

toward us through Christ Jesus.

8. For by grace are yesaved through faith; an

saved through faith; and

not of yourselves:

if is the gift of God:

9. Not of works, lest any

man should boast.

workmanship, created in

■ Christ Jesus unto good

WOrks, which God hath before

ordained that we should walk in them.

11. Wherefore remember,

that ye being in time past Gentiles in the flesh.

who are called Uncircumcision by that which is called the Circumcision in the flesh made by hands;

12. That at that time ye were without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers from the

covenants of promise, having no hope,

■ and without God in the world:

13. But now in Christ Jesus
ye who sometimes were far off

■ are made nigh by the blood of Christ.

■ 14. For he is our peace, who hath made both one.

and hath broken down the middle wall of partition

15. Having abolished in his flesh the enmity, even the law of commandments contained in ordinances; for to make in himself of twain one new man, so making peace;

■ 16. And that he might reconcile both unto God in

one body by the cross,

having slain the enmity thereby: 17. And came and preached peace to you which were afar off, and to them that were nigh.

18. For through him we both have access by one Spirit
 unto the Father.

19. Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellow-citizens with the

saints, and of the household of God:

20. And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus
 Christ himself being the

Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

21. In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:

22. In whom ye also are builded together

for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. For this cause I Paul, the prisoner of Jesus Christ for you Gentiles,
- 2. If ye have heard of the
- dispensation of the grace of God which is given me to you-ward:
- 3. How that by revelation he
- made known unto me the mystery:
 - (as I wrote afore in few words.
 - Whereby, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ)
 - 5. Which in other ages was not made known unto the sons of men, as it is now revealed unto his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit:
- 6. That the Gentiles should be fellow heirs, and of the same body, and
- partakers of his promise in
- Christ by the gospel:
- 7. Whereof I was made a minister, according to the gift of the grace of God given unto me by the effectual working of his power.
 - 8. Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this grace given,
- that I should preachamong the Gentiles

the unsearchable riches of Christ;

- 9. And to make all men seewhat is the fellowship of the
- mystery, which from the beginning of the world
- hath been hid in God, who
- created all things byJesus Christ:
 - 10. To the intent that now unto the principalities and powers in heavenly places might be known by the church the manifold wisdom of God,
 - According to the eternal purpose which he purposed in Christ Jesus our Lord:
- 12. In whom we have boldness and access
 with confidence

- | by the faith of him.
- 13. Wherefore I desire that ■ ve faint not at my
- tribulations for you,
- which is your glory

 14. For this cause I bow
 - my knees

 Unito the Father of
- our Lord Jesus Christ,
 - 15. Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named,
 - 16. That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory,
- to be strengthened with
- might by his Spirit in the inner man:
- 17. That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith; that ye, being rooted and grounded in love,
 18. May be able to comprehend with
 - all saints what *is* the breadth, and length, and depth, and height;

 19. **And to know the love of**
- 19. And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.
 - 20. Now unto him that is
- able to do exceeding abundantly
- above all that we ask or think, according to the power that
- worketh in us,
 21. **Unto him be glory**in the church by Christ Jesus
- throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

CHAPTER 4

1. I therefore,

the prisoner of the Lord,

- **■** beseech you that ye walk
- worthy of the vocation
- wherewith ye are called,
- 2. With all lowliness and meekness, with longsuffering,
- forbearing one another
- in love;
- 3. Endeavouring to keep the
- unity of the Spirit
 - in the bond of peace.
- 4. *There is* one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;
- 5. One Lord, one faith.

one baptism.

6. One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all,

and in you all. 7. But unto every one of us is

- given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.
- 8. Wherefore he saith, When he ascended up on high, he led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men.
- 9. (Now that he ascended, what is it but that he also descended first into the lower parts of the earth?
- 10. He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that he might fill all things.)
- 11. And he gave some,
 - apostles: and
 - some, prophets; and
- some, evangelists; and some, pastors
- and teachers:
- 12. For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry. for the edifying of the body of Christ:
 - 13. Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man,
- unto the measure of the stature of the
 - fulness of Christ:
- 14 That we henceforth be no more children. tossed to and fro, and
- carried about with every wind of doctrine, by the sleight of men, and cunning craftiness, whereby they lie in wait to deceive:
- 15. **But speaking the truth in** love, may grow up into him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: 16. From whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying
 - 17. This I say therefore. and testify in the Lord. that ve henceforth

of itself in love.

walk not as other Gentiles

walk.

- in the vanity of their mind.
- 18. Havina the
- understanding darkened. being alienated from the life of God through the ignorance that is in them.
- because of the
- blindness of
- their heart:
- 19. Who being past feeling have given themselves over unto lasciviousness.
 - to work all uncleanness with areediness.
 - 20. But ye have not so learned Christ:
 - 21. If so be that
 - ve

- have heard him, and
- have been taught by him, as
 - the truth is in Jesus:
- 22. That ye but off concerning the former
 - conversation the old man. which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts:
- 23. And be renewed in the spirit of your mind;
 - 24. And that ye put on the new man.
 - which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.
- 25. Wherefore putting away
- lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour:
 - for we are members one of another. 26. Be ye angry, and sin not:
- let not the sun go down upon your wrath:
- 27. Neither give place to the devil.
- 28. Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him
 - labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth.
- 29. **Let no corrupt**
- communication proceed out of your mouth.
 - but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.
 - 30. And arieve not the holy

- Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption.
- 31. Let all bitterness, and
- wrath, and
- anger, and clamour,
- and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice:
- 32. And be ve kind one to another.
- tenderhearted, forgiving
- one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

- 1. Be ye therefore followers of God, as dear children:
- 2. And walk in love, as
- Christ also hath loved us. and hath given himself
- for us an offering and a sacrifice to God

for a sweet smelling savour.

- 3. But fornication, and all uncleanness, or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints:
- 4. Neither filthiness, nor foolish talking, nor jesting, which are not convenient: but rather giving of thanks.
- 5. For this ye know, that no whoremonger, nor
- unclean person, nor covetous man, who is an idolater.
- hath any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.
- 6. **Let no man deceive you**
 - with vain words: for because of these things cometh the wrath of God upon the children of disobedience.
- 7. Be not ve therefore partakers with them.
- 8. For ye were sometimes darkness, but now
- are ye light in the Lord:
- walk as children of light:
 - 9. (For the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness and righteousness and truth:)
 - 10. Proving what is acceptable unto
- 11. And have no fellowship ■ with the unfruitful works of

- darkness, but rather reprove them.
 - 12. For it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.
- But all things that are reproved are made manifest by the light:

for whatsoever doth make manifest is light.

- Wherefore he saith. Awake thou that sleepest, and arise from the dead, and
 - Christ shall give thee light. 15. See then that ye walk circumspectly, not as fools, but as wise.
 - 16. Redeeming the time, because the davs are evil.
- 17. Wherefore be ve not unwise, but understanding what the will of the Lord is.
- 18. And be not drunk with
 - Wine, wherein is excess:
- but be filled with the Spirit:
- 19. Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and
- spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord:
- 20. Givina thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord
- Jesus Christ: 21. Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear
- of God. 22. Wives, submit yourselves
- . unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord.
- 23. For the husband is the
- head of the wife, even as Christ is the head of the church:
 - and he is the saviour of the body.
- 24 Therefore as the church is subject unto Christ, so
- let the wives be to their own husbands in every thing.
- 25. Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also
- loved the church, and gave himself for it:
 - 26. That he might sanctify and

cleanse it with the washing of water by the word.

- 27. That he might present it to himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.
- 28. So ought men to love their wives as their own
- **bodies.** He that loveth his wife loveth himself.
- 29. For no man ever yet
 hated his own flesh; but
 nourisheth and
 - cherisheth it.

even as the Lord the church:
30. For we are members of his body, of his flesh, and of his bones.

- 31. For this cause shall a man leave his father and mother, and shall be joined unto his wife, and
- they two shall be one flesh.
 32. This is a great mystery:
 but I speak concerning
- Christ and the church.
 - 33. Nevertheless let every one of you in particular so love his wife even as himself; and the wife *see* that she reverence *her* husband.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Children, obey your parents in the Lord:
 for this is right.
- 2. Honour thy father and mother; which is the first commandment with promise;
- 3. That it may be well with thee, and thou mayest live long on the earth.
- 4. And, ye fathers, provoke
 not your children to wrath:
 but bring them up in the
 nurture and admonition of
- the Lord.
 5. Servants, be obedient to them that are
- your masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;
 - Not with eye service, as men pleasers; but as the servants of

Christ, doing the will of God from the heart:

- 7. With good will doing
 service, as to the Lord, and
 not to men:
- 8. Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether he be
- bond or free.
 9 And, ye masters, do the

same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him.

■ 10. **Finally**, my brethren,

be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might.

- 11. Put on the whole armour
 of God, that ye may be able
 to stand against the wiles
 of the devil.
- 12. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood,
- **but against** principalities, against powers, against
- the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places.
 - 13. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.
- 14. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of
- righteousness;
- 15. And your feet shod with the preparation of the

■ gospel of peace;

■ 16. Above all, taking the shield of faith,

wherewith ye shall be able

- to quench all the fiery darts
 of the wicked.
- 17. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God:
 - 18. Praying always with all prayer and supplication in

- the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints:
- 19. And for me, that utterance may be given unto me.
- that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of
- the gospel,
- 20. For which I am an
- ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.
 - 21. But that ye also may know my affairs, and how I do, Tychicus, a

- beloved brother and faithful minister in the Lord, shall make known to you all things:
- 22. Whom I have sent unto you for the same purpose, that ye might know our affairs, and *that* he might comfort your hearts.
- 23. **Peace** be to the brethren,
- and love with faith, from
- God the Father
- and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 24. Grace be with all them
- that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity.
- I in since: ■ I Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE PHILIPPIANS

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- II. Paul's Warning Against the Judaizers and His Appeal for Harmony and Joy. Chapter 3:3—3:17
- III. Paul's Caution About Worldliness and His Appeal for Steadfastness. Chapters 3:18—4

- 1. Paul and Timotheus, the servants of Jesus Christ,
- to all the saints
- in Christ Jesus which are at Philippi,

with the bishops and deacons:

- Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3. I thank my
- God upon every
- remembrance of you,
- 4. Always in every
- prayer of mine for you all
- **| making request** with joy,
- 5. For your fellowship in the
- gospel from the first day until now;
 6. Being confident
 - 6. **Being confident** of this very thing,
- that he which hath begun a
 good work in you will
 perform it

until the day of Jesus Christ:

- 7. Even as it is meet for me to think this of you all, because
- I have you in my heart;
- in my bonds, and in the defence and confirmation
- of the gospel, ye all are
- partakers of my grace.
 8. For God is my record, how greatly
 I long after you all in the bowels
 - of Jesus Christ. 9. And this I pray,
- that your love may abound yet more and more
- in knowledge and in all judgment;
- 10. That ye may
- approve things that are
- excellent; that ye may
- be sincere and without
- offence till the day of Christ;
- 11. Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are
- by Jesus Christ,
- unto the glory and praise of God.
- 12. **But** I would ye should
- understand, brethren, that the things which
 - happened unto me have

- I fallen out rather
- unto the furtherance of the gospel;
- 13. So that my bonds in
 Christ are manifest in all the palace, and in all other places;
- 14. **And** many of
- | the brethren in the Lord,
- waxing confident by my
- **bonds, are** much more
- bold to speak the word without fear.
- 15. **Some** indeed
 - preach Christ even
- Of envy and
 - strife; and some also
- of good will:
- 16. The one preach Christ of contention,
- not sincerely, supposing to add affliction to my bonds:
- 17. But the other of love, knowing that I am set for the defence of the gospel.
- 18. What then? notwithstanding, every way, whether
- in pretence, or in truth,
 Christ is preached; and I
 therein do rejoice, yea, and will
 rejoice.
 - 19. For I know that
- this shall turn to my
- salvation through your prayer, and the supply of
- | the Spirit of Jesus Christ,
- 20. According to my earnest expectation and
- my hope, that in nothing I
- shall be ashamed, but that with all
- boldness, as always, so now also
- Christ shall be magnified in my body, whether it be
- by life, or by death.
- 21. For to me to live is Christ, and to die is gain.
- 22. But if I live in the flesh, this is the fruit of my labour: yet what I shall choose I wot not.
- 23. For I am in a strait
- betwixt two, having a
- desire to depart, and to be
- with Christ; which is far better:

- 24 Nevertheless to abide in the flesh
- is more
- needful for you.

25. And having this confidence,

- I know that
- I shall abide and continue
- with you all
- for your furtherance and joy of faith:

26. That your rejoicing may be more abundant in Jesus Christ for me by my coming to you again.

- 27. Only let your conversation be
 - as it becometh the gospel

- of Christ: that whether I come and see you, or else be absent,
- I may hear of your affairs,
- that ye stand fast
 - in one spirit, with one mind striving together
- for the faith of the
- gospel:
- 28. And in nothing terrified by your adversaries:

which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation, and that of God.

- 29. For unto you
- it is given in the behalf of
- Christ, not only to believe
- on him, but also to suffer
- for his sake:

30. Having the same conflict which ye saw in me, and now hear to be in me.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. If there be therefore any consolation in Christ, if any comfort of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any bowels
- 2. Fulfil ye my joy, that ve be like-minded.
- having the same love.
- being of one accord.
- of one mind.

and mercies.

- 3. Let nothing be done
 - through strife or vainglory: but in lowliness of mind let each

esteem other better than themselves.

4. Look not every man on

- his own things, but every man also
- on the things of others.
- Let this mind be in you.
 - which was also
- in Christ Jesus:
 - 6. Who, being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God:
- 7. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon him the form of a servant, and
- was made in the likeness of men:
- 8. **And** being found in fashion
- as a man, he humbled himself, and became
- obedient unto death.
 - even the death of the cross.
- Wherefore God also hath highly
- exalted him, and given him a name which is
 - above every name:
- 10. That at the name of Jesus every knee should
- **bow**, of *things* in heaven, and *things* in earth, and things under the earth;
- 11. **And** that
- every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ
- is Lord, to the alory of

God the Father.

- 12. Wherefore, my beloved, as ye have always obeyed, not as in my presence only, but now much more in my absence.
- work out your own salvation with fear
- and trembling. 13. For it is God which
- worketh in you both to will and to do of
 - his good pleasure.
- 14. Do all things without murmurings and
- disputings:

- 15. **That ye may be**
- blomeless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke.
- in the midst of Crooked and
 - perverse nation, among

- whom ye shine as lights in the world:
- 16. Holding forth the word of life;
- that I may rejoice in the day

 of Christ, that I have not run in
- vain, neither laboured in vain. 17. Yea, and if I be offered upon the
 - sacrifice and service of your faith, I joy, and rejoice with you all.
 - 18. For the same cause also do ye joy, and rejoice with me.
- 19. But I trust in the Lord

 Jesus to send Timotheus
 - shortly unto you, that I also may be of good comfort, when I know your state.
 - 20. For I have no man like minded, who will naturally care for your state.
- 21. For all seek their own, ■ not the things which are
- Jesus Christ's.
- 22. But ye know the proof of
- him, that, as a son with the father.
- he hath served with me
 - in the gospel.

 23. Him therefore I hope to send presently, so soon as I shall see how it will go with me.
 - 24. But I trust in the Lord that
- I also myself shall come shortly.
- 25. **Yet I** supposed it necessary to
- send to you
- Epaphroditus, my brother, and companion in labour,
- and fellow-soldier, but your messenger, and he that
- ministered to my wants.
- 26. For he longed after you all, and was full of heaviness,
- | because that
- ye had heard that
- he had been sick.
- 27. For indeed he was sick nigh
- unto death: but God had mercy on him; and
- on me also, lest I should
- have sorrow upon sorrow.
- 28. I sent him therefore

- the more carefully,
- I that, when ye see him again,
 - ye may rejoice, and that
- ye m
- be the
- less sorrowful.
 - 29. Receive him
 - therefore in the Lord
- with all
 - gladness; and hold such in reputation:
- 30. **Because for** the work of
- Christ he was nigh
- unto death, not regarding
- his life, to supply your lack of service toward me.

- 1. **Finally,** my brethren, rejoice in the Lord.
- To write the same things to you, to me indeed
- is not grievous, but for you
- it is safe.
 - 2. Beware of dogs,
- **beware of evil workers,** beware of the concision.
 - 3. For we are the
- circumcision, which
- worship God in the spirit,
- and rejoice in Christ Jesus,
- and have no confidence in the flesh.
 - 4. Though I might also have confidence in the flesh.
- If any other
- **| man thinketh** that
- he hath whereof he might
- | trust in the flesh, I more:
 - Circumcised the eighth day, of the stock of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin,
- an Hebrew of the Hebrews; as touching the law.
 - a Pharisee:
 - 6. **Concerning** zeal, persecuting the church; touching the
 - righteousness which is in
 - the law, blameless.
- 7. But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss
 - for Christ
 - Yea doubtless, and

I count all things but loss for the excellency of

the knowledge of Christ

Jesus my Lord: for whom I have

suffered the loss of all

things, and do

count them but dung, that I may win Christ.

9. And be found in him.

not having mine own

righteousness, which is

of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ.

the righteousness which is

of God by faith:

10. That I may know him,

and the power of his resurrection, and

the fellowship of

his sufferings, being made

conformable unto

his death:

11. If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead.

12. Not as though I had already attained, either

were aiready

perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that

for which also

I am apprehended of Christ Jesus.

13. Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended; but

this one thing I do,

forgetting those things which are

behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before.

14. I press toward the mark for the prize of

the high calling of God in

Christ Jesus.

15. Let us therefore. as many as be perfect,

be thus minded: and if in any thing

ye be otherwise minded,

■ | God shall reveal even

this unto you.

16. Nevertheless, whereto

■ we have already

attained, let us walk by the same rule.

let us mind the same thing.

17. Brethren, be followers together of me, and mark them which walk so as ve have us for an ensample.

18. (For many walk, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping.

that they

are the

enemies of the cross

19 Whose end is destruction.

whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame.

who mind earthly things.) 20. For our conversation is

in heaven; from whence

also we look for the

Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ:

21. Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned

like unto

his glorious body.

according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself

CHAPTER 4

- 1. Therefore, my brethren dearly beloved and longed for, my joy and crown, so stand fast in the Lord, my dearly beloved.
 - 2. I beseech Euodias, and beseech Syntyche, that they be of the same mind in the Lord.
 - And I entreat thee also, true vokefellow, help those women which laboured with me in the gospel, with Clement also, and with other my fellow-labourers, whose names are in the book of life.
- 4. Rejoice in the Lord alway: and again I say, Rejoice.
- 5 Let your moderation be
- known unto all men.
- The Lord *is* at hand.
- 6. Be careful for nothing; but
- in every thing by prayer
- and supplication with

- thanksgiving let your
 requests be made known
 unto God.
- 7. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and

■ minds through

- Christ Jesus.
- 8. Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true,

whatsoever things are

- honest, whatsoever things are
- just, whatsoever things are

 Dure, whatsoever things are
- pure, whatsoever things arelovely, whatsoever things are
- of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any
- praise, think on these things.
- 9. Those things, which ye
 - have both learned, and received, and heard, and
 - seen in me, do: and the
- God of peace shall be with you.
 - 10. But I rejoiced in the Lord greatly, that now at the last your care of me hath flourished again; wherein ye were also careful, but ye lacked opportunity.
 - 11. Not that I speak in respect of want: for
- I have learned, in
 whatsoever state I am,
 therewith to be content.
 - 12. I know both how to be abased, and I know how to abound:
- every where and in all things I am instructed both to be full and
- to be hungry,

both to abound and to suffer need.

- 13. I can do all things through Christ which
- strengtheneth me.

 14. Notwithstanding ye have
- well done, that ye did
- communicate with my affliction.
 - 15. Now ye Philippians know also, that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church communicated with me as concerning giving and receiving, but ye only.
 - 16. For even in Thessalonica ye sent once and again unto my necessity.17. Not because I desire a
- gift: but I desire fruit
 that may abound to
 vour account.
- 18. **But** I have all, and abound:
 - of Epaphroditus
- the things which were sent from you.
- an odour of a sweet smell,
- a sacrifice acceptable,
- well-pleasing to God.

 19. But my God shall sur
- 19. But my God shall supply
 all your need according to
 his riches in glory by
- Christ Jesus.
 - 20. Now unto God and our Father *be* glory for ever and ever. Amen.
 - 21. Salute every saint in Christ Jesus. The brethren which are with me greet you.
 - 22. All the saints salute you, chiefly they that are of Caesar's household.23. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

■ I Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE COLOSSIANS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Paul, an Apostle.

Date Written – probably
between 60 and 65 A.D.

Number of: Verses - 95 Chapters - 4

Total Words - 1,998 Scan Words - 844 Scan words represent 42 % of total words

Theme – written to show the pre-eminence of Christ over all competing systems, and how believers should conduct their lives.

OUTLINE OF

- Paul Describes the Pre-eminence of Christ, our Reconciliation in Christ and His Own Service for Christ. Chapters 1—2:3
- II. Paul Warns Against False Teaching, Explains the New Life in Christ, Christian Virtues and Gives Advice for Domestic Life. Chapters 2:4—4

- 1 1. Paul. an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God.
- and Timotheus our brother,
- 2. To the saints and faithful brethren in Christ which are
- at Colosse: Grace be unto you. and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 3. We give thanks to God and the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, praying always for you.
- 4. Since we heard of your faith in Christ Jesus, and of the love which ve have to all the saints.
 - 5. For the hope which is laid up for you in heaven, whereof ve heard before in the word of the truth of the gospel;
 - 6. Which is come unto you, as it is in all the world; and bringeth forth fruit, as it doth also in you, since the day ve heard of it, and knew the grace of God in truth:
 - 7. As ve also learned of Epaphras our dear fellow-servant, who is for you a faithful minister of Christ;
 - 8. Who also declared unto us your love in the Spirit.
- 9. For this cause we also, since the day we heard it.
- do not cease to pray for
- YOU, and to desire
- that ye might be filled with the knowledge of his
- Will in all wisdom and spiritual
- understanding;
- 10. That ye might walk worthy of the Lord

unto all pleasing,

- being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the
- knowledge of God: 11. Strengthened with all might,
- according to his glorious power, unto all
- patience and longsuffering with joyfulness;
- 12. Giving thanks unto the
 - Father, which hath made us meet to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in light:

- 13. Who hath delivered us from the power of
- darkness, and hath
- translated us into the
- kingdom of his dear Son:
- 14. In whom we have redemption through his blood.

even the forgiveness of sins:

15. Who is the image of the invisible God.

the firstborn of every creature:

- 16. For by him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth.
- visible and invisible, whether they be thrones, or dominions, or principalities, or powers: all things were created by him, and for him:
- 17. And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.
- 18. And he is the
- head of the body.
- the church:

who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead:

- that in all *thinas* he might
- have the preeminence. 19. For it pleased the Father
- that in him should all fulness dwell:
- 20. And, having made
- peace through the blood of his cross, by him to
- reconcile all things unto
- himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
- 21. **And you,** that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now
- hath he reconciled
- In the body of
- his flesh through death, to
- present you holy and
- unblameable and unreproveable
 - in his siaht:
- 23. If ye continue in the faith grounded and settled.
- and be not moved away
- from the hope of
 - the gospel, which ye have heard, and which was preached to every

creature which is under heaven; whereof

■ I Paul am made a minister;

- 24. Who now rejoice in my sufferings for you, and fill up that which is behind of the afflictions of Christ in my flesh for his body's sake, which is the church:
- 25. Whereof I am made a minister, according to the dispensation of God which is given to me for you.
- to fulfil the word of God;

 26. Even the mystery which
- hath been hid from ages and from generations, but now
- is made manifest
- to his saints:

27. To whom God would make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is

- Christ in you, the hope of glory:
 28. Whom we preach,
- warning every man,
- and teaching every man in all wisdom;
- that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus:
 29. Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. For I would that ye knew what great conflict I have for you, and for them at Laodicea, and for as many as have not seen my face in the flesh; 2. That their hearts might be comforted, being knit together in love, and unto all riches of the full assurance of understanding, to the acknowledgement of the mystery of God, and of the Father, and of Christ; 3. In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge.
- 4. And this I say, lest any man should
- beguile you with enticing words.
- 5. For though I be absent in the flesh, yet am I with you
- in the spirit, joying and beholding your order, and the stedfastness of your faith in Christ.

- 6. As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him:
 7. Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught,
- abounding therein with thanksgiving.

 8. Beware lest any man
 spoil you through
 philosophy and vain deceit,
 after the tradition of men,
- after the tradition of then, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.
- 9. For in him dwelleth
 all the fulness of the
 Godhead bodily.
- 10. And ye are complete in him, which is the head of all principality and power:
- 11. In whom also ye are
 circumcised with the
 circumcision made without hands,
 in putting off the body of the
- sins of the flesh
 by the circumcision
- by the circumcision
 of Christ:
 12. Buried with him in

- 12. Buried with him in baptism, wherein also ye are risen with him through the
- faith of the operation of God, who hath raised him from the dead.
- 13. And you, being dead in your
- sins and the uncircumcision of your flesh,
 hath he quickened
- together with him,
 having forgiven you
 all trespasses;
- 14. Blotting out the handwriting of ordinances that was
 against us,

which was contrary to us,

- and took it out of the way,nailing if to his cross;
- 15. And having spoiled principalities and powers, he made a shew of them openly.
- triumphing over them in it.
- 16. Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an

- holyday, or of the new moon, or of the
- sabbath days: 17. Which are a shadow of things to
 - come; but the body is of Christ.
- 18. Let no man bequile you of your reward
- in a voluntary humility and worshipping of angels,

intruding into those things which he hath not seen.

- vainly puffed up by his fleshly mind,
- 19. And not holding the Head, from which all the
- body by joints and bands
 - having nourishment ministered.
- and knit together,
- increaseth with the increase of God.
- 20. Wherefore if ye be 8 dead with Christ

from the rudiments of the world.

- why, as though living in the world, are ye subject
- to ordinances.
 - 21. (Touch not: taste not: handle not:
- 22. Which all are to perish with the using:) after
- the commandments and
- doctrines of men?
- 23. Which things have ■ indeed a shew of wisdom
- in will-worship, and humility, and
- neglecting of
- the body; not in any
- honour to the satisfying ■ of the flesh.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. If ye then be risen with
- Christ, seek those
- | things which are
- above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.
 - 2. Set your affection on things above, not on
 - things on the earth.
 - 3. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.
 - 4. When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with

him in alory.

- 5. Mortify therefore your members which are
- upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection. evil concupiscence. and covetousness. which is idolatry:
- 6. For which things' sake the wrath of God cometh on the children of dischedience:
- 7. In the which ye also walked some time, when ve lived in them.
- But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth.
- Lie not one to another. seeing that ve have put off the old man with his deeds:
- 10. And have put on the new man, which is renewed in knowledge after the image of him that
- created him:
- 11. Where there is neither Greek nor Jew.
- circumcision nor
- uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian.
- bond nor free: but Christ is all, and in all.
- 12. Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies.
- kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness,
- longsuffering:
- Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another,

if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ve.

- 14. And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.
- 15. And let the peace of God
- rule in your hearts, to the which also ye are called in one body;
- and be ve thankful.
- 16. Let the word of Christ
- dwell in you richly in all wisdom;
- teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and

- hymns and spiritual songs,
 singing with grace in your
 hearts to the Lord.
- 17. And whatsoever ye do in
 word or deed, do all in the
 - name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father
- by him.

 18. Wives, submit
- yourselves unto your own husbands, as it is fit in the Lord.
- 19. Husbands, love your
- wives, and be not bitter against them.
- 20 Children, obey your
 - parents in all things: for this is well pleasing unto the Lord.
- 21. Fathers, provoke not your children to anger, lest they be discouraged.
- 22. Servants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh; not with eye-service, as men pleasers; but in singleness of heart, fearing God;
- 23. And whatsoever ye do,do it heartily, as to the
- Lord, and not unto men;
 - 24. Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance; for ye serve the Lord Christ.
 - 25. But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons.

- 1. Masters, give unto
- *your* servants that which is
- **ust** and equal; knowing that ye also have a Master in heaven.
- 2. Continue in prayer, and
- watch in the same
- with thanksgiving;
- 3. Wifhal praying also for us, that God would open unto us
- **a door** of utterance.
- to speak the mystery
- of Christ, for which I am
- also in bonds:
 - 4. That I may make it manifest, as I ought to speak.

- 5. Walk in wisdom toward them that are without, redeeming the time.
- 6. Let your speech be alway with grace, seasoned with salt, that ye may know how ye ought to answer every man.
- 7. All my state shall
 Tychicus declare unto you,
 who is a beloved brother, and a
 faithful minister and fellow-servant
 in the Lord:

8. Whom I have sent unto you for the

- same purpose, that he might know your estate, and comfort your hearts; 9. With Onesimus, a faithful and beloved brother, who is *one* of you. They shall make known unto you all things which *are done* here.
- 10. Aristarchus
- my tellow prisoner
 saluteth you, and Marcus,
 sister's son to Barnabas,

(touching whom ye received commandments: if he come unto you, receive him;)

- 11. And Jesus, which is called Justus, who are of the circumcision.
- These only are my fellowworkers unto the kingdom of God, which have been a comfort unto me.
- 12. **Epaphras**, who is *one* of you, a servant of Christ.
- saluteth you, always labouring fervently
- for you in prayers,

that ye may stand perfect and complete in all the will of God.

13. For I bear him record, that he hath a great zeal for you, and them that are in Laodicea, and them in Hierapolis.

- 14. Luke, the beloved physician, and Demas, greet you.
- 15. Salute the brethren which are in Laodicea, and Nymphas, and the church which is in his house.
- 16. And when this epistle is read among you,
 - cause that it be read also

- in the church of the Laodiceans; and that ye likewise read the epistle from Laodicea.
 - 17. And say to Archippus, Take heed to the ministry which thou hast received in the Lord, that thou fulfil it.
- 18. The salutation by the hand of me Paul.
- Remember my bonds. Grace be with you.
- Amen.

THE FIRST EPISTLE TO THE THESSALONIANS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Paul, an Apostle. Date Written – probably between 50 and 52 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 89
Chapters - 5
Total Words - 1,857
Scan Words - 878
Scan Words represent 48 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to instruct the church in practical Christian living, and how Christians should respond to the Second Coming.

OUTLINE OF

- Paul Gives Thanks for the Thessalonian's Spiritual Progress and Defends His Message. Chapters 1—2
- II. Paul Sends Timothy to the Thessalonians and Paul's Prayer for Them. Chapter 3
- III. Paul Outlines Christian Doctrine Concerning Morality, the Second Coming and Church Life. Chapters 4—5

- 1. Paul. and
- Silvanus, and Timotheus.
- unto the church of the
 - Thessalonians which is in God the Father and in the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 2. We give thanks to God always for you all, making mention of you in our prayers:
- 3. **Remembering** without ceasing
- **YOU!** work of
- faith, and labour of
- love, and patience of hope
- in our Lord Jesus Christ, in the sight of God and our Father:
- 4. **Knowing,** brethren beloved, **your election** of God.
- 5. For our gospel came
- **not** unto you
- in word only, but also
- in power, and
- in the Holy Ghost.
- and in much
- assurance: as ye know what manner of men we were among you for your sake.
- 6. And ye became
 - followers of us. and of
- the Lord, having
- received the word in much
- affliction, with joy of the Holy Ghost:
- 7. So that ye were
- ensamples to all that believe in Macedonia and Achaia.
- 8. For from you sounded out
- the word of the Lord
- not only in Macedonia
- and Achaia, but also in every place your faith
 - to God-ward
- is spread abroad; so that we need not to speak any thing.
- 9 For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and
- how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and
- true God:

- 10 And to wait for his Son from heaven.
- whom he raised from the dead,
- even Jesus, which
- delivered us from the wrath I to come.
- CHAPTER 2 For yourselves, brethren, know our entrance in unto you, that it was
 - 2. But even after that we had
 - suffered before, and were shamefully entreated, as ye know,
- at Philippi, we were bold in our God
- to speak unto you
- the gospel of God
 - with much contention.
 - 3. For our exhortation was not of deceit, nor of uncleanness, nor in quile:
- 4. But as we were
 - allowed of God to be
 - put in trust with the gospel.
- we speak; not as pleasing men, but God.
 - which trieth our hearts.
- 5. For neither at any time
- used we flattering words, as ye know, nor a cloak of
 - covetousness; God is witness:
- Nor of men.
- sought we glory, neither of you, nor yet of others, when we might have been burdensome, as the apostles of Christ.
- 7. But we were gentle
- among you, even as a nurse cherisheth her children:
 - 8. So being affectionately desirous of you,
- we were willing to have
- imparted unto you,
- **not the gospel** of God
- only, but also our own
- souls, because ye were dear unto us.
- 9. For ye remember.
- brethren, our labour and
 - **fravail:** for labouring night and day.

- because we would not be charaeable unto any of you, we preached unto you the gospel of God. 10. Ye are witnesses, and
- God also, how

holily and justly and

- unblameably we behaved ourselves
- among you that believe:
- 11. As ye know how we exharted and comforted

and charged every one of

- **VOU.** as a father doth his children.
- 12. That ve would walk worthy of God, who hath called you unto his kingdom and glory
- 13. For this cause also thank we God without ceasing.
- because, when ye received the word of God
- which ve heard of us.
- ve received it not as the word of men. but as it is
- in truth, the word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe.
- 14. For ye, brethren,
- became followers of the churches of God which
- in Judaea are in Christ Jesus:
- for ve also have suffered like things
- of your own countrymen, even as they have of the Jews:
- 15 Who both killed the Lord
- Jesus, and their own prophets, and have
- persecuted us; and they please not God, and are contrary to all men:
- 16. Forbidding us to speak
- to the Gentiles that they might be saved, to fill up their sins alway: for the wrath is come upon them to the uttermost.
- 17. But we, brethren, being taken from you for a short time in presence, not in heart,
- endeavoured
- the more abundantly to see your face

with great desire.

18 Wherefore we would

- have come unto you. even I Paul, once and again:
- but Satan hindered us. 19. For what is our hope, or joy, or crown of rejoicing? Are not even ve in the presence of our Lord Jesus Christ at his coming? 20. For ye are our glory and joy.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Wherefore when we could no longer forbear.
- we thought it good to be
- left at Athens alone:
- 2. And sent Timotheus, our brother, and minister of God, and our fellow-labourer in the gospel of Christ.
- to establish you. and to comfort you
- concerning your faith:
 - 3. That no man should be moved by these
- afflictions: for yourselves know that we are appointed thereunto.
 - 4. For verily, when we were with you.
- we told you before that we should suffer tribulation:
- even as it came to pass, and ye know. 5. For this cause, when I could
- no longer forbear. I sent to know your faith.
- lest by some means the tempter have tempted you,
- and our labour be in vain.
 - ค **But** now when
- Timotheus came from you unto us, and
- brought us good tidings of your faith and charity, and that ye have good remembrance of us always, desiring greatly to see us, as we also to see you:
- 7. Therefore, brethren, we were comforted over you in all our affliction and distress
- by your faith:
 - 8. For now we live, if ye stand fast in the Lord.
 - 9. For what thanks can we render to God again for you, for all the joy wherewith
- we joy for your sakes before our God:

- 10. Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?
- 11. Now God himself and our Father, and our Lord Jesus Christ,
 direct our way unto you.
- 12. And the Lord make you to increase and abound in
 - **love** one toward another, and toward all *men*, even as we *do* toward you:
 - 13. To the end he may
- stablish your hearts
 unblameable in holiness before
- God, even our Father,
- at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ with all his saints.

- 1. Furthermore then we
- **beseech you,** brethren, and exhort *you* by the Lord Jesus,
- that as ye have received
- Of US how
- ye ought to walk and to
- please God, so ye would abound more and more.
 - 2. For ye know what commandments we gave you by the Lord Jesus.
- 3. For this is the will of God,
 even your sanctification,
 that ye should
- abstain from fornication:
- 4. That every one of you should
- know how to possess his vessel in sanctification
 - and honour;
 - 5. Not in the lust of concupiscence, even as the Gentiles which know not God:
- 6. That no man go beyond and defraud his brother in any
- matter: because that the Lord is the avenger of all such, as we also have forewarned you and testified.
- 7. For God hath not called us unto uncleanness,
 but unto holiness.
- 8. He therefore that
- despiseth, despiseth not
 - man, but God, who hath also given unto us his holy Spirit

- 9. But as touching brotherly love ye need not that
 - I write unto you: for
- ye yourselves are taught of God to love one another.
- 10. And indeed ye do
 - it toward all the brethren which are in all Macedonia:
- but we beseech you, brethren,that ye increase moreand more;
- 11. And that ye study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with
- your own hands, as we commanded you:
- 12. That ye may walk
- honestly toward them that are without.
- and that ye may
- have lack of nothing.
- 13. But I would not have you to be ignorant, brethren,
- concerning them which are asleep, that ye sorrow not, even as others which have no hope.
- 14. For if we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so
 - them also
- which sleep in Jesus will God bring with him.
- 15. For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, that
- we which are alive and remain unto the coming of the Lord shall not prevent them
- which are asleep.
- 16. For the Lord himself
 shall descend from heaven
 with a shout, with the voice
 of the archangel, and with
 the trump of God: and the
- dead in Christ shall
- 17. Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together
- with them in the clouds, to
- meet the Lord in the air:
 and so shall we ever be
 - with the Lord.

 18. Wherefore comfort one

(■) another with these words.

CHAPTER 5

1 But of the times

and the seasons, brethren,

ye have no need that I write unto vou.

2. For yourselves know perfectly that

the day of the Lord so

cometh as a thief

in the night.

3. For when they shall say,

Peace and safety: then

sudden destruction

cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

4 But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you

as a thief

5. Ye are all the children of

light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

6. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others: but

let us watch and be sober.

7. For they that sleep sleep in the night; and they that be drunken are drunken in the night.

8. But let us, who are of the day, be sober.

putting on the breastplate of faith and love:

and for an helmet.

■ the hope

of salvation.

9. For God hath not

appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by

our Lord Jesus

Christ.

■ 10. Who died for us, that,

■ whether we wake or sleep. we should live together

with him.

11. Wherefore comfort yourselves together, and edify one another, even as also ve do.

12. And we beseech you,

brethren, to know

them which labour amona you, and are over you in

the Lord, and admonish you: 13. And to

> esteem them very highly in love

for their work's sake. And be at peace among yourselves.

14. Now we exhort you, brethren, warn them that are unruly. comfort the feebleminded,

support the weak, be patient toward all men.

15 Seeina that none render evil for evil unto any man; but ever follow that which is good, both among vourselves, and to all men.

16. Rejoice evermore.

17. Pray without ceasing. 18. In every thing give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.

19. Quench not the Spirit.

20. Despise not prophesyinas.

> 21. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

22. Abstain from all appearance of evil.

23. And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly:

and *I pray God* your whole spirit and soul and body be

preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord

Jesus Christ.

24. Faithful is he that calleth you, who also will do it.

Brethren, pray for us.

26. Greet all the brethren with an holy kiss.

27. I charge you by the Lord that this epistle be read unto all the holy brethren.

28. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you.

Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE TO THE THESSAL ONIANS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Paul, an apostle.

Date Written - probably
between 50 and 52 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 47
Chapters - 3
Total Words - 1,042
Scan Words -487
Scan Words represent 46 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to instruct Christians in practical conduct, and the continued need for industry in light of the Second Coming.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- I. Paul Offers

 Encouragement
 in Persecution and
 Instruction Concerning
 the Day of the Lord.
 Chapters 1—2.
- II. Paul Gives Confession of Confidence and Commandments to Work.
 Chapter 3

CHAPTER 1

- 1 1 Paul, and Silvanus, and
- Timotheus, unto the church
- of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: 2. Grace unto you, and peace,

from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ

3. We are bound to

thank God always for you, brethren, as it is meet.

because that

your faith groweth

exceedingly, and the charity of every one of you all toward each other aboundeth:

4. So that we ourselves

glory in you in the churches of God

for your patience and faith

in all your

persecutions and

tribulations that ve endure:

5. Which is a manifest token of the righteous judgment

of God, that ye may be

counted worthy of the kingdom of God, for

which ye also suffer:

6. Seeing it is a righteous

thing with God to

recompense tribulation to them that trouble you:

> 7. And to you who are troubled rest with us.

when the Lord

Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his

mighty angels.

8. In flaming fire taking

vengeance on them that

know not God, and that

obey not the gospel

of our Lord Jesus Christ:

9. Who shall be punished with everlasting

destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

10. When he shall come to be alorified in his saints.

> and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony

among you was believed) in that day. 11. Wherefore also we pray always for you.

that our

God would

count you worthy of this

calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:

12. That the name of our Lord

Jesus Christ may be

glorified in you, and ye in

him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ

CHAPTER 2

1. Now we beseech you. brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him,

2. That ye be not soon

shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

3. Let no man deceive you

by any means:

for that day shall not come, except there come a falling

away first, and that man of sin be revealed.

the son of perdition:

4. Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all

> that is called God. or that is worshipped; so that he as: God sitteth in the temple of God.

shewing himself that he is God.

> 5. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? 6. And now ve know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

7. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he

who now letteth *will let*. until he be taken out

of the way.

8. And then shall that

Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume

with the spirit of his mouth.

and shall destroy with the

brightness of

■ hiš coming:

9. Even him, whose coming

■ is after the working

of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders,

■ 10. And with all

deceivableness

of unrighteousness

■ in them that perish;

because they received not the love of

■ | the truth, that they might be saved.

11. And for this cause God

shall send them strong delusion, that they

should believe a lie:

■ 12. **That they** all might

 be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

13. But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because
 God hath from the beginning

God hath from the beginning
 chosen you to salvation
 through sanctification of

■ the Spirit and belief of the truth:

14. Whereunto he called you by our gospel, to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

15. Therefore, brethren,

stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle.

16. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace,

■ 17 Comfort your hearts, ■ and stablish you in every

■ good word and work.

CHAPTER 3

1. Finally, brethren, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may have free course, and be glorified, even as it is with you:

■ 2. And that we may be

delivered from

unreasonable and wicked

men: for all men have not faith.

3. But the Lord is faithful, who shall stablish you, and

■ keep *you* from evil.

4 And we have confidence

in the Lord touching you, that ye both do and will do the things which we command you.

5. And the Lord direct your
hearts into the love of God,
and into the patient waiting
for Christ.

6. Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord
Jesus Christ, that ye

withdraw yourselves from every brother that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

7. For yourselves know how ye ought to follow us: for we behaved not ourselves disorderly among you;

8. Neither did we eat any man's bread for nought;
 but wrought with labour

and travail night and day,

■ that we might not be
■ chargeable to any of you:

Not because we have not power, but

to make ourselves an ensample unto you to follow us.

■ 10. **FOr** even when we were with you, this

we commanded you, that ifany would not work,

neither should he eat.

11. For we hear that there are some which

walk among you

disorderly, working not at

■ **Qll.** but are busybodies.

12. Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread.

13. But ye, brethren, be not weary in well-doing.

■ 14. And if any man

obey not our word

by this epistle, note that man, and have no company with him,

that he may be ashamed.

15. Yet count him not as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.

16. Now the Lord of peace himself give you peace always by all means. The Lord be with you all. 17. The salutation of Paul with mine

own hand, which is the token in every epistle: so I write. 18. The grace of our Lord Jesus

Christ be with you all.

■ Amen.

THE FIRST EPISTLE TO TIMOTHY

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Paul, an Apostle.

Date Written - probably

between 60 and 65 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 113 Chapters - 6 Total Words - 2,269 Scan Words -1,059 Scan Words represent 46 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to encourage a young minister, and instruct him in the proper conduct of his ministry.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Paul Greets Timothy and Warns About False Teachers.
 Chapter 1:1—1:11
- II. Paul Declares the Apostolic Commission. Chapter 1:12—20
- III. Paul Outlines
 Rules for Public
 Worship and
 Qualifications for
 Church Leaders.
 Chapters 2—3
- IV. Paul Gives Timothy Personal Advice. Chapters 4—6.

CHAPTER 1

- 1. Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the commandment of God our Saviour, and Lord Jesus Christ, which is our hope:
- 2. **Unto Timothy,** my own son in the faith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God our Father and Jesus Christ our Lord.
- 3. As I besought thee to abide still at Ephesus, when I went into Macedonia,
- that thou mightest charge
- some that they teach no other doctrine.
- 4. Neither give heed to
- fables and endless
- genealogies,
 - which minister questions,
- rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do.
- 5. Now the end of the
- commandment is charity
 - out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and
- of faith unfeigned:
- 6. From which some having swerved
- have turned aside
- unto vain jangling;

 7. Desiring to be teachers of
- the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.
 - 8. But we know that
- the law *is* good, if a man ■ use it lawfully;
- 9 Knowing this, that the law is not made for a righteous man, but for the lawless and disobedient, for the ungodly and for sinners, for unholy and profane, for murderers of fathers and murderers of mothers, for manslayers,
 - 10. For whoremongers, for them that defile themselves with mankind, for menstealers, for liars, for perjured persons, and if there be any other thing that is contrary to sound doctrine:
 - According to the glorious gospel of the blessed God, which was committed to my trust.

- 12. And I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who hath enabled me,
- for that he counted me faithful,
- putting me into the ministry;
 13. Who was before a
 - 13. Who was before a blasphemer, and a
- persecutor, and injurious:
- but I obtained mercy,
- because I did it ignorantly in unbelief.
 - 14. And the grace of our Lord was exceeding abundant with faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.
- 15. This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation,
- that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners;
- of whom I am chief.
- 16. Howbeit for this cause

 I obtained mercy, that in me
 first Jesus
- first Jesus
 Christ might shew forth all longsuffering, for a pattern
 - to them which should hereafter

- **believe** on him to life everlasting. 17. Now unto the King eternal, immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.
- 18. This charge I commit unto thee, son Timothy,
- according to the
- prophecies which went before
- on thee, that thou by them
- mightest war agood warfare;
- 19. Holding faith, and a
 - good conscience; which some having put away concerning faith have made shipwreck:
 - 20. Of whom is Hymenaeus and Alexander; whom I have delivered unto Satan, that they may learn not to blaspheme.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. I exhort therefore, that, first of all,
- supplications, prayers,
- intercessions, and giving
- of thanks, be made for
- all men:

- 2. For kings, and for all
- in authority; that we may
- lead a quiet and

■ peaceable life

in all godliness and honesty.

- 3. For this is good and acceptable
- in the sight of God
- our Saviour;
- 4. Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the
- knowledge of the truth.

 5. For there is one God, and
- one mediator between God
- and men, the man
- Christ Jesus;
- 6. Who gave himself a ransom for all.

to be testified in due time.

- 7. Whereunto I am ordained a preacher, and
- an apostle, (I speak the truth in Christ, and lie not:)
- a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and verity.
- 8. I will therefore that men
- pray every where,
 lifting up holy hands.
- without wrath and doubting.

 9. In like manner also, that
 women adorn themselves
- women adorn themselvein modest apparel, with
 - shamefacedness and
- sobriety; not with
- broided hair, or gold, or pearls, or
- costly array;
- 10. But (which becometh women professing godliness)
- with good works.
- 11. Let the woman learn in
- silence with all subjection.
- 12. **But i suffer not a woman** to teach, nor
- to usurp authority over the man, but to be in silence.
- 13. For Adam was first
- formed, then Eve.
- 14. And Adam was notdeceived, but the woman

being deceived was in the transgression.

15. Notwithstanding she shall be

saved in childbearing, if they continue in faith and charity and holiness with sobriety.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. This is a true saying,
- If a man desire the office of a bishop, he desireth a
- good work.
- 2. A bishop then must be
- blameless, the husband of one wife, vigilant, sober, of good behaviour, given to hospitality, apt to teach:
 - 3. Not given to wine, no striker, not greedy of filthy lucre; but patient, not a brawler, not covetous;
 - One that ruleth well his own house, having his children in subjection with all gravity;
 - 5. (For if a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?)
 - 6. Not a novice, lest being lifted up with pride he fall into the condemnation of the devil.
- 7. Moreover he must have a good report of them which are without; lest he fall into
- are without; lest he fall into reproach and the snare of the devil.
 8. Likewise must the
- deacons be grave, not
 double-tongued, not given to much wine, not greedy of filthy lucre;
 - 9. Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.
- 10. And let these also first be proved; then let them use
 - the office of a deacon, being found blameless.
- 11. Even so must their wives
 be grave, not slanderers,
 sober, faithful in all things.
- 12. Let the deacons be the husbands of one wife.

ruling their children and their own houses well.

- 13. For they that have used the office of a deacon well
- **purchase** to themselves
- a good degree,

and great boldness in the faith which is in Christ Jesus.

- 14. These things write I unto thee, hoping to come unto thee shortly:
- 15. But if I tarry long, that
- thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave
 - thyself
- in the house of God, which is the church of the living God,

the pillar and ground of the truth.

- 16. And without controversy
- great is the mystery of godliness: God was
- manifest in the flesh,
- justified in the Spirit, seen
- of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in
- the world, received up
- into glory.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. Now the Spirit speaketh expressly.
- that in the latter times some
- shall depart from the faith,
- giving heed to seducing
 - spirits, and doctrines of devils;
- 2. Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their

conscience seared with a hot iron;

- 3. Forbidding to marry, and
- commanding to abstain
- from meats, which God
- hath created to be
- received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know
- the truth.

 4. For every creature of God
 is good, and nothing to be
 refused. if it be received
 - with thanksgiving:
- 5. For it is sanctified by the word of God and prayer.
- 6. If thou put the brethren in
- remembrance of these
- things, thou shalt be a good minister
 - of Jesus Christ, nourished up in the words of faith and of good doctrine, whereunto thou hast attained.
- 7. **But refuse** profane and
- old wives' fables, and
- exercise thyself rather
- unto godliness.

- 8. For bodily exercise profiteth little: but godliness is profitable unto all things, having promise of the life that now is, and of that which is to come.
 - 9. This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptation.
 - 10. For therefore
- We both
 - labour and suffer reproach.
- because we trust in the living
 God, who is the Saviour of all
- men, specially of those that believe.

 11. These things command
 and teach.
- 12. Let no man despise thy
- youth; but be thou an
 example of the believers, in word, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity.
- 13. Till I come, give attendance to reading, to
- exhortation, to doctrine.

 14. Neglect not the gift
- that is in thee, which was given thee by prophecy,
- with the laying on of the
- hands of the presbytery.

 15. Meditate upon these
- things; give thyself wholly to them; that thy profiting may appear to all.
- 16. Take heed unto thyself,
- and unto
- the doctrine; continue in them: for in doing this thou shalt both save thyself, and them that hear thee.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. Rebuke not an elder, but
- entreat him as a father; and the younger men
- as brethren;
- 2. The elder women asmothers; the younger as
 - sisters, with all purity.
 - 3. Honour widows
 - that are widows indeed.
- But if any widow have
- children or nephews,
- let them learn

- first to shew piety at home, and to requite their parents: for that is good and acceptable before God.
- 5. Now she that is a widow indeed.
- and desolate, trusteth in God, and continueth in
- supplications and prayers
- 6. But she that liveth in pleasure is dead

while she liveth.

- 7. And these things give in charge, that they may be blameless.
- 8. But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house.
- he hath denied the faith, and
- is worse than an infidel.
- 9. Let not a widow be taken
- into the number under threescore years old, having
 - been the wife of one man,

 10. Well reported of for good works; if she have brought up children, if she have lodged strangers, if she have washed the saints' feet, if she have relieved the afflicted, if she have
- have relieved the afflicted, if she have diligently followed every good work.

 11. But the younger widows refuse: for when they have begun
- to wax wanton against Christ, they will marry;
 - 12. Having damnation, because they have cast off their first faith.
- 13. And withal they learn to

be idle, wandering about from house to house:

- and not only idle, but
- tattlers also and
- **busybodies,** speaking things which they ought not.
- 14.1 will therefore that the younger women marry,

bear children, guide the house, give none occasion to the adversary to speak reproachfully.

- 15. For some are already turned aside after Satan.
- 16. If any man or woman that believeth
 - have widows, let them

- relieve them, and let not the church be charged; that it may relieve them that are widows indeed.
- 17. Let the elders that rule well be counted worthy of
- double honour, especially they who labour in the word and doctrine.
 18. For the scripture saith, Thou shalt not muzzle the ox that treadeth out the corn. And. The labourer is worthy
 - 19. Against an elder receive
- not an accusation,
- but before two or
- three witnesses.
- 20. Them that sin rebuke
 - before all,

of his reward

that others also may fear.

- 21. I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels,
- that thou observe these things without preferring one before another.

doing nothing by partiality.

- 22. Lay hands suddenly on
 - **no man**, neither be partaker of other men's sins:
- keep thyself pure.
- 23. Drink no longer water,
- **but** use a little
- wine for thy stomach's
- **Sake** and thine often infirmities.
- 24. Some men's sins are
- Open beforehand, goingbefore to judament: a
 - before to judgment; and
- some men they
- follow after.
- 25. Likewise also the good
- **Works** of some are manifest beforehand; and they that are otherwise cannot be hid.

CHAPTER 6

- I 1. Let as many
- **servants** as are under the voke
- count their own masters
- worthy of all honour,

that the name of God and *his* doctrine be not blasphemed.

- 2. And they that have believing masters,
- let them not despise them,

because they are brethren; but rather do them service, because they are faithful and beloved, partakers of the benefit. These things teach and exhort.

3. If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to

wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness:

4. He is proud, knowing

nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words. whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings.

Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness:

from such withdraw thyself.

6. But godliness with

contentment is great gain. 7. For we brought nothing

into this world, and it is certain we can carry

nothing out.

8. And having food and

raiment let us be therewith content.

9. But they that will be rich

fall into temptation and a snare.

and into many

foolish and hurtful

lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

10. For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced them-

selves through with many sorrows. 11. But thou, O man of God, ■ | flee these things; and

■ follow after righteousness.

godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness.

12. Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on efernal

life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses.

13. I give thee charge

in the sight of God, who quickeneth all things, and before Christ Jesus, who before Pontius Pilate witnessed a good confession:

14. That thou keep this commandment without spot, unrebukable.

until the appearing of our

Lord Jesus Christ:

15. Which in his times he shall shew. who is the blessed and

only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords:

16. Who only hath

immortality, dwelling in the

light which no man can

approach unto:

whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and

power everlasting. Amen.

17. Charge them that are rich in this world,

that they be not

highminded, nor trust in uncertain

riches, but in the living

God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy:

18. That they do good, that they be rich in good works.

ready to distribute,

willing to communicate;

19. Laying up in store

for themselves a good foundation

against the time to come,

that they may lay hold on

eternal life.

20. O Timothy, keep that

committed to thy trust. avoiding profane and vain

babblings, and

oppositions of science falsely so called:

> 21. Which some professing have erred concerning the faith. Grace be with thee.

Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE TO TIMOTHY

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Paul, an Apostle.

Date Written – probably

between 64 and 65 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 83
Chapters - 4
Total Words - 1,703
Scan Words - 782
Scan Words represent 45 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to challenge a young minister to hold fast to the truths of the Gospel.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Paul Gives Thanks for Timothy, Exhorts Him to Endurance, and Offers Advice on Personal Conduct and Relationships. Chapters 1—2
- II. Paul Speaks of the Coming Apostasy and the Reliability of the Scriptures.
 Chapter 3
- III. Paul Charges Timothy to Preach and Paul Presents his Own Last Testament. Chapter 4

CHAPTER 1

- I 1. Paul. an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, according to the promise of life which is in Christ Jesus.
- 2. To Timothy, my dearly beloved son: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and Christ Jesus our Lord.
 - 3. I thank God, whom I serve from my forefathers with pure conscience, that without ceasing I have remembrance of thee in my prayers night and day:
 - 4. Greatly desiring to see thee, being mindful of thy tears, that I may be filled with joy:
 - 5. When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois. and thy mother Eunice: and I am persuaded that in thee also.
 - 6. Wherefore I put thee in remembrance that thou
- stir up the gift of God, which is
- in thee by the putting on of my hands.
- 7. For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of
- power, and of
- love, and of a sound mind.
- 8. Be not thou therefore
- ashamed of the testimony
- of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner:
- but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God:
- 9. Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling,
- not according to our
- works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was
- given us in Christ Jesus before the world began.
- 10. But is now made manifest by

the appearing of our Saviour Jesus

- Christ, who hath
- abolished death, and hath

- brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:
 - 11. Whereunto
- I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a
 - teacher of the Gentiles.
 - 12 For the
- which cause I also
- suffer these things:
- nevertheless I am not ashamed: for I know whom
- I have believed, and am
- persuaded that he is able to keep that which I have
- committed unto him against that day.
- 13. Hold fast the form of
 - sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus.
- 14. That good thing which was committed unto thee keep by the Holy Ghost which dwelleth in us.
- 15. This thou knowest, that all they which are
- in Asia be turned away
- from me; of whom are Phygellus and Hermogenes.
- 16. The Lord give mercy unto the house of Onesiphorus: for he off refreshed me,
 - and was not ashamed of my chain:
 - 17. But, when he was in Rome, he sought me out very diligently, and found me.
 - 18. The Lord grant unto him that he may find mercy of the Lord in that day: and in how many things he ministered unto me at Ephesus, thou knowest very well.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. Thou therefore, my son,
- be strong in the
- grace that is in Christ Jesus.
- 2. And the things that thou hast
- heard of me among many
- witnesses, the same
- commit thou to faithful men. who shall be able to teach others also.
 - 3. Thou therefore

- endure hardness, as a
 good soldier of Jesus Christ.
 4. No man that warreth
- entangleth himself with the affairs of *this* life:
 - that he may please him who hath chosen him to be a soldier.

chosen him to be a soldier.

5. And if a man also strive for masteries, yet is he not

- for masteries, yer is ne not
 crowned, except he
 strive lawfully.
 6 The husbandman that laboureth
 - must be first partaker of the fruits.
 7. Consider what I say: and
- 7. Consider what I say; and the Lord give thee
- understanding in all things.

 8. Remember that Jesus
 - Christ of the seed of David was raised from the dead

according to my gospel:

- 9. Wherein I suffer trouble, as an evildoer,
- even unto bonds; but the word of God
- is not bound.

- 10. Therefore I endure all things
- for the elect's sakes, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
 11. It is a faithful saving:
- For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:

 12. If we suffer, we shall
- 12. If we suffer, we shall also reign with *him:* if we
- deny him, he also
- | will deny us:

13. If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.
14. Of these things put them in remembrance, charging them before the Lord that they strive not about words to no profit, but to the subverting of the hearers.

■ 15. Study to shew thyself approved unto God,

a workman that needeth not to be ashamed,

- rightly dividing the word of truth.
- 16. But shun profane and vain babblings: for they will increase unto more ungodliness.

- 17. And their word will eat as doth a
- canker: of whom is
- Hymenaeus and Philetus:
- 18. Who concerning the truth have erred, saving that the
- resurrection is past
- already; and overthrow the faith of some.
- 19. Nevertheless the
 - | foundation of God | standeth sure, having this
- seal, The Lord knoweth
 them that are his. And Let
 - every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.
- 20. But in a great housethere are not only vessels
- of gold and of
- silver, but also
 of wood and of
- earth; and some to honour,
 and some to dishonour.
 - 21. If a man therefore purge himself from these, he shall be a vessel unto honour, sanctified, and meet for the master's use, and prepared unto every good work.
- 22. Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that
- call on the Lord out of a pure heart.

 23. **But foolish and**
- 23. But foolish andunlearned questions
- avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes.
- 24. And the servant of theLord must not strive; but
 - be gentle unto all *men*, apt to teach, patient,
- 25. In meekness instructingthose that oppose
- themselves; if God
- peradventure
- will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth; 26. And that they may recover themselves out of the snare of the

themselves out of the snare of the devil, who are taken captive by him at his will.

CHAPTER 3

■ 1. This know also, that in the

- |■| last days perilous times |■| shall come.
- 2. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous,
- boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to
- parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 3. Without natural affection,
 trucebreakers, false
 accusers, incontinent,
 fierce, despisers of those
- that are good,
- 4. Traitors, heady,
- highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- 5. Having a form of
 godliness, but denying the
 power thereof: from such
 turn away.
- 6. **For** of
- this sort are they which creep into houses, and
- lead captive silly women laden with sins.

led away with divers lusts,

- 7 Ever learning, and neverable to come to
 - the knowledge of
- the truth.
 - 8. Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
- 9. But they shall proceed no further: for their folly shall
 be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.
- 10. But thou hast fully known my doctrine.
- manner of life, purpose,
- faith, longsuffering, charity, patience,
- 11. Persecutions, afflictions,
- which came unto me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra; what persecutions
- I endured: but out of them all the Lord delivered me.
- 12. Yea, and all that will live godly in Christ Jesus
- shall suffer persecution.
- 13. **But evil men** and seducers
 - shall wax worse and worse,

- deceiving, and being deceived.
- 14. **But continue** thou
- in the things which thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom
- thou hast learned them;
- from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures.
- | which are able to
- make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.
- 16. All scripture is given by
- inspiration of God, and is
 profitable for doctrine, for
 reproof, for correction, for
- instruction in
- righteousness:
- 17. That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furn
 - ished unto all good works.

CHAPTER 4

- I. I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom;
- 2. Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke,
- exhort with all
- longsuffering and doctrine.
- 3. For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;
- 4. And they shall turn away their ears
- from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.
- 5. But watch thou in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, make full proof of thy ministry.
- 6. For I am now ready to be offered, and the time of my
 - departure is at hand.
- 7. I have fought a good fight,
 I have finished my course,
 - I have kept the faith:
 - 8. Henceforth there is laid.

- up for me a crown of righteousness, which the
- Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day:
- and not to me only, but
- unto all them also
- that love his appearing.

 9. Do thy diligence to
- come shortly unto me:
- forsaken me, having loved this present world, and is departed unto Thessalonica; Crescens to Galatia, Titus unto Dalmatia.
- 11. Only Luke is with me.
 Take Mark, and bring him
 with thee: for he is profitable to me
 - 12. And Tychicus have I sent to Ephesus.

for the ministry.

- 13. The cloak that I left at Troas with Carpus, when thou comest, bring with thee, and the books, but especially the parchments.
- 14. Alexander the coppersmith did me much evil: the Lord reward him according to his works:
- 15. Of whom be thou ware also; for he

- hath greatly withstood our words.
- 16. At my first answer no man stood with me, but all men forsook me: I pray God that it may not be laid to their charge.
- 17. Notwithstanding the Lord stood with me, and strengthened me:
- that by me the preaching might be fully known, and that all
- the Gentiles might hear: and I was delivered out of the mouth of the lion.
- 18. And the Lord shall
 deliver me from every evil
 - Work, and will preserve me unto his heavenly kingdom: to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.
 - 19. Salute Prisca and Aquila, and the household of Onesiphorus.
 - Erastus abode at Corinth: but Trophimus have I left at Miletum sick.
 Do thy diligence to come before winter. Eubulus greeteth thee, and Pudens, and Linus, and Claudia, and all the brethren
 - 22. The Lord Jesus Christ be with thy spirit. Grace be with you.

■ I Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO TITUS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Paul, an Apostle. Date Written – probably between 62 and 65 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 46
Chapters - 3
Total Words - 921
Scan Words - 466
Scan Words represent 50 % of Total Words.

Theme – written
to instruct a young
minister in the proper
conduct and role of
believers in the Church.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- I. Paul Presents
 the Qualifications of
 Elders and Bishops
 and Warns Against
 False Teachers.
 Chapter 1
- II. Paul Describes

 Domestic Regulations
 and the Christian Life.
 Chapter 2
- III. Paul Tells Timothy the Bases of Christian Ethics and Advises Him on How to Discipline Factious Men. Chapter 3

CHAPTER 1

- 1. Paul, a servant of God, and
 an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;
- 2. In hope of eternal life, which God, that cannot lie,
- promised before the world began;
 - But hath in due times manifested his word through preaching, which is committed unto me according to the commandment of God our Saviour;
- 4. To Titus, *mine* own son after the common
- foith: Grace, mercy, and peace, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ our Saviour.
- 5. For this cause left I thee in Crete, that thou shouldest set in order the things that are wanting, and ordain elders in every city, as I had appointed thee:
 - If any be blameless, the husband of one wife, having faithful children not accused of riot or unruly.
- 7. For a bishop mustbe blameless,

as the steward of God;

- not selfwilled, not soon
 angry, not given to wine,
 no striker, not given to filthy lucre;
- 8. But a lover of hospitality, a lover
- of good men, sober, just, holy, temperate;
- 9. Holding fast the faithfulword as he hath been taught,
- that he may be able by
- sound doctrine both to exhort and to convince the
- gainsayers.

 10. For there are many
- unruly and
- vain talkers and deceivers, specially they of the circumcision:
- 11. Whose mouths must be stopped, who subvert whole houses, teaching things which they ought not, for fithy

lucre's sake

- 12. **One of** themselves, *even* a prophet of
- their own, said, The
 Cretians are alway liars,
 evil beasts, slow bellies.
- 13. This witness is true.
- Wherefore rebuke them
- sharply, that they may be sound in the faith;
- 14. Not giving heed to
 - Jewish fables, and commandments of men, that turn from the truth.
- 15. Unto the pure all things
 are pure: but unto them that
- are defiled and unbelieving
- is nothing pure; but even their mind and conscience is defiled.
- 16. They profess that they
- know God; but in works
- they deny him, being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

CHAPTER 2

- 1. But speak thou thethings which become
- sound doctrine:
- 2. That the aged men be
- sober, grave, temperate,sound in faith, in charity,
- in patience.
- 3. The aged women
- likewise, that they be in behaviour as becometh holiness, not false accusers, not given to much wine, teachers of good things;
- 4. That they may teach the
 young women to be sober,
 to love their husbands, to
- love their children,
- 5. *To be* discreet, chaste,
- keepers at home, good,
- obedient to their own
- husbands, that the word of God be not blasphemed.
- 6. Young men likewise exhort to be
- sober minded.
- 7. In all things shewing thyself a pattern of
- good works: in doctrine

■ shewing uncorruptness,
■ gravity, sincerity,
■ 8 Sound speech, that

cannot be condemned;

that he that is of the contrary part may be ashamed, having no evil thing to say of you.

 9. Exhort servants to be
 obedient unto their own masters, and to please them well in all things; not answering again;

■ 10. Not purloining, but

■ shewing all good

fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things.

11. For the grace of God that
bringeth salvation hath
appeared to all men,
12. Teaching us that,

denying ungodliness

■ and worldly

lusts, we should live soberly, righteously.

and godly, in this present

■ world; ■ 13. Looking for

that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and

■ our Saviour Jesus Christ;

14. Who gave himself for us,

that he might redeem us
 from all iniquity, and purify
 unto himself

a peculiar people, zealousof good works.

15. These things speak, and exhort, and rebuke

with all authority. Let no

■ man despise thee.

CHAPTER 3

1. Put them in mind to be
 subject to principalities
 and powers.

■ to obey magistrates, to be ready to every good work,

2. To speak evil of no man, to be no brawlers, but gentle, shewing all meekness unto all men.

3. For we ourselves also were sometimes foolish.

disobedient, deceived,
serving divers lusts
and pleasures, living in malice
and envy, hateful.

and hating one another.

4. But after that

■ the kindness and

love of God our Saviour toward man

appeared,

■ 5. Not by works of

righteousness which we have done, but according to his mercy he saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the Holy Ghost;

6. Which he shed on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Saviour;

7. That being justified by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

This is a faithful saying, and these things I will that thou affirm constantly.

that they which have believed in God might be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and

profitable unto men.

9. But avoid foolish

9. But avoid foolish questions, and genealogies, and
contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and vain.

10. A man that is an heretic after the first and second admonition reject:

11. Knowing that he that is such is subverted, and sinneth, being condemned of himself.

12. When I shall send Artemas unto thee, or Tychicus, be diligent to come unto me to Nicopolis: for I have determined there to winter.

13. Bring Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that nothing be wanting unto them.

14. And let ours also learn to maintain good works for necessary uses, that they be not unfruitful.

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- I■I 15. All that are with me salute thee. Greet them that love us in the faith. Grace be with you all.

 Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO PHILEMON

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Paul, an Apostle.

Date Written - probably

between 60 and 65 A.D.

Number of: Verses - 25 Chapters - 1 Total Words - 445 Scan Words -214 Scan Words represent 48 % of Total Words

Theme – written to show that relationships between people take on a new dimension when they become Christians.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Paul's Greeting to Philemon.
 Verses 1—3
- II. Paul's Offer of Thanksgiving.
 Verses 4—7
- III. Paul's Appeal for Onesimus, a Slave. Verses 8—21
- IV. Paul's Conclusion.
 Verses 22—25

CHAPTER 1

- 1. Paul, a prisoner of Jesus Christ, and Timothy our brother.
- beloved, and fellow-labourer,
 2. And to our beloved Apphia, and
 Archippus our fellow-soldier, and to
 the church in thy house:
 - 3. Grace to you, and peace, from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.
- 4. I thank my God, making mention of thee always in my prayers,
- 5. Hearing of thy love and
 faith, which thou hast
 toward the Lord Jesus, and
 - 6. That the communication of thy faith may become effectual by the acknowledging of every good thing which is in you in Christ Jesus.
- 7. For we have great joy and consolation in thy love.
- because the bowels of

toward all saints:

- the saints are refreshed by thee, brother.
- 8. Wherefore, though I might be much
- **bold in Christ** to enjoin thee that which is convenient,
- 9. Yet for love's sake I rather beseech thee, being such an one as
- Paul the aged, and now also a prisoner of Jesus Christ.
- 10. I beseech thee for my son Onesimus.
- whom I have
- | whom i have ■ | begotten in
- my bonds:
- 11. Which in time past was
 to thee unprofitable, but
 now profitable to thee
- and to me:
- 12. Whom I have sent again:
 thou therefore receive him,
 that is, mine own bowels:
 - 13. Whom I would have

retained

- with me, that in thy stead he might have ministered unto me in the bonds of the gospel:
- 14. But without thy mind would I do nothing; that thy benefit should not be as it were of necessity, but willingly.
- 15. For perhaps he therefore departed for a season,
 that thou shouldest
- receive him for ever;
- 16. Not now as a servant,
 but above a servant.
- a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?
- 17. If thou count me therefore
 a partner, receive him
 as myself.
- 18. If he hath wronged thee, or oweth *thee* aught,
- put that on mine account;
 19. I Paul have written it
- with mine own hand,

 I will repay if: albeit I do not say
- to thee how thou owest unto me even thine own self-
- 20. Yea, brother, let me have joy of thee in the Lord: refresh my bowels in the Lord.
- 21. Having confidence in thy obedience I wrote unto thee,
- knowing that thou wilt also do more than I say.
 - 22. But withal
- prepare me also a lodging:
 for I trust that through your
 prayers I shall be given
 unto you.
 - 23. There salute thee Epaphras, my fellow-prisoner in Christ Jesus;
 - 24. Marcus, Aristarchus, Demas, Lucas, my fellow-labourers.
 - 25. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit.
 - ıl Amen.

THE EPISTLE TO THE HEBREWS

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Unknown Date Written - probably between 65 and 85 A.D.

Number of:

Versus - 303 Chapters - 13 Total Words - 6,913 Scan Words - 3,493 Scan Words represent 50 % of Total Words

Theme – written to encourage believers, especially Jewish believers, to endure persecution and remain faithful to the Lord, showing the superiority of Jesus Christ.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Christ as Superior to Angels.
 Chapters 1—2
- II. Christ as Superior to Moses and Joshua. Chapters 3—4
- III. Christ's Superiority as the High Priest. Chapters 5—10:18
- IV. Christ and the Superiority of the New Covenant Chapters 10:19—13

CHAPTER 1

- 1. God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets.
- 2. Hath in these last days

spoken unto us

by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all

things, by whom also he made the worlds:

3. Who being

the brightness of his glory, and

the express

image of his person,

and upholding all things by the word of his power.

when he had by himself

purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the

Majesty on high;

4. Being made so much

better than the

angels, as

he hath by inheritance

obtained a more

excellent name than they.

5. For unto which of the angels said he at any time,

Thou art my Son, this day

have I begotten thee? And again, I will be to him a Father. and he shall be to me a Son?

6. And again, when he bringeth in the first begotten into the world,

he saith, And

let all the angels of God

worship him.

7. And of the angels he saith, Who maketh his

angels spirits.

and his ministers a flame of fire.

8. But unto the Son he saith,

Thy throne, O God.

is for ever

> and ever: a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy kingdom.

9. Thou hast loved righteousness. and hated iniquity;

therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

10. **And, Thou,** Lord, in the beginning

hast laid the foundation of the earth: and the heavens

are the works

of thine hands:

11. They shall perish;

> but thou remainest; and they all shall wax old as doth a garment:

12. And as a vesture shall thou fold them up, and they shall be changed:

but thou art the same, and thy years shall not fail.

13. But to which of the

angels said he at any time,

Sit on my right hand.

until I make thine enemies

thy footstool?

Are they not all ministering spirits. sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation?

CHAPTER 2

1. Therefore we ought to

aive the more

earnest heed to the things which we have

heard, lest at any time

we should let them slip.

2. For if the word spoken by

angels was stedfast, and every transgression

and disobedience

received a just

. recompence of reward:

3. How shall we escape, if

we neglect so great

salvation: which at the first began to be

spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed unto us by

them that heard him:

4. God also bearing them

witness, both

with signs and

wonders, and with divers

miracles, and gifts of the Holy Ghost,

according to his own will?

5. For unto the angels hath he not put in subjection the world to come, whereof we speak.

6. But one in a certain place

testified, saving,

What is man,

that thou art mindful of him?

or the son of man. that thou visitest him?

- 7. Thou madest him a little
- lower than the angels: thou crownedst him with glory and honour,
 - and didst
- set him over the works of thy hands:
- 8. Thou hast put all things in subjection
- under his feet.

For in that he put all in subjection under him, he left nothing that is not put under him.

- But now
- we see not vet all things put under him.
- 9. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the
- angels for the suffering of death.

crowned with glory and honour:

- that he by the
- grace of God

- should taste death for every man.
 - 10. For it became him,

for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory,

- to make the captain of their salvation perfect
- through sufferings.
- 11. For both he
- that sanctifieth
- and they who are
- sanctified are all of
- one: for which cause
- he is not ashamed to
- call them brethren.
 - 12. Saying, I will declare thy name unto my brethren. in the midst of the church will I sing praise unto thee.
 - 13. And again, I will put my trust in him. And again, Behold I and the children which God hath given me.
- 14. Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of
- | flesh and blood, he also

himself likewise

- took part of the same;
- that through death he might
- destroy him that had

the power of death, that is,

- the devil:
- 15 And deliver them who through fear of death
- Were all their lifetime subject to bondage.
 - 16. For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham.
 - 17. Wherefore in all things
- it behaved him to be made
- like unto *his* brethren, that
 - he miaht be a

merciful and faithful

- high priest
 - in things pertaining to God.
- to make reconciliation for the sins of the people.
 - 18. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Wherefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling,
- consider the Apostle and High Priest of our profession.
- Christ Jesus:
 - 2. Who was faithful to him that appointed him, as also

Moses was faithful in all his house.

- 3. For this man was counted
- worthy of more glory than Moses, inasmuch as
- he who hath builded the
- house hath more honour
- than the house.
 - 4. For every house is builded by some man; but
- he that built all things
- is God.
- 5. And Moses verily
- was faithful in all his house,
- as a servant,

for a testimony of those things which were to be spoken after;

- 6. But Christ as a son
 - over his own house:

- whose house are we, if we hold fast the confidence and the rejoicing of the hope firm
- unto the end.
- 7. Wherefore (as the Holy
 Ghost saith, To-day if ye
 will hear his voice,
 - 8. Harden not your hearts,
 - as in the provocation, in the day of temptation in the wilderness:
 - 9. When your fathers tempted me, proved me, and saw my works forty years.
 - 10. Wherefore I was grieved with that generation, and said, They do alway err in *their* heart; and they have not known my ways.
 - 11. So I sware in my wrath, They shall not enter into my rest.)
- 12. Take heed, brethren, ■ lest there be

in any of you an evil heart of **unbelief**, in departing

from the living God.

- 13. **But exhort one another** daily, while it is called To-day;
- lest any of you
- be hardened through the deceitfulness of sin.
- 14. For we are made
- partakers of Christ, if we
- **hold** the beginning of our confidence
- stedfast unto the end;
 - 15. While it is said,
- To-day if ye will
- hear his voice, harden not your hearts.
 - as in the provocation.
- 16. For some, when they had heard, did provoke:
- howbeit not all that
- came out of Egypt by Moses.
- 17. But with whom was he grieved forty years? was it not with them that had sinned.
- whose carcases fell in the wilderness?
 - 18. And to whom sware he that they should not enter into his rest, but to them that believed not?
 - 19. So we see that
 - they could not enter in

|■| because of unbelief.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. Let us therefore fear, lest, a promise being left us of
- entering into his rest, any
 - of you should seem to
 - come short of it.
- 2. For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but
- the word preached
- did not profit them, not being mixed with faith
 - in them that heard it.
- 3. For we which have
- believed do enter into rest,

as he said, As I have sworn in my wrath, if they shall enter into my rest:

- although the works werefinished from the
- foundation of the world.
- 4. **FOr** he spake in a certain place of the seventh *day* on this wise, And
- God did rest the seventh day from all his works.
 - 5. And in this *place* again, If they shall enter into my rest.
- 6. Seeing therefore it remaineth that some

must enter therein, and they

- to whom it was first preached entered not in
- | because of unbelief:
- 7. Again, he limiteth a certain day,
 saying in David, To-day, after
 so long a time; as it is said,
- To-day if ye will hear his voice, harden
- not your hearts.
- 8. For if Jesus had given
 them rest, then would he
 not afterward have spoken
 - of another day.

- 9. There remaineth thereforea rest to the people of God.
 - 10. For he that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God *did* from his.
- 11. Let us labour therefore to enter into that rest.
 - lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief.
 - 12 For the word of God is

quick, and powerful, and sharper than any two edged

sword, piercing

even to the dividing asunder of soul and spirit.

and of the joints and marrow.

and is a discerner of the thoughts and intents

of the heart.

13. Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight; but all things *are* naked and

opened unto the eyes of

him with whom we have to do.

14. Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens.

Jesus the Son of God.

let us hold fast

our profession. 15. For we have not

an high priest which

cannot be touched

with the feeling of

our infirmities; but was in all points

tempted like

as we are, yet without sin.

16. Let us therefore come

■ | boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain

mercy, and find grace to

help in time of need.

CHAPTER 5

■ 1. For every high priest taken from among men

is ordained

for men in things pertaining to God,

that he may offer

both gifts and

sacrifices for sins:

2. Who can have

compassion

on the ignorant, and

on them that are out of the

way; for that he himself

also is compassed

with infirmity.

3. And by reason hereof he ought, as for the people, so also for himself, to offer for sins.

And no man taketh this

honour unto himself.

but he that is called of God.

as was Aaron.

5. So also Christ glorified not himself to be made an high priest; but he that said unto him, Thou art my Son, to-day have I begotten thee.

As he saith also in another place.

Thou *art* a priest for ever after the order

of Melchisedec.

Who in the days of his flesh, when he had

offered up prayers

and supplications

with strong crying and

tears unto him that was able to save

him from death.

and was heard in that he feared:

8. Though he were a Son, yet learned he

obedience by the things which he suffered;

And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation

unto all them that obey him; 10. Called of God an high priest after the order of Melchisedec.

11. Of whom we have many things to say, and hard to be uttered, seeing ye are dull of hearing.

12. For when for the time

ve ought to be teachers. ye have need that one

teach you again which be the first principles of the

oracles of God: and are become such as

have need of milk.

and not of strong meat.

13. For every one that

useth milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness: for he

is a babe.

But strong meat belongeth to them that are

of full age, even those who

by reason of use have their senses exercised to ■ discern both good ■ and evil.

CHAPTER 6

- 1. Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ.
- let us go on unto
- perfection; not laying again the foundation of
- repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God
- - 2. Of the doctrine of
- baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of
- resurrection of the dead.
- and of eternal iudament
 - 3. And this will we do, if God permit.
- 4. For it is impossible for
 - those who were once enlightened, and have
- tasted of the heavenly aift. and were made partakers
- of the Holy Ghost.
- And have tasted the good word of God.
- and the powers of the world to come,
- 6. If they shall fall away, to renew them again
- unto repentance: seeina
- they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh.
 - and put him to an open shame.
 - 7. For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:
 - 8. But that which beareth thorns and briers is rejected, and is nigh unto cursing; whose end is to be burned.
- 9. But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you.

and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak.

- 10. For God is not ■ unrighteous to forget
- **VOU** work and
- labour of love, which ye

- have shewed toward his name. in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister.
- 11. And we desire that
- every one of you do shew the same diligence
 - to the full assurance of hope unto the end:
 - 12. That ve
 - be not slothful, but

followers of them who

- through faith and patience inherit the promises.
- 13. For when God made promise to Abraham.
- because he could

swear by no greater.

- he sware by himself,
- 14. Saying, Surely blessing
- I will bless thee.
- and multiplying I will multiply thee. 15. And so, after he had
- patiently endured,
- **he obtained** the promise.
 - 16. For men verily swear by the greater: and an oath for confirmation is to them an end of all strife.
- 17. Wherein God. willing more abundantly
- to shew unto the heirs of promise
- the immutability of his
- counsel, confirmed it by an oath:
 - That by two immutable things,
- in which *it was* impossible
- for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the hope set before us:
- 19. Which hope we have
- as an anchor of the soul. both sure and stedfast, and
- which entereth into that within
- the veil:
- 20. Whither the forerunner is for us entered, even
- Jesus, made an high
- priest for ever after the
- order of Melchisedec.

CHAPTER 7

■ 1 1. For this Melchisedec. king of Salem, priest of the

most high God, who
met Abraham returning
from the slaughter of the kings,
and blessed him;
2. To whom also Abraham
gave a tenth part of all; first
being by interpretation
King of righteousness,

and after that also King of Salem, which is, King of peace;

■ 3. Without father,

without mother, without descent,

having neither beginning of days.

nor end of life; but made

like unto the Son of God;

priest continually.

4. Now consider how great this man *was*, unto whom

even the patriarch

Abraham gave the tenth of the spoils.

5. And verily they that are of

the sons of Levi, who receive the office of the priesthood,

have a commandment to take tithes of the people

according to the law, that is,

of their brethren, though they come out of the loins of Abraham:

6 But he whose descent is

6. But he whose descent is not counted from them

■ received tithes of

Abraham, and blessed him that had the promises.

7. And without all contradiction

the less is blessed of the better.

8. And here men that die receive tithes; but there he *receiveth them*, of whom it is witnessed that he liveth. 9. And as I may so say,

Levi also, who receiveth
 tithes, payed tithes
 in Abraham.

10. For he was yet in the loins of his father, when Melchisedec met him.

■ 11. If therefore

perfection were by the Levitical priesthood, (for under it the people received the law.)

what further

need was there that
another priest should rise
after the order of

■ Melchisedec, and not be called after the order of Aaron?

12. For the priesthood being changed, there is made of necessity a change also of the law.

■ 13. For he of whom these things are spoken

pertaineth to another tribe, of which no man gave

attendance at the altar.

■ 14. For it is evident that

our Lord sprang out ofJuda; of which tribe

Moses spake nothingconcerning priesthood.

15. **And** it is yet

far more evident: for that after the similitude of

Melchisedec there
ariseth another priest.

16. Who is made, not

of a carnal commandment,
 but after the power of an
 endless life.

17. For he testifieth, Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec.

18. For there is verily a disannulling of the commandment going before for the weakness and unprofitableness thereof.

19. For the law made nothing perfect, but

the bringing in of

a better hope *did;* by the which we draw nigh

■ unto God.

20. And inasmuch as

not without an oathhe was made priest:

21. (For those priests were made without an oath; but this with an oath by him that said unto him,

The Lord sware and will not repent.

Thou art a priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec:)

22. By so much was

Jesus made a surety of a better testament.

23. And they truly were many priests, because they were not suffered to continue by reason of death:

24. But this man. because he continueth ever.

- hath an unchangeable priesthood.
- 25. Wherefore he is able also to save them

to the uttermost

- that come unto God by him.
- seeing he ever liveth to
- make intercession for them. 26. For such an high priest
- became us. who is holv.
- harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners.
- and made
- higher than the heavens:
 - 27. Who needeth not daily. as those high priests.
- to offer up sacrifice, first
- for his own sins, and then for the people's: for this he did
- once, when he offered up himself.
 - 28. For the law maketh men high priests which have infirmity; but the word of the oath, which was since the law, maketh the Son, who is consecrated for evermore

CHAPTER 8

- 1. Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum:
- We have such
- an high priest, who is
- set on the right hand of the
 - throne of the Majesty in the heavens:
- 2. A minister of
- the sanctuary, and of
- the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched.
- and not man.
 - 3. For every high priest is ordained to offer gifts and sacrifices: wherefore it is of necessity that this man have somewhat also to offer.
 - 4. For if he were on earth, he

- should not be a priest. seeing that there are **Driests** that offer gifts
- according to the law:
- 5. Who serve unto the
- example and shadow
- of heavenly things, as Moses was admonished of
- God when he was

about to make the tabernacle:

- for, See, saith he, that thou make all things
- according to the pattern
- shewed to thee
- in the mount.
- 6. But now hath he obtained a more excellent ministry.
 - by how much
- also he is the mediator of a better covenant, which was
 - established upon better promises.
- 7. For if that first covenant had been faultless, then should no place have been
- sought for the second.
- 8. For finding fault with them, he saith. Behold.
- = the days come, saith the Lord,
- when I will make a new covenant with the house of
- Israel and with the house of Judah:
 - Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day when I took them by the hand to lead them out of the land of Egypt; because they continued not in my covenant, and I regarded them not,
- 10. For this is the covenant that I will make

with the house of Israel after those days, saith the Lord:

- I will put my laws into their mind, and write them in
- their hearts: and I will be to them a God, and they shall
- be to me a people:

saith the Lord.

- 11. And they shall not teach every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for all shall know me, from the
- least to the greatest.

- 12 For I will be merciful to their unrighteousness.
- and their sins and their
- iniquities will I remember
- no more.

13. In that he saith. A new covenant. he hath made the first old. Now that which decayeth and waxeth old is ready to vanish away.

CHAPTER 9

- 1. Then verily the first
- covenant had
 - also ordinances

of divine service.

- and a worldly sanctuary.
- 2 For there was a
- tabernacle made: the first. wherein was the candlestick, and the table, and the shewbread:
 - which is called
- the sanctuary.
- 3. And after the
- second veil, the

tabernacle which is called the

- Holiest of all:
- 4. Which had

the golden censer, and

the ark of the covenant

> overlaid round about with gold. wherein was the golden pot that had manna.

- and Agron's rod that hudded and the
- tables of the covenant:
- 5. And over it the cherubims
- shadowing the mercyseat:

of which we cannot now speak particularly.

B i 6. Now when these things were thus ordained.

- the priests went always
- into the first tabernacle.
- accomplishing the service of God.
- 7. But into the second went ■ the high priest alone once
- every year, not without ■ blood, which he
- offered for himself, and
- for the errors of
- the people:

- 8. The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into
- the holiest of all was not vet made
- manifest, while as
 - the first tabernacle was vet
- standina:
 - 9. Which was a figure for the time then present, in which were offered both gifts and sacrifices, that could not make him that did the service perfect, as pertaining to the conscience:
 - 10. Which stood only in meats and drinks, and divers washings, and carnal ordinances, imposed on them until the time of reformation
- 11. But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come,
 - by a greater and more
- perfect tabernacle.

not made with hands.

- that is to say, not of this building:
- 12. Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in
 - once into
- the holy place, having obtained eternal
- redemption for us.
- 13. For if the blood of bulls
 - and of qoats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean.
- sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh.
- 14. How much more shall the blood of Christ.
- who through the eternal Spirit
- offered himself without
- spot to God, purge your **conscience** from dead works
- to serve the living
 - God?
- 15 And for this cause
- he is the mediator of the new testament, that by means of death, for the redemption of the

transgressions that were under the first testament, they which are called might receive the promise of

- eternal inheritance
- 16. For where a testament is.

there must also of necessity
be the death of the testator.
17. For a testament is of force after men are dead: otherwise it is of no strength at all

otherwise it is of no strength at all while the testator liveth.

- 18. Whereupon neither the first testament was
 dedicated without blood.
 19. For when Moses had
 - spoken every precept to all the people according to the law,
- he took the blood of calves and of goats, with water, and scarlet wool, and hyssop, and sprinkled both the book, and all the people.
- 20. Saying, This is the blood
 of the testament which God
 hath enjoined unto you.
- 21. Moreover he sprinkled with blood
- both the tabernacle, and
 all the vessels
 of the ministry.
- of the ministry.22. And almost
- all things are by the law purged with blood;

and without shedding of blood is no remission.

- 23. It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.
- 24. For Christ is not
- entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in
- the presence of God for us:25. Nor vet that he should offer
 - 25. **Nor** yet that he should offer himself often,
- as the high priest entereth
 into the holy place every
 year with blood of others;
 - 26. For then must he often have suffered since the foundation of the world:
- | but now
- Once in the end of the world hath
- he appeared to put awaysin by the sacrifice

- | of himself.
- 27. And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but
- after this the judgment: ■ 28 So Christ was once
- offered to bear the sins of
- many; and unto them
- that look for him shall he
- appear the second time without sin unto salvation.

CHAPTER 10

- For the law having a shadow of good things to come, and not the very image of the things,
- can never with those sacrifices which they
- offered year by year continually
- make the comers
 thereunto perfect.
- 2. For then would they not have ceased to be offered?
- because that
- the worshippers once
- purged should have had
- no more conscience of sins.
- 3. But in those sacrifices there is a remembrance again made
- of sins every year.
- 4 For *it is* not possible that
- the blood of bulls and of a goats should take
- away sins.
- 5. Wherefore when he
- **cometh** into the world,
- he saith, Sacrifice and
- offering thou wouldest not,
 but a body hast thou
- prepared me:
 - 6. In burnt offerings and sacrifices for sin thou hast had no pleasure.
 - 7. Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.
 - 8. Above when he said, Sacrifice and offering and burnt offerings and offering for sin thou wouldest not, neither hadst pleasure *therein*; which are offered by the law:
 - 9. Then said he, Lo, I come

to do thy will. O God.

He taketh away the first, that he may establish the second.

- 10. By the which will we are
- sanctified through the offering of the body of
- Jesus Christ once for all.
 - 11. And every priest standeth daily ministering and offering oftentimes the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins:
- 12. But this man, after he had offered one sacrifice
- for sins for ever.
- sat down on the right hand of God:
 - 13. From henceforth expecting
- till his enemies be made his footstool.
- 14. For by one offering he
- hath perfected for ever
- them that are sanctified.
 - 15. Whereof the
- Holy Ghost also
- is a witness to us:
- for after that
- he had said before.
 - 16. This is the covenant that I
- will make with them after those days, saith the Lord.
- I will put my laws into their
- hearts, and in their minds will I write them:
- 17. And their sins and iniquities will I remember no more.
- 18. Now where remission of these
- is, there is no more offering for sin.
- 19. Having therefore, brethren,
- boldness to enter into the holiest by the blood
- of Jesus.
- 20. By a new and living way, which he hath consecrated for us,
- through the veil, that is to sav.
- his flesh:
- 21 And having an high
- **priest** over the house of God:
- 22. Let us draw near with a
- true heart in full assurance
- of faith, having our hearts sprinkled

from an evil conscience, and our bodies washed with pure water.

- 23. Let us hold fast the
- profession of our faith without wavering:

(for he is faithful that promised:)

- 24. And let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works:
- 25. Not forsaking the
- assembling of
- ourselves together, as the manner of some is:

but exhorting one another, and so much the more, as ve see the day approaching.

- 26. For if we sin
- wilfully after that
- we have received
- the knowledge of the truth,
- there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins.
- 27. But a certain
 - fearful looking for of
- iudament and fierv
 - indignation, which shall devour the adversaries.
 - 28. He that despised Moses'
- law died without mercy
 - under two or

- three witnesses:
 - 29. Of how much sorer
- punishment, suppose ye.
- shall he be thought
- worthy, who hath trodden
 - under foot the Son of God.
- and hath counted the
- blood of the covenant, wherewith he was sanctified,
- an unholy thing, and hath
- done despite unto the Spirit of grace?
- 30. For we know him that hath
- said, Vengeance
- *belonaeth* unto me. I will recompense,
 - saith the Lord. And again, The Lord shall judge his people.
- 31. It is a fearful thing to fall
- into the hands of the
- living God.
 - 32. But call to remembrance the former days, in which, after ve were

- illuminated, ye endured a great fight of afflictions;
- 33. Partly, whilst ye were made a gazingstock both by reproaches and afflictions; and partly, whilst ye became companions of them that were so used.
- 34. For ye had compassion of me in my bonds, and took joyfully the spoiling of your goods, knowing in yourselves that ye have in heaven a better and an enduring substance.
- 35. Cast not away therefore your confidence, which hath great recompence of reward.
- 36. **For** ye have need of patience, that,
- after ye have done the will
 of God, ye might receive
 the promise.
 - 37. For yet a little while, and he that shall come will come, and will not tarry.
- 38. Now the just shall live by faith: but if any man draw
 back, my soul shall have
- no pleasure in him.
- 39. But we are not of them who draw back unto perdition;
- but of them that believe to the saving of the soul.

CHAPTER 11

- | 1. Now faith is the
- substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things
 - not seen.

For by it the elders obtained a good report.

- 3. Through faith we understand that
- the worlds were framed
 by the word of God, so that
- things which are

- seen were not made of things which do appear.
 - 4. By faith Abel offered unto God

being dead yet speaketh.

a more excellent sacrifice than Cain, by which he obtained witness that he was righteous, God testifying of his gifts; and by it he

- | 5. By faith Enoch was
 - translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him:
- for before his translation he had this testimony, that
- he pleased God.
- 6 But without faith it is impossible to please

him: for he that cometh to

- God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him.
- 7. By faith Noah,

being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear,

- prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world,
- and became heir of the righteousness which is
- by faith.
- 8. By faith Abraham, when he was called to go out into a place which he should after receive for an inheritance, obeyed; and he went out not know income.
- went out, not knowing whither he went.
- 9. By faith he sojourned in the land of promise,
 - as in a strange country, dwelling in tabernacles
- with Isaac and Jacob, the heirs with him

of the same promise:

- 10. For he looked for a city which hath foundations,
 - whose builder and maker is God.
- 11. Through faith also
- Sara herself
- received strength to
- **conceive** seed, and was delivered of a child
- when she was past age,
 - because she judged him faithful who had promised.
- 12. Therefore sprang there even
- of one, and him
- as good as dead,
 - so many as the stars of the sky in multitude,

- | and as
 - the sand which is
- by the sea shore innumerable.
- 13. These all died in faith, not having received the
- promises, but having seen them afar off, and were
 - them afar off, and were persuaded of them, and embraced them.
- and confessed that theywere strangers
 - and pilgrims on the earth.
- 14. For they that say such things declare plainly that
- they seek a country.
 - 15. And truly, if they had been mindful of that country from whence they came out, they might have had opportunity to have returned.
 - But now they desire a better country.
- a better country
- heavenly: wherefore God is not ashamed to be

called

- their God: for he hath prepared for them a city.
- 17. By faith Abraham,
 - when he was tried,
- offered up Isaac; and he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son.
- 18.Of whom it was said,
- That in Isaac shall thy
- seed be called:
- 19. Accounting that God ■ was able to raise him

up, even

- from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure.
- 20. By faith Isaac blessed
- Jacob and Esau

concerning things to come.

- 21. By faith Jacob, when he was a-dying,
- blessed both
- the sons of Joseph;

and worshipped, *leaning* upon the top of his staff.

- 22. **By faith Joseph**,
- when he died,
- made mention of the departing of the children of

- **Israel**; and gave commandment concerning his bones.
- 23. By faith Moses,
- when he was born,
 was hid three months of his
- parents, because they saw he was
 a proper child; and they were not
 afraid of the king's commandment.
- 24. By faith Moses, when he was come to years.
- refused to be called the son of Pharaph's daughter:
- 25. Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the
- people of God, than to
- enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;
- 26. Esteeming the reproach
 of Christ greater riches
 than the treasures in Egypt:
- for he had respect unto the recompence of the reward.
- 27. By faith he forsook

 Eqypt, not fearing the wrath o
 - **Egypt**, not fearing the wrath of the king: for he endured, as
 - seeing him who is invisible.

- is invisible.
 28. Through faith he kept the
- passover, and the sprinkling of blood, lest he that destroyed the firstborn should touch them.
- 29. By faith they passed
 through the Red sea as by dry land: which the Egyptians assaying to do were drowned.
- 30. By faith the walls of

 Jericho fell down, after they were compassed about seven days.
- 31. By faith the harlot
 Rahab perished not
 - with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.
- 32. And what shall I more
- say? for the
- time would fail me to tell of
- Gedeon, and of
- Barak, and of
- Samson, and of Jephthae; of
- David also, and
- Samuel, and of
- the prophets:
 - 33. Who through faith

- subdued kingdoms, wrought righteousness, obtained promises. stopped the mouths of lions.
 - 34. Quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the
- **sword.** out of weakness were made strong, waxed valiant in fight,
 - turned to flight the
- armies of the aliens.
 - 35. Women received their
- dead raised to life again:
- and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance:
- that they might obtain a
- better resurrection:
 - 36 And others had
- trial of cruel
- mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds
- and imprisonment:
- 37. They were stoned.
- they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were
- **slain** with the sword; they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being
- destitute, afflicted, tormented:
- 38. (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.
- 39. And these all, having obtained a good report through faith, received not ■ the promise:
- 40. God having provided some better thing for us, that they without us should
- not be made perfect.

CHAPTER 12

- 1. Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with ■ so great a cloud of ■ | witnesses, let us lay aside ■ every weight, and the
- **Sin** which doth so easily beset us.
- and let us
- run with patience
- I the race that is set

- before us.
- 2. Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our
- faith: who for the lov that was set before him
 - endured the cross. despising the shame.
- and is set down at the right hand of the throne of
- God.
- 3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself,
- lest ye be wearied and
- faint in your minds.
- 4 Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.
- 5. And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto vou as unto children.
- My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord.
- nor faint when thou art rebuked of him: 6. For whom the Lord loveth
- he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. 7. If ye endure chastening,
- God dealeth with you as with sons: for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?
- But if ve be without chastisement,

whereof all are partakers.

- then are ye bastards, and not sons.
- Furthermore we have had fathers of our flesh
- which corrected us,
- and we gave them reverence:
- shall we not much rather be in subjection unto the
- Father of spirits, and live?
- 10. For they verily for a few days chastened us after their own pleasure; but he for our profit,
- that we might be partakers of his holiness.

exercised thereby.

Now no chastening for the present seemeth to be joyous. but grievous: nevertheless afterward it yieldeth the peaceable fruit of righteousness unto them which are

12. Wherefore lift up the hands which hand down.

and the feeble knees:

13. And make straight paths for your feet, lest that which is lame be turned out of the way; but let it rather be healed.

14. Follow peace with all men, and holiness, without which no man shall see the Lord:

15. Looking diligently lest any man fail of the grace of

God: lest any root of bitterness springing up trouble you, and thereby many be defiled:

16 Lest there be any fornicator, or profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat

sold his birthright.

17. For ye know how that

afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing.

he was rejected:

for he found no place of

repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.

18. For ye are not come unto the mount that might

be touched, and that burned with fire, nor unto blackness, and darkness, and tempest.

19. And the sound of a trumpet, and the voice of words: which voice they that heard entreated that the word should not be spoken

to them any more:

20. (For they could not endure that which was

commanded. And if so much as a beast touch the mountain, it shall be stoned, or thrust through with a dart:

21. And so terrible was the sight, that Moses said, I exceedingly fear and quake:)

22. But ye are come unto mount Sion, and unto

the city of the living

God, the heavenly

Jerusalem, and to

an innumerable company of

■| angels,

23. To the general assembly and church of the firstborn.

which are written in heaven, and to God the

Judge of all,

and to the spirits of just

men made perfect.

24 And to Jesus the mediator of the new

covenant, and to the blood of sprinkling.

that speaketh better things than that of Abel.

25. See that ye refuse not him that speaketh.

For if they escaped not who refused him that spake on earth, much more shall not we escape, if we turn away from him that speaketh from heaven:

26. Whose voice then shook the earth: but now he hath

I shake not the earth only.

but also heaven.

27. And this word. Yet once more. signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.

promised, saying, Yet once more

28. Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace.

whereby we may

serve God acceptably

with reverence and godly

fear:

29. For our God is a consuming fire.

CHAPTER 13

1. Let brotherly love continue.

2. Be not forgetful to

entertain strangers: for

thereby some have entertained

anaels unawares. 3. Remember them that are

in bonds, as bound with them;

and them which suffer

adversity.

as being yourselves

4. Marriage is honourable

and the bed undefiled:

but whoremongers and

■ adulterers God will judge.

Let your conversation be without covetousness;

and be content with such things as ye have:

■ [for he hath

said, I will never leave thee, nor

forsake thee.

6. So that we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what

man shall do unto me.

7. Remember them which have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the word of God: whose faith follow, considering the end of their conversation.

8. Jesus Christ the same

yesterday, and

to-day, and for ever.

9. Be not carried about with

9. Be not carried about with divers and

strange doctrines. For it is a
 good thing that the heart be
 established with grace; not
 with meats, which have not

■ **profited** them that have been occupied therein.

10. We have an altar, whereof they have no right to eat which serve the tabernacle.

11. For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought

into the sanctuary

by the high priestfor sin, are burned

without the camp.

12. Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the

people with his own blood,

suffered without the gate.

13. Let us go forth therefore

unto him without the camp.

| bearing his reproach.

14. For here have we no continuing city, but we seek

■ one to come.
 ■ 15. By him

therefore let us

offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually.

that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to his name.

16. But to do good and to communicate forget not:

for with such sacrifices
God is well pleased.

17. Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you.

18. Pray for us: for we trust we have a good conscience, in all things willing to live honestly.

19. But I beseech *you* the rather to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.

20. Now the God of peace,

that brought again

from the dead our Lord
Jesus, that great shepherd
of the sheep,

through the blood of the everlasting covenant,

■ 21. Make you perfect in every good work to do his will,

working in you that which is

well-pleasing in his sight,
 through Jesus Christ; to whom
 be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

22. And I beseech you, brethren, suffer the word of exhortation:

for I have written a letter unto you in few words.

23. Know ye that *our* brother Timothy is set at liberty; with whom, if he come shortly, I will see you.

24. Salute all them that have the rule over you, and all the saints. They of Italy salute you.

They of Italy salute you. 25. Grace be with you all.

Amen.

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- III. James Exhorts the Believer to Have Patience in Affliction and to Save an Erring Brother. Chapter 5

CHAPTER 1

- 1. **James,** a servant of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ,
- to the twelve tribes which are
 scattered abroad, greeting.
- 2. My brethren, count it all iov when ye fall into
- divers temptations;
- 3. Knowing this,
- that the trying of your faithworketh patience.
 - 4. But let patience

have her perfect

work, that ye may be

perfect and entire, wanting nothing.

5. If any of you lack

wisdom, let him

■ **ask of God,** that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not;

- and it shall be given him.
- 6. But let him ask in faith, nothing wavering.

For he that wavereth

is like a wave of the sea driven with the wind and tossed.

- 7. For let not that man think that he shall receive any thing of the Lord.
- 8. A double-minded man
- *is* unstable in all his ways.
- 9. Let the brother of low
 degree rejoice in that
- he is exalted:
- 10. **But the rich,** in that he
- is made low: because as the flower of the grass
- he shall pass away.
 - 11. For the sun is no sooner risen with a burning heat, but it withereth the grass, and the flower thereof falleth, and the grace of the fashion of it perisheth: so also shall the rich man fade away in his ways.
- 12. Blessed is the man that endureth temptation: for when he is tried,
- he shall receive the crown

of life, which the Lord hath promised to them that love him.

13. **Let no man say** when he is tempted,

I am tempted of God: for God cannot be tempted with evil, neither

tempteth he any man:

- 14. But every man is
- tempted, when he is drawn away of his own lust, and enticed.
 - 15. Then when
 - lust hath conceived, it
- bringeth forth sin: and sin, when it is finished,
- bringeth forth death.
 - Do not err, my beloved brethren.
- 17. Every good gift and every perfect gift is

from above, and cometh down

from the Father of lights, with whom is no

variableness, neither shadow of turning.

■ 18. Of his own will begat he

■ US with the word of truth.

■ that we should be a kind of

firstfruits of his creatures.

19. Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man

be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath:

speak, slow to wrath:
 20. For the wrath of man
 worketh not the

righteousness of God.

21. Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and

■ receive with meekness

the engrafted word, which is able to save your souls.

22 But be ye doers of theword, and not hearers

Only, deceiving your own selves.

■ 23. For if any be

■ a hearer of the word, and not a doer, he

is like unto

■ a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

For he beholdeth himself,

and goeth his way,

■ and straightway

forgetteth what manner of man he was.

■ 25. But whoso looketh into

the perfect law of liberty, and continueth therein, he

being not a forgetful hearer, but a doer of the work, this man

- shall be blessed in his deed.
 26. If any man among you
 seem to be religious, and
- but deceiveth his own heart,
- this man's religion is vain.
 27. Pure religion and undefiled
 - 27. Pure religion and undefiled before God and the Father
- is this, To visit the
- fatherless and widows in their affliction.
- and to keep himself
- unspotted from the world.

CHAPTER 2

- | 1. My brethren, have not the
- faith of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of glory,
- with respect of persons.
- 2. For if there come unto your assembly
- a man with a gold ring, in goodly apparel.
- **and** there come in
- also a poor man
- 3. And ye have respect tohim that weareth the gay
- **clothing,** and say unto him. Sit thou here in a good place; and say to the poor. Stand thou there, or sit here under my footstool:
- 4. Are ye not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts?
 - 5. Hearken, my beloved brethren,
- Hath not God chosen the poor of this world
- rich in faith, and heirs of the
- **kingdom** which he hath promised to them that love him?
- 6. But ye have despised the poor. Do not rich men
- oppress you, and draw you before the judgment seats?
 - 7. Do not they
- blaspheme that worthy
- name by the which ye are called?8. If ye fulfil the royal law according to
- 8. If ye fulfil the royal law according to the scripture,
- Thou shalt love thy
- neighbour as thyself,
- ve do well:

- 9. But if ye have respect to persons, ye commit sin, and are convinced of the law as transcressors.
- 10. For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all.
 - 11. For he that said, Do not commit adultery, said also, Do not kill.
- Now if thou commit no adultery, yet if thou
 - kill, thou art become
 - a transgressor of the law.
 - 12. So speak ye, and so do, as they that shall be judged by the law of liberty.
 - For he shall have judgment without mercy, that hath shewed no mercy; and mercy rejoiceth against judgment.
- 14. What doth it profit, my brethren.
 - though a man say he hath faith, and have
- faith, and have not works? can faith save him?
- 15. If a brother or sister be naked, and destitute of
- daily food,
- 16. **And** one of **you say** unto them,
 - **Depart** in peace,
- be *ye* warmed and filled; notwithstanding ye give
- them not those things which
- are needful to the body;
 what doth it profit?
- 17. Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead,
 - being alone.
 - 18. Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works:
- shew me thy faith without
 thy works, and I will shew
 thee my faith by my works.
- 19. Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well:
- the devils also believe,
 - and tremble.
 - 20. But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
 - 21. Was not Abraham
 - our father

- justified by works,
- when he had
- offered Isaac

his son upon the altar?

- 22. Seest thou how faith wrought
- with his works.

and by works

was faith made perfect?

23. And the scripture was fulfilled which saith.

- Abraham believed God. and it was imputed unto him
- for righteousness: and he was called the Friend
- of God.
 - 24. Ye see then how that
- by works a man is justified. and not by faith only.

25. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

- 26. For as the body without ■ the spirit is dead, so faith
- without works is dead also.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. My brethren, be not many
 - masters, knowing that we shall receive the greater condemnation. 2. For in many things we offend all.
 - If any man offend not in
- word, the same is a perfect man, and
- able also to bridle the
- whole body.
- 3. Behold, we put bits in the

horses' mouths.

that they may obey us;

- and we turn about their whole body.
- 4. Behold also the ships, which though they be so great, and are driven of fierce winds, yet
- are they
- turned about with a very
- small helm, whithersoever the governor listeth.
- 5. Even so the tongue is a little member, and boasteth great things. Behold, how great a
 - matter a little fire kindleth! 6. And the tongue is a fire, a world of

- iniquity: so is the tongue among our members, that
- it defileth the whole body. and setteth on fire the course of nature:
- and it is set on fire of hell.
 - For every kind of beasts, and of birds, and of serpents, and of things in the sea, is tamed, and
- hath been tamed
- of mankind:
- 8. But the tongue can no
- man tame; it is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison.
- 9. Therewith bless we God. even the Father:

and therewith

- CUISE we
- men, which are made after the similitude of God.
- 10. Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and
- cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be.
- 11. Doth a fountain send
- **forth** at the same place sweet water and bitter?
 - 12. Can the fig tree, my brethren, bear olive berries? either a vine, figs? so can no fountain
- **both** vield
- salt water and fresh.
- 13. Who is a wise man and endued with knowledge
- among you? let him shew
- out of a good conversation
- his works

with meekness of wisdom.

- 14. **But if ye have bitter** envying and strife in your
- hearts, glory not, and lie not against the truth.
 - 15. This wisdom descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish.
 - 16. For where envying and strife is,
- there is confusion and
- every evil work.
- 17. But the wisdom that is from above is first pure.
 - then peaceable, gentle, and easy to be entreated.
- full of mercy and good fruits,

without partiality, an without

hypocrisy.

18. And the fruit of righteousness is sown in peace of them that make peace.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. From whence come wars and fightings among you?
- come they not hence,
 - even of your lusts that war in your members?
 - 2. **Ye lust**, and have not: ye kill, and desire to have,
- and cannot obtain: ye fight and war,
- yet ye have not, because ve ask not.
- 3. Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask
- amiss, that ye may
- consume it upon your lusts.
 - 4. Ye adulterers and adulteresses,
- know ye not that the
- friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend
- of the world is the enemy
- of God.
 - 5. Do ye think that
- the scripture saith in vain,
- The spirit that dwelleth in us
- lusteth to envy?6. But he giveth more grace.

Wherefore he saith, God resisteth the proud, but giveth grace

- proud, but giveth grace unto the humble.
- 7. Submit yourselves
- therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee
- from you.
- 8. Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you. Cleanse your hands, ye sinners; and purify your hearts. ye double-minded.
 - Be afflicted, and mourn, and weep: let your laughter be turned to mourning, and your joy to heaviness.
- 10. Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord.
- and he shall lift you up.

- 11. Speak not evil one of another brethren.
- He that speaketh evil of hisbrother, and judgeth
 - his brother,
 - speaketh evil of the law, and judgeth the law: but if thou judge the law, thou art not a doer of the law, but a judge.
- 12. There is one lawgiver, who is able to save and to destroy:

 who art thou that judgest
 - who art thou that judgest another?
 - 13. Go to now,
- ye that say, To-day or tomorrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and
- buy and sell, and get gain:
- 14. Whereas ye know not what shall be on the
 - morrow. For what is
- | your life? It
- is even a vapour, that
- **appeareth** for a little time,
- and then vanisheth away.
- 15. For that ye *ought* to say,
 If the Lord will, we shall
 - If the Lord will, we shall live and
- do this, or that.
 - But now ye rejoice in your boastings: all such rejoicing is evil.
- 17. Therefore to him that
- knoweth to do good, and doeth *it* not, to him it is sin.

CHAPTER 5

1. Go to now,

ye rich men.

weep and howl for your miseries that shall come upon you.

2. Your riches are

- **corrupted**, and your garments are motheaten.
- Your gold and silver is cankered;
- and the rust of them shall
 be a witness against you,
 and shall eat your flesh as it were fire.
- Ye have heaped treasure together for the last days.
 - 4. Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth; and the cries of them which

have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of sabaoth.

- 5. Ye have lived in pleasure on the earth.
- and been wanton;
 - ye have nourished your hearts, as in a day of slaughter.
- 6. Ye have condemned and killed the just; and he doth not resist you.
- 7. **Be patient** therefore, brethren,
- unto the coming of
- the Lord. Behold,
- the husbandman waiteth
- for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain
 - 8. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts; for
- the coming of the Lord draweth nigh.
- 9. Grudge not one against
- another, brethren, lest ye be condemned: behold, the judge standeth before the door.
- 10. **Take**, my brethren,
- the prophets, who have spoken in the name of the Lord,
- for an example of suffering affliction, and of patience.
- 11. Behold, we count them happy which endure. Ye have

heard of the patience of Job, and have seen the end of the Lord; that the Lord is very pitiful, and of tender mercy.

- 12. But above all things, my brethren,
- swear not, neither by heaven, neither by the earth, neither by any other oath:
- | but let your yea be yea;

and your nay, nay;

- lest ye fall into condemnation.
 13. Is any among you afflicted? let him pray. Is any merry?
 let him sing psalms.
- 14. Is any sick among you?
- let him call for
- the elders of the church; and let them
 - pray over him.
- anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:
- 15. And the prayer of faith
- shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
- 16. Confess your faults one to another,
- and pray one for another, that ye may be healed.
- The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man
- availeth much.
- 17. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he
- prayed earnestly that it might not rain:
- and it rained not on the earth
 by the space of three years
- and six months.

 18. And he prayed again,
- and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.
- 19. **Brethren, if any** of you do
- err from the truth,
- and one convert him;
 20. Let him know, that he
- which converteth the sinner
 - from the error of his way,
- shall save a soul from
- **death**, and shall hide a multitude of sins.

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF PETER

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- II. Peter Outlines the
 Nature of
 Christian Social
 Relationships,
 Sufferings, Rewards,
 and explains the
 Ministry of the Elders
 and the Flock.
 Chapters 2:11—5

- 1. Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus,
- Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia.
 - Asia, and Bithynia,
- foreknowledge of God the Father,
 through sanctification of
- through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience
- and sprinkling of
 - the blood of Jesus Christ:
 Grace unto you, and peace,

be multiplied.

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- 3. Blessed be the God
 and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,
 which according to his
- abundant mercy hath beaotten us

again unto a lively hope

- by the resurrection of
- Jesus Christ from the dead, 4. To an inheritance
 - incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away,
- reserved in heaven for you,
- 5. Who are kept by the
 power of God through faith

unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

- 6. Wherein ye greatly rejoice,
- though now for a season, if need be,
- ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:
- 7. That the trial of your faith,being much more precious

than of

- gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire,
- might be found unto praise and honour and glory
- at the appearing of Jesus Christ:
- 8. Whom having not seen,
- ye love; in whom,
- though now ■ ye see him not, yet
- believing, ye rejoice with
- joy unspeakable
- and full of glory:

- 9. Receiving the end of your
 faith, even the salvation of
 your souls.
- 10. **Of which** salvation
- the prophets have inquired and searched
- diligently, who prophesied

 of the grace that should
- of the grace that should come unto you:
- 11. Searching what,

or what manner of time

- the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it
- testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ,
- and the glory that should follow.
- 12. Unto whom it was
 - revealed, that not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you
- by them that havepreached the gospel

unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.

- 13. Wherefore gird up the loins of your mind,
- **be sober, and hope** to the end
- for the grace that is
- to be brought unto you at
- the revelation of Jesus Christ;
- 14. As obedient children, not fashioning yourselves according to the former lusts in your ignorance:
 - 15. But as he which hath called you is holy, so
- be ye holy in all mannerof conversation;
- 16. Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy.
 - 17. And if ye call on the Father, who without respect of persons judgeth according to every man's work, pass the time of your sojourning here in fear:
- 18. Forasmuch as ye know
 that ye were not redeemed
 with corruptible things,

as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition

from your fathers:

19. But with the precious ■ blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

20. Who verily was

foreordained before the foundation of the world.

but was manifest in these last times for you.

21. Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up

from the dead.

and gave him glory;

that your faith and hope might be in God.

22. Seeing ye have purified **vour souls** in obeying the truth through the Spirit

> unto unfeigned love of the brethren, see that ve

love one another

with a pure heart

fervently:

23. Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible.

by the word of God. which liveth and abideth for ever.

24. For all flesh is as grass, and all the glory of man

as the flower of grass. The grass

withereth, and the flower thereof

falleth away:

25. But the word of the Lord endureth for ever.

> And this is the word which by the gospel is preached unto you.

CHAPTER 2

1. Wherefore laying aside all malice, and all quile, and hypocrisies. and envies, all evil speakings,

2 As newborn babes. desire the sincere milk of

the word, that ye may grow thereby:

3. If so be ye have tasted that the Lord is gracious.

4. To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but chosen of God, and precious,

5. Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy

priesthood, to

offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. Wherefore also it is

contained in the scripture. Behold

I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious:

and he that believeth on

him shall not be confounded.

> 7. Unto you therefore which believe he is precious:

but unto them which be disobedient.

the stone which the builders disallowed.

the same

is made the head of

the corner.

And a stone of stumbling. and a rock of offence, even to them which stumble at

the word, being disobedient: whereunto also they were appointed.

9. But ye *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people:

> that ve should shew forth the praises of him who hath

called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

> 10. Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

11. **Dearly beloved**, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims,

abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul:

12. **Having your conver-**sation honest among the Gentiles: that, whereas they

speak against you as evildoers. they may by *your* good

works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day

of visitation.

13. Submit yourselves to every ordinance of man for the Lord's sake: whether it

be to the king, as supreme:

- 14. Or unto governors,
- **GS** unto
- them that are
- sent by him for the punishment of evildoers,

and for the praise of them that do well.

- 15 For so is the will of God.
- that with well-doing
- ye may put to silence
- the ignorance of
- foolish men:

16. As free, and not using your liberty for a cloak of maliciousness, but as the servants of God.

17 Honour all men.

> Love the brotherhood, Fear God. Honour the king.

18. Servants, be subject to your masters

with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.

- 19. For this is thankworthy, if a man for conscience
- toward God endure grief. suffering wrongfully.
 - 20. For what glory is it, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ve shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer for it, ye take it patiently. this is acceptable with God.
 - 21. For even hereunto were ve called: because
- Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example. that ye should follow his steps:
 - 22. Who did no sin, neither was quile found in his mouth:
 - 23. Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not:
- but committed himself to him that judgeth
- righteously:
- 24. Who his own self
- bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we. being dead to sins,
- should live unto
- righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed.
- 25. For ye were as sheep
 - going astray; but are now returned unto the

|■| Shepherd and Bishop of **■** your souls.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. Likewise, ye wives, be in
- subjection to your own husbands: that.
 - if any obey not the word.
- they also may without the word be won by

the conversation of the wives:

- 2. While they behold
- vour chaste conversation coupled with fear.
- Whose adorning let it not
- outward adorning of plaiting the hair, and of wearing of gold, or of putting on of apparel:
- 4. But let it be the hidden man of the heart, in that which is not corruptible, even the ornament of a meek and quiet spirit, which is in the sight of God of great price.
- 5. For after this manner in
- the old time the holy
 - women also, who trusted in God
- adorned themselves. being in subjection unto
- their own husbands:
- 6. Even as Sara obeved Abraham, calling him lord:

whose daughters ve are, as long as ve do well, and are not afraid with any amazement.

- 7. Likewise, ye husbands, dwell with them according to knowledae, aivina
- honour unto
- the wife, as unto
- the weaker vessel, and as
- being heirs together of the grace of life; that your
- prayers be not hindered.
- 8. Finally, be ye all of one mind,
- having compassion one of another, love as brethren, be
- pitiful, be courteous:
- 9. Not rendering evil for evil, or railing for railing: but contrariwise blessing;
- knowing that ye are
- thereunto called,

that ve should inherit a blessing. 10. For he that will love life.

and see good days.

let him refrain his tonque

from evil, and his lips that they speak no quile:

11. Let him eschew evil, and do good; let him seek peace, and ensue it.

12. For the eves of the Lord are over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto

their prayers: but the face of the Lord is against them that do evil.

13. And who is he that will harm you, if ye be followers of

that which is good?

14. But and if ve suffer for righteousness' sake, happy are ye: and be not afraid

of their terror, neither be troubled: 15. But sanctify the Lord

God in your hearts: and be ready always to give an answer to every man that

asketh you a reason of the hope that is in you

with meekness and fear:

16. Having a good conscience:

that, whereas they speak evil of you, as of evildoers.

they may be ashamed that falsely accuse your good conversation in Christ.

17. For it is better. if the will of God be so.

that ye suffer for welldoing, than for evil-doing.

18. For Christ also hath once suffered for sins. the just for the unjust.

that he might bring us to God, being put to death

in the flesh. but quickened by the Spirit: 19. By which also

he went and preached unto the spirits in prison;

20. Which sometime were

disobedient, when once the longsuffering of

God waited in the days of

Noah, while the ark was apreparing, wherein

few, that is,

eight souls were saved by water.

21. The like figure whereunto even baptism doth also now

SQVE US (not the putting away of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God.)

by the resurrection of Jésus Christ:

22. Who is gone into heaven, and is on the right

hand of God; angels and authorities and powers

being made subject

unto him.

CHAPTER 4

1. Forasmuch then as Christ

hath suffered for us in the flesh.

arm yourselves likewise

with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh

hath ceased from sin:

2. That he no longer

should live the rest of his

time in the flesh to the lusts of men but

to the will of God. 3. For the time past

> of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when

we walked in

lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings,

and abominable

idolatries:

4. Wherein they think it

strange that ye run not with them to the same excess

of riot, speaking evil of you:

Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

6. For for

this cause was the gospel preached also to them that

are dead.

that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but

live according to God in

the spirit.

- 7. But the end of all things
- is at hand:

be ve therefore sober, and

- watch unto prayer.
- 8. And above all things have fervent charity

among yourselves:

- for charity shall cover the multitude of sins.
 - Use hospitality one to another without grudging.
- 10. **As every man hath** received the gift, even so
- minister the same one to another, as good stewards of
- the manifold grace of God.
 - 11. If any man speak, let him speak as the oracles of God: if any man minister, let him do it as of the ability which God giveth:
- that God in all things may
- be alorified through Jesus Christ, to whom be praise and dominion for ever and ever, Amen.
- 12. Beloved, think it not strange concerning the
 - fiery trial which is to
- try you, as though some strange thing happened unto you:
- 13. But rejoice, inasmuch as ve are partakers of Christ's
- sufferings; that, when his glory shall be revealed, ye may be glad also with exceeding joy.
- 14. If ye be reproached for the name of Christ, happy are ye; for the spirit

of glory and

of God resteth upon you:

on their part he is evil spoken of, but on your part he is glorified.

- 15. **But let none** of you
- suffer as

a murderer, or as a thief, or as

- **an evildoer,** or as a busybody in other men's matters.
- 16. Yet if any man suffer as a Christian.

let him not be ashamed; but

let him glorify God on this behalf.

- 17. For the time is come that
 - judgment must begin at the

- house of God:
- and if it first begin at us.
- what shall the end be of
- them that obey not the
 - gospel of God?
 - 18. And if the righteous scarcely be saved, where shall the ungodly and the sinner appear?
 - 19. Wherefore let them that
- suffer according to the will
- of God commit

the keeping of

- their souls to him in well-doing,
 - as unto a faithful Creator.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. The elders which are among you l exhort, who am also an elder, and a witness of the sufferings of Christ, and also a partaker of the glory that shall be revealed:
- 2. Feed the flock of God which is among you, taking the oversight thereof.
- not by constraint, but
- willingly; not for filthy lucre, but of a ready mind:
 - 3. Neither as being lords over God's heritage, but
- being ensamples to the flock.
- 4. And when the chief
- Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of
- **glory** that fadeth not away.
- 5. Likewise, ye younger,
- submit vourselves
- unto the elder.

Yea, all of you be subject one to another, and be clothed with humility:

- for God resisteth the
- proud, and giveth grace to the humble.
- 6. Humble yourselves
- therefore under the mighty hand of God.
- that he may exalt you in due time:
- 7. Casting all your care upon him; for he careth
- for you.
- 8. **Be sober.** be vigilant:
- **because** your adversary

- the devil, as a roaring lion,
 walketh about, seeking
 whom he may devour:
 - Whom resist stedfast in the faith, knowing that the same afflictions are accomplished in your brethren that are in the world.
- 10. But the God of all grace, who hath called us unto his eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after that ye have suffered a while,
- make you perfect, stablish, strengthen, settle vou.

- 11. **To him be glory** and dominion for ever and ever. Amen. 12. By Silvanus, a faithful brother unto you, as I suppose, I have written briefly, exhorting, and testifying that this is the true grace of God wherein ye stand.
- 13. The *church that is* at Babylon, elected together with *you*, saluteth you; and *so doth* Marcus my son.

 14. Greet ye one another with a kiss
- 14. Greet ye one another with a kiss of charity. Peace be with you all that are in Christ Jesus.

Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF PETER

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author - Peter, an Apostle. **Date Written** - unknown.

Number of:

Verses - 61
Chapters - 3
Total Words - 1,559
Scan Words -758
Scan Words represent 48 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to urge believers to defeat false teachings by practicing Christian virtues, and to prepare for the coming of the Lord.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Peter's Salutation, Advice for Growing in Grace, and Being Grounded in the Truth. Chapter 1
- II. Peter's Warning About False Teachers.
 Chapter 2
- III. Peter's Admonition as to How Believers Must Live in Hope of the Second Coming of Christ. Chapter 3

CHAPTER 1

■ I 1. Simon Peter, a servant and an apostle of Jesus Christ,

to them that have obtained like precious

faith with us through the righteousness of God and our Saviour Jesus Christ:

2. Grace and peace be multiplied unto you through the knowledge of God.

and of Jesus our Lord.

3. According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that pertain unto life and

godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath

called us to alory and virtue:

> 4. Whereby are given unto us exceeding great and precious promises:

that by these

ye might be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.

5. And beside this, giving all diligence.

add to your faith virtue;

and to virtue knowledge:

6. And to knowledge

temperance: and

to temperance

patience; and to patience godliness:

■ i 7. And to godliness

brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness

charity.

8. For if these things be in

you, and abound.

they make you that

ye shall neither be barren nor unfruitful in the know-

ledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.

9. But he that lacketh these things is blind, and

cannot see afar off, and

hath forgotten that he was

purged from his old sins. 10. Wherefore

the rather, brethren.

give diligence to make your calling and election

SUFE: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

11. For so an entrance shall be ministered unto you abundantly into the everlasting kingdom of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

12. Wherefore I will not be negligent to put you always in remembrance of these things, though ye know them, and be established in the present truth.

13. Yea, I think it meet. as long as I am in this tabernacle. to stir you up by putting

you in remembrance: 14. Knowing that shortly

> I must put off this my tabernacie, even as our Lord Jesus Christ hath shewed me.

15. Moreover I will endeavour that ve may be able after my decease to have these things

always in remembrance.

16. For we have not followed cunningly devised

tables, when we made known unto you

the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

but were evewitnesses of his maiesty.

17 For he received from God the Father

honour and glory, when there came such a voice to

him from the excellent glory,

This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

18. And this voice which came from heaven

we heard, when we were with him

in the holv mount.

19. We have also a more sure word of prophecy:

whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

20. Knowing this first,

that no prophecy

of the scripture

is of anv

privaté interpretation.

21. For the prophecy came ■ **not** in old time

by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they*

were moved by the ■ Holy Ghost.

CHAPTER 2

- But there were false
- prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false
- teachers among you.
- who privily shall
- bring in damnable
- heresies, even denying the
- Lord that bought them.
- and bring upon themselves swift destruction.
- 2. And many shall follow their pernicious ways:

by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

- And through
- covetousness shall they with feigned words
- make merchandise of you: whose judgment

now of a long time

- lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.
- 4. For if God spared not the angels that sinned, but cast *them* down to hell.

and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be reserved

unto iudament: 5. And spared not the old

world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher

of righteousness.

- bringing in the flood upon
- **the** world of the ungodly:
- 6. And turning the cities of
- Sodom and Gomorrha into ashes condemned

them with an overthrow.

making *them* an ensample

unto those that after should live ungodly;

- 7. And delivered just Lot. vexed with the filthy conversation
- 8. (For that righteous man dwelling among them, in seeing and hearing. vexed his righteous soul from day to day with their unlawful deeds:)
- 9. The Lord knoweth how to deliver the godly out of temptations, and to reserve the unjust unto the
- day of judament to be punished:
- 10. **But chiefly them that**
- Walk after the flesh

of the wicked:

- in the lust of
- uncleanness, and despise government. Presumptuous are they, self-willed, they are not afraid to speak evil of dignities.
- Whereas angels. which are greater in power and might, bring not railing
- accusation against them before the Lord.
- 12. But these.

as natural brute beasts, made to be taken and destroyed.

- speak evil of the things that they understand not; and shall utterly perish in their own corruption;
 - 13. And shall receive the reward of unrighteousness.

as they that count it pleasure to riot in the day time. Spots they are and blemishes, sporting themselves with their own deceivings while they feast with you:

- 14. Havina eves full of
- adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls: an heart they have exercised with covetous practices; cursed children:
- 15. Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following
 - the way of Balaam the son of Bosor,
 - who loved the wages of
- unriahteousness:

- 16. But was rebuked for his iniquity:
- the dumb ass speaking

- with man's voice forbad the madness of the prophet.
- 17. These are wells without water, clouds that are carried
- with a tempest;
- to whom the mist of ■ darkness is reserved
 - for ever.
 - 18. For when they speak great swelling words of vanity, they allure through the lusts of the flesh, through much wantonness, those that were clean escaped from them who live in error.
- 19. While they promise them liberty, they themselves
- are the servants of
- Corruption: for of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.
- 20. For if after they have
- **escaped** the pollutions of
- the world through the
- knowledge of

the Lord and Saviour Jesus

- Christ, they are again
- entangled therein,
- the latter end is worse with them
- than the beginning.
- 21. For it had been better for them not to have known the
- way of righteousness,
- than, after they have known it,
- to turn from the holy
- commandment delivered unto them.
- 22. But it is happened unto them
- according to the true
- proverb, The dog is turned to his own vomit

again; and the sow that was washed to her wallowing in the mire.

CHAPTER 3

- 1. This second epistle, beloved.
- I now write

unto you; in *both* which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

2. That ye may be mindful of

- the words which were
- spoken before
- by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us
- the apostles
 - of the Lord and Saviour:
- 3. Knowing this first,that there shall come
 - in the last days
- SCOffers, walking after their own lusts,
- 4. And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep,
- all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation.
 - 5. **FOr** this they willingly are ignorant of, that
- by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:
- 6. Whereby the world that then was,
- being overflowed with water, perished:
- 7 But the heavens and the
- earth, which are now,by the same word of
 - by the same word are kept in store,
- reserved unto fire against the day of judgment
 - and perdition of ungodly men.
 - 8. **But**, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing, that one day *is* with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.
 - 9. The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but
- is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.
- 10. **But** the day of

- the Lord will come as a thief in the night; in the
- which the heavens shall

 Dass away with a great noise,
- and the elements shall
 - melf with fervent heat,
 - the earth also and the

works that are therein shall be burned up. 11. Seeina then that all these things shall be dissolved. what manner of persons ought ve to be in all holy conversation and godliness. 12. Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God. wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? 13. Nevertheless we, according to his promise, look for new heavens and a new earth, wherein dwelleth righteousness.

14. Wherefore, beloved, seeing

that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be

15 And account that the

found of him in peace.

and blameless.

without spot,

seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked,

17. Ye therefore, beloved,

longsuffering of our Lord is

salvation: even

as our beloved brother

wisdom given unto him

which are some

own destruction.

Paul also according to the

hath written unto you:

thinas hard to be

16. As also in all his epistles.

speaking in them of these things; in

understood, which they that are

unlearned and unstable wrest, as they

do also the other scriptures, unto their

fall from your
own stedfastness.

18. But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. To him be glory both now and for ever.

■ Åmen.

THE FIRST EPISTLE OF JOHN

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – John, one of the twelve disciples.

Date Written – probably between 90 and 96 A.D.

Number of:

Verses- 105 Chapters- 5 Total Words- 2,523 Scan Words- 1,234 Scan Words represent 48 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to show that through personal experience with
Jesus Christ, The Word, one has passed from death to life

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- John's Testimony Concerning Christ, His Tests of Fellowship With God and His Declaration of the Importance of Love. Chapters 1— 2:17
- II. John's Warning
 Concerning Antichrists
 and His Explanation of
 Righteousness and God's
 Children.
 Chapter 2:18— 3
- III. John's Teaching
 Concerning the Trying
 of Spirits, the Nature of
 God and the Victory of
 Faith.
 Chapters 4—5

- 1. That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have
- seen with our eyes, which we have looked upon.
- and our hands have handled, of the Word of life;
- 2. (For the life was manifested, and we

have seen it, and

■ bear witness.

and shew unto you that eternal life, which was with the Father, and was manifested unto us;)

- 3. That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you,
- that ye also may have fellowship with us: and

truly our fellowship is

- with the Father, and with his
 Son Jesus Christ.
- 4. And these things write we unto you.
- that your joy may be full.
 - 5. This then is the message which we have heard of him, and
- declare unto you,that God is light, and in him
- is no darkness at all.

 6. If we say that we have
- fellowship with him, and walk in darkness, we lie,

and do not the truth:

- 7. But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light,
- we have fellowship one with another.
- and the blood of Jesus

■ Christ his Son

cleanseth us from all sin.

- 8. If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- 9. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just
- to forgive us our sins.
- and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.
- 10. If we say that we have not sinned.

we make him a liar, and

■ his word is not in us.

CHAPTER 2

■ | 1. My little children,

these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And

if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father,

- Jesus Christ the righteous:
 - And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also
- for the sins of the
- whole world.
- 3. And hereby we do know that we know him, if we keep his
- commandments.
 He that saith, I know him, and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
- 5. But whoso keepeth his
- word, in him verily
- is the love of God
- perfected: hereby know we that we are in him.
- 6. He that saith he abideth in
- him ought himself also so
- to walk, even as
 - he walked.
 - 7. Brethren, I write no new commandment unto you, but an old commandment which ye had from the beginning. The old commandment is the word which ye have heard from the beginning.
- 8. Again, a new commandment I write

unto you, which thing is true in him and in you:

- **because** the darkness is past, and
- the true light now shineth.
- 9. He that saith he is in the light, and hateth his
- brother, is in darkness

even until now.

- He that loveth his brother abideth in the light, and there is none occasion of stumbling in him.
- 11. But he that hateth his brother is in darkness, and walketh in darkness, and knoweth not whither he goeth, because that darkness hath blinded his eyes.
- 12. I write unto you, little

children, because your sins are forgiven

you for his name's sake.

13. I write unto you, fathers, because ve have known him that is from the beginning. I write unto you, young men, because ve have overcome the wicked one. I write unto you, little children, because ve have known the Father.

14. I have written unto you. fathers, because ye have known him that is from the beginning. I have written unto you, young men, because ye are strong, and the

word of God abideth in you, and ye have overcome the wicked one.

15. Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world. the love of the Father is not in him.

16. For all that is in the world, the lust of the flesh. and the lust

of the eyes, and the pride of life, is not of the Father. but is of the world.

17. And the world passeth **QWQY**, and the lust thereof: but he that doeth the will of

God abideth for ever. 18. Little children.

it is the last time; and as

ve have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists:

whereby we know that it is the last time.

19. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went out.

that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

20. But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and

ye know all things.

21. I have not written unto you because ve

know not the truth, but

becaue ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth

22. Who is a liar but

he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is

antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

23. Whosoever denieth the

Son, the same

hath not the Father:

> he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.

24. Let that therefore abide in you,

which ye have heard from the beginning. If that which ye have heard from the beginning shall remain in you, ye also shall

continue in the Son, and in the Father. 25. And this is the promise that

he hath promised us, even eternal life.

> 26. These things have I written unto you concerning them that seduce vou.

27. But the anointing which ye have received of him

abideth in you.

and ye need not that any man teach you: but as the same anointing

teacheth you of

all things, and is truth, and is no lie, and even as it hath taught you, ve shall abide in him. 28. And now, little children.

abide in him; that, when he shall appear.

we may have confidence, and

not be ashamed before him at his coming.

29. If ye know that he is righteous, ve know that

every one that doeth righteousness is born of him.

CHAPTER 3

1. Behold, what manner of love the Father hath

bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons

of God: therefore the world knoweth us not.

because it knew him not.

2. Beloved, now are we the sons

of God.

and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but

we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be

like him: for we shall see him as he is

3. And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth

himself, even as he is pure.

4. Whosoever committeth sin. transgresseth also the law; for sin is the transgression of the law.

5. And ye know that he was manifested to take away

OUT SINS: and in him is no sin. 6 Whosoever abideth in

him sinneth not:

whosoever sinneth hath not seen him. neither known him.

7. Little children, let no man deceive you:

he that doeth righteous-ness is righteous, even as he is righteous.

8. He that committeth sin is of the devil: for the devil sinneth from the beginning.

For this purpose

the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of

the devil.

9. Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin: for his seed remaineth in

him: and he cannot sin. because he is born of God.

10. In this the children of God are manifest.

and the children of the devil:

whosoever doeth not riahteousness is not of

God, neither he that ■ loveth not

his brother.

11. For this is the message

that ye heard from the beginning, that

we should love one another.

> 12. Not as Cain. who was of that wicked one, and

slew his brother.

And wherefore slew he him?

Because his own works were evil.

and his brother's righteous.

13. Marvel not, my brethren, if the world hate you.

14. We know that we have passed from death unto life, because we love the brethren. He that loveth not his brother abideth in death

15 Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer; and ve know that

no murderer hath eternal

life abiding in him.

16. Hereby perceive we the love *of God*, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren.

17. But whose hath this world's good, and seeth his brother have need, and shutteth up his bowels of compassion from him. how dwelleth the love of God

in him? 18. My little children, let us

not love in word. neither in tonque:

but in deed and in truth.

19. And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him

20. For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things.

21. Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.

22. And whatsoever we ask. we receive of him, because

We keep his commandments, and do those things that

are pleasing in his sight.

23. And this is his

commandment. That we should believe on the

name of his Son Jesus Christ. and love one another, as he

- gave us commandment. 24. And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him.
- And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the
- Spirit which he hath given us.

- 1. Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are one out into the world.
- 2. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God:
- Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God:
- 3. And every spirit that
- confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this
- is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come:
- and even now already is it in the world.
- 4. **Ye** are of God, little children, and
- have overcome them:
 because greater is he that
- is in you, than he that is in the world.
 - They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and the world heareth them.
- world heareth them.

 6. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us;
- he that is not of God heareth not us.

 Hereby know we the spirit
- of truth, and the spirit of error.
- 7. **Beloved**, let us love one another: for
- love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God.
 - 8. He that loveth not knoweth not God: for God is love.
- 9 In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that
- God sent his only begotten
 Son into the world.

that we might live through him.

10. Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son

to be the propitiation for our sins.

- 11. Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another.
- 12. No man hath seen God at any time.

If we love one another, Goddwelleth in us,

- and his love is perfected in us.
- 13. Hereby know we that we dwell in him, and he in us, because he hath given us of his Spirit.
- 14. And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world.
- 15. Whosoever shall
- confess that Jesus is the Son of God.
- God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

- 16. And we have known and believed the love that God hath to us. God is love; and
- he that dwelleth in love
 dwelleth in God, and God
 in him.
- 17. Herein is our love made perfect, that we may have boldness in the day of judgment: because as he is, so are we in this world.
- 18. There is no fear in love;
 but perfect love casteth out
 fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love
- 19. We love him, because he first loved us.
- 20. If a man say, I love God, and hateth his brother, he is a liar: for he that
- loveth not his brother
 whom he hath seen, how
 can he love God whom he
 hath not seen?
 - 21. And this commandment have we from him, That he who loveth God love his brother also.

- 1. Whosoever believeth that ■ Jesus is the Christ is born
- of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.
- 2. By this we know that we love the children of God.
- when we love God, and keep his commandments.
 - 3. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments:
- and his commandmentsare not grievous.
- 4. For whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world: and this is the victory that

overcometh the world, even our faith.

5. Who is he that overcometh the world, but

- he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?
- 6. This is he that came by water and blood, even
 - Jesus Christ; not by water only, but by water and blood.
- And it is
- the Spirit that
 - beareth witness,

because the Spirit is truth.

- 7. For there are three that bear record in heaven, the
- Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost:

and these three are one.

- 8. And there are three that
- bear witness in earth, theSpirit, and the water, andthe blood:

and these three agree in one.

9. If we receive the witness
 of men, the witness of God
 is greater:

for this is the witness of God which he hath testified of his Son.

- 10. He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.
- 1 11. And this is the record.

- that God hath given to
 us eternal life, and this life is
 in his Son.
- 12. He that hath the Son hath
 - life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life.
- 13. These things have I
- written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God;
- that ye may know that ye have eternal life.

and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

- 14 And this is the
- confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will,
- he heareth us:
- 15. **And** if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that
- we have the petitions that we desired of him.
- 16. If any man see his brother sin a sin which is
- not unto death, he shall ask, and he shall give him
- life for them that sin not unto death.
 - There is a sin unto death:
 I do not say that he shall pray for it.
- 17. All unrighteousness is
- sin: and there is a
 - 18. We know that whosoever is born of God sinneth not; but he that is begotten of God keepeth himself, and that wicked one toucheth him not.
- 19. **And we know**
 - that we are of God, and
- the whole world lieth
- in wickedness.
- 20. And we know that the Son of God is come.
- and hath given us an understanding,
- that we may know him that is true.
- and we are in him that is true,even in his Son Jesus Christ.
- This is the true God, and eternal life.
- 21. Little children, keep yourselves
- I from idols Amen.

THE SECOND EPISTLE OF JOHN

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – John, one of the twelve disciples.

Date Written – probably between 90 and 99 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 13 Chapters - 1 Total Words - 303 Scan Words -151 Scan Words represent 49 % of Total Words

Theme – written to show the importance of Christian truth and the necessity to practice Christian love.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTI E

- I. John's Greeting.Verses 1—3
- II. John's Teachings on Love.

Verses 4—6

III. John's Warning Concerning Deceivers.

Verses 7—11

IV. John's Final Greeting. Verses 12, 13

■ 1 1. The elder unto the elect lady and her children.

whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth:

- 2. For the truth's sake, which dwelleth in us, and shall be with us for ever.
- 3. Grace be with you.
- mercy, and peace, from
- God the Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father, in truth and love.
- 4. I rejoiced areatly that I
- found of
- thy children
- walking in truth,

as we have received a commandment from the Father.

- 5. And now I beseech thee,
- lady, not as though I wrote a new commandment unto thee, but that which we had from the beginning.
- that we love one another.
- 6. And this is love, that we walk after his command-
- ments. This is the commandment. That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.
- 7. For many deceivers are entered into the world, who
- confess not
- | that Jesus

- Christ is come in the flesh
- This is a deceiver and an antichrist.
- 8. Look to yourselves.
- that we lose not those things which we have
- wrought, but that we receive a full reward.
- 9. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of
- Christ, hath not God. He
- that abideth in the doctrine of Christ.
- he hath both the Father and the Son.
- 10. If there come
- **GNV** unto you, and
- bring not this doctrine. receive him not into *your* house.
- neither bid him God speed:
- 11. For he that biddeth him
- God speed is partaker of his
- evil deeds.
 - 12. Having many things to write unto you. I would not write with paper and ink: but
- I trust to come unto you. and speak face to face.
- that our joy may be full. 13. The children of thy elect sister areet thee.
- Amen.

THE THIRD EPISTLE OF JOHN

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – John, one of the twelve disciples.

Date Written – probably between 90 and 99 A.D.

Number of: Verses - 14 Chapters - 1 Total Words - 299 Scan Words -154 Scan Words represent 51 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to show that error must be challenged to maintain Christian purity and fellowship.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- John Offers Greeting, Tells Believers to Serve Others, and Rebukes Diotrephes. Verses 1—10
- II. John Implores
 Believers to Have a
 Good Testimony.
 Verses 11—14

■ | 1. The elder unto

the well-beloved

Gaius, whom I love in the truth.

2. Beloved, I wish

above all things

that thou mayest

■ prosper and be in

■ health, even

as thy soul prospereth.

3. For I rejoiced greatly, when the brethren came and testified

of the truth that is in thee, even as thou walkest in the truth.

4. I have no greater joy than
to hear that my children
walk in truth.

5. **Beloved, thou doest**

faithfully whatsoever thou doest to the brethren, and to

■ strangers;

6. Which have borne witness of thy charity

before the church: whom if thou bring forward on their journey after a godly sort, thou shalt do well:

7. Because that for his name's sake they went forth, taking nothing of the Gentiles.

8. We therefore ought to receive such, that we might

be fellow-helpers

■ to the truth.

9. I wrote unto the church:

but Diotrephes, who loveth to have the

■ preeminence among them,

receiveth us not.

10. Wherefore, if I come.

■ I will remember his deeds

which he doeth, prating against us with malicious words: and not content therewith.

neither doth he himself

receive the brethren, and forbiddeth them that would.

■ and casteth *them* out of the church.

11. Beloved, follow not that which is

■ **evil**, but that which is good.

■ He that doeth good is of God: but he that doeth evil

hath not seen God.

12. Demetrius hath good report of all men, and of the truth itself: yea, and we

also bear record; and ye know that our record is true.

■ 13. I had many things to ■ Write, but I will not with ink

write, but I will not with ink and pen write unto thee:

■ 14. But I trust I shall shortly

see thee, and we shall speak face to face.

Peace be to thee.

Our friends salute thee.

■ Greet the friends by name.

THE GENERAL EPISTLE OF JUDE

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – Jude, probably the brother of James.

Date Written – probably between 70 and 100 A.D.

Number of: Verses - 25 Chapters - 1 Total Words - 613 Scan Words -288 Scan Words represent 46 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to warn Christians against false teachers and their doctrines.

OUTLINE OF THE EPISTLE

- Jude Offers a Salutation and a Warning Against False Teachers. Verses 1—15
- II. Jude Presents
 Exhortations to
 Christians and a
 Benediction.
 Verses 16—25

CHAPTER 1

- 1. **Jude**, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James,
- to them that are sanctified by God the Father.
- and preserved in Jesus
 - Christ, and called:
 - 2. Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.
 - 3. **Beloved,** when
- I gave all diligence to
- write unto you
- of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you,
- and exhort you that ye should earnestly
- contend for the faith which was
- once delivered unto the saints.
 - 4. For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation,
- ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into
- lasciviousness, and
- denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - 5. I will therefore put you in remembrance, though
- ye once knew this,
- how that the Lord, having
- saved the people out of the land
- of Egypt, afterward
- destroyed them that
- believed not.
- 6. And the angels which
 kept not their first estate.
 - but left their own habitation,
- he hath reserved in everlasting
- chains under darkness
- unto the judgment
 - of the great day.
- 7. Even as Sodom and
- **Gomorrha**, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh,
- are set forth for an
 example, suffering the
 vengeance of eternal fire.
 - 8. Likewise also these filthy dreamers

- defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.
- 9. Yet Michael
- the archangel, when
- contending with the devil
- about the body of Moses,durst not bring against him
- a railing accusation,
- | but said, The Lord
- rebuke thee.
- 10. But these speak evil of those things which they
- know not: but what
 - they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.
- 11. Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of
- CQin, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.
- 12. These are spots in your feasts of charity,
 when they feast with you, feeding
 - when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear:
- clouds they are without water.
 - carried about of winds:
- trees whose fruit withereth.
- without fruit, twice dead.
- plucked up by the roots;
- 13. Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars.
 - to whom is reserved
- darkness for ever.
- 14. And Enoch
- also, the seventh from Adam,

 prophesied of these, saying,
- Behold, the Lord cometh
- With ten thousands of
- his saints,
- 15. To execute judgment
- upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which
- ungodly sinners
 - have spoken against him.
 - 16. **These are**

- murmurers, complainers, walking after their own
- lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.
- 17. But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- 18. How that they told you
- I there should be mockers in
- the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.
- 19. **These be they** who separate themselves, sensual,
- having not the Spirit.
- 20. **But ye,** beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith,
- praying in the Holy Ghost,
 - 21. Keep yourselves in the

- love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus
 - Christ unto eternal life.
- 22. And of some have compassion, making a difference:
- 23. And others save with fear, pulling them out of the
- fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.
- 24. Now unto him that is able to keep you from
- falling, and to present
- you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,
- 25. **To** the only wise
- God our Saviour, *be* glory and majesty.
- dominion and power,
- both now and ever. Amen.

THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST TO JOHN

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Author – John, one of the twelve Apostles.

Date Written – probably between 90 and 99 A.D.

Number of:

Verses - 404
Chapters - 22
Total Words - 12,000
Scan Words -5,973
Scan Words represent 49 % of Total Words.

Theme – written to reveal that in spite of adverse world events,

Jesus Christ will triumph over all the enemies of God.

OUTLINE OF THE REVELATION

- The Revelation of the Son of Man, the Letters to the Seven Churches and the Open Door in Heaven. Chapters 1—5
- II. The Revelation of the Seven Seals, the Seven Trumpets and the War in Heaven. Chapters 6—14
- III. The Revelation of the Seven Vials and the Fall of Babylon. Chapters 15—19
- IV. The revelation of the Millennium and the Holy City. Chapters 20—22

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The Conclusion Of History

The first book of the Bible,

Genesis, is a revelation of the beginnings of history,

both the beginning of the created order, and human beings. The final book of the Bible,

Revelation, is a revelation of the conclusion of history

- the end of time, the created order as we know it today, and of man in his fallen state.

■ Revelation, in essence,

■ shows what will occur

■ **when** God in

■ Christ concludes human

history and ushers in a

New Order. For centuries now,
Bible scholars have studied the Book
of Revelation. There has been a wide
variety of interpretations.

■ Some Bible students give a literal interpretation to

■ the Revelation.

■ At the other extreme,

there are

scholars who

attempt to show that the

■ Revelation is totally

symbolic. There is, of course, a great deal of symbolism in the book,

■ **but for the** Bible

student who is

■ | committed to the Scripture

■ as the authoritative, written

■ word of God, the

symbolism points to

■ a deeper reality.

■ That reality.

regardless of one's interpretations of specific verses or chapters in the Revelation, is that God in

Christ will ultimately
 triumph over all the
 enemies of the truth --

sin, satan, political systems,

■ and all that stands
■ in opposition to

in opposition to the purposes and

will of God. Evil will be defeated, the saints of God will be sustained.

■ persecution and tribulation

shall end, and a new

creation, a new heaven

without sorrows.

tears, suffering, heartache,

■ and death – shall be

established by a direct act of God.

■ The Eden which was

■ lost by the first Adam.

shall be restored by the

second Adam, Jesus Christ.

What seems plain
in the Revelation

is that man, through his

own ingenuity or

■ effort, cannot solve

his problems,

he cannot save himself individually, socially, or politically.

■ But God in sheer grace,

shall finish all that was

accomplished in

■ the death and resurrection

■ of His Son, and in

■ that new

■ | beginning, He,

the Alpha and Omega,

ı İ shall be All in All.

- 1. The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave
- to shew unto his servants
- things which must shortly come to pass; and he
- sent and signified
- if by his angel
- unto his servant
- l John:
 - Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.
- 3 Blessed is he that
- readeth, and they that hear the words of
- this prophecy, and keep
- things which are
- written therein:

for the time is at hand.

- 4. John to the seven
- | churches which are
- in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace.
- from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;
 - 5. And from Jesus
- Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the
- **prince** of the kings of the earth. Unto him
- that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his
- own blood
- 6. And hath made us kings

and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

- 7. Behold, he cometh with clouds;
- and every eye shall see
- him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.
- 8. I am Alpha and Omega,
- the beginning and theending, saith the Lord,

which is, and which was, and which is

to come, the Almighty.

- 9. I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ.
 - was in the isle that is
- called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.
- 10. I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me
- a great voice, as of a trumpet,
 11. Saving. I am Alpha and Omen;
 - 11. **Saying**, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and,
- What thou seest, write in a book.
- and send it unto the seven churches which are
- in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

 12 And I turned to see the voice that
 - 12. And I turned to see the voice that spake with me.
- And being turned,

- I saw seven golden
- candlesticks;
- 13. And in the midst of the seven candlesticks
- one like unto the Son of man,

clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

- 14. His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;
- 15. And his feet Ilke unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.
- 16. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.
- 17. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he
- laid his right hand upon
- me, saying unto me,
 - Fear not; I am the first

and the last:

- 18. I am he that liveth, and
 was dead; and, behold.
 I am alive for evermore,
 - and have the keys of hell
 - 19. Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things
- which are, and the things which shall be hereafter:
 - 20. The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks.
- The seven stars are the
- angels of the seven
- churches: and the seven
- candlesticks which thou sawest
- are the seven churches.

■ 1. Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write;

These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

- 2. I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience,
- and how thou canst not
- bear them which are evil:
- and thou
- hast tried them which say
 - they are apostles, and are not, and hast
- found them liars:
- 3. And hast borne, and hast patience, and
- for my name's sake hast laboured, and
- nast laboured, and hast not fainted.
- 4. Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because
- thou hast left thy first love.
- 5. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and
- repent, and do the first works;
- or else I will come unto thee quickly,
- | and will
- remove thy candlestick
- out of his place, except thou repent.

 6. But this thou hast, that
- thou hatest the deeds

- of the Nicolaitanes,
 which I also hate.
 - 7. He that hath an ear, let him hear what
- the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midt of the paradice of Cad
- in the midst of the paradise of God.

 8. And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write;

These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

- 9.1 know thy works, and tribulation.
 - and poverty, (but thou art rich)
- and I know

- the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not.
- but are the synagogueof Satan.
 - Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold,
- the devil shall cast some of you into prison,
 - that ye may be tried;
- and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be
 - thou faithful unto death.
- and I will give thee a crown of life.
 - 11. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches:
- He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the
- not be hurt of thsecond death.
- 12. And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write;

These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

- 13. I know thy works, and where
- thou dwellest, even where
 Satan's seat is: and thou
 holdest fast my name, and
- hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas

was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

- 14. But I have a few
- things against thee,
 because thou hast there

■ | them that hold the doctrine

- of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of Israel,
- to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.
 - 15. So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate.
- 16. Repent; or else I will
- Come unto thee quickly,
- and will
- fight against
- them with the sword
 - of my mouth.
 - 17. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches;
- To him that overcometh
- will I give to eat of
- the hidden manna, and will give him
- a white stone, and in the stone a new name written.
 - which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.
- 18. And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write;

These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

- 19. I know thy works, and charity, and service,
- and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.
- 20. Notwithstanding I have a few
- things against thee,
- because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel.

which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and

- to seduce my servants to
 commit fornication, and to
 eat things sacrificed
- unto idols.
 - 21. And I gave her space to repent of her fornication;
- and she repented not.
- 22. **Behold, I will cast her** into a bed.

- | and them that commit
- adultery with her into great
 tribulation, except they
- repent of their deeds.
- 23. And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that
- I am he which searcheth the reins and
 - | hearts: and | will
- give unto every one of you
 - according to your
- works.
- 24. **Buf** unto you I say, and
- unto the rest in Thyatira,
- as many as have not this
- doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak;
- I will put upon you none other burden.
 - 25. But that which ye have *already* hold fast till I come.
- 26. And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him
- will I give power over the nations:
- 27. And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.
- 28. And I will give him the morning star.
 - 29. He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

CHAPTER 3

■ 1. And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These

things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that

- thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.
 - 2. Be watchful, and
- strengthen the things
- which remain, that are
- ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect
- before God.
 - 3. Remember therefore how thou hast

received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore ■ thou shalt not watch. I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee. 4 Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. 5. He that overcometh. the same shall be clothed in white raiment: and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I. will confess his name before my Father. and before his angels. 6. He that hath an ear. let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. 7. And to the angel of the ■ church in Philadelphia Write: These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth: 8. I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an ■ open door. and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word. and hast not denied my name. 9. Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie: behold. I will make them to come and ■ worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

■ 10. Because thou hast kept

I also will keep thee from

the word of my patience.

the hour of temptation.

thou mayest be rich; and

which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth. 11. Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast. that no man take thy crown. 12. Him that overcometh Will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name. 13. He that hath an ear. let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. 14. And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write: These things saith the Amen. the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God: 15. I know thy works, that art lukewarm.

thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. 16 So then because thou and neither cold nor hot. I will spue thee out of my mouth. Because thou savest, I

am rich, and increased with goods. and have need of nothing:

and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: 18. I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that

white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed. and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear:

and anoint thine eyes with eye-salve, that thou mayest see.

19. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and

repent.

- - 20. Behold. I stand at the door, and knock: if any
- man hear my voice, and open the door,
 - I will come in to him.
- and will
- sup with him, and he with me.
- 21. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in
- my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my
- Eather in his throne 22. He that hath an ear, let
- him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

CHAPTER 4

- 1. After this I looked, and, behold,
- a door was opened in
- heaven: and the
- first voice which
- I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which
- said, Come up hither,
- and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.
- 2. And immediately I was in
- the spirit: and, behold.
- a throne was set
- in heaven, and *one* sat on the throne.
 - 3. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.
- 4. And round about the
- throne were four and twenty seats: and
- upon the seats I saw
- four and twenty elders
- **siffing,** clothed in white raiment: and they had on their heads crowns of gold.
 - 5. And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices:
- and there were seven
- lamps of fire burning ■ before the throne, which
- are the seven Spirits of God.
 - 6. And before the throne there was a

- sea of glass like unto crystal:
- and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne.
- were four beasts full of
- eves before and behind.
- 7. And the first beast was
- like a lion, and
- the second beast
- **.** like a calf, and the third beast
- had a face as a man, and
 - the fourth beast
- was like a flying eagle.
 - 8. And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and thev were full of eves within:
- and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy. LORD God Almighty.
- which was, and
- is, and is to come.
 - 9. And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever.
- 10. The four and twenty
 - elders fall down
- before him that sat on the throne. and worship him that liveth
- for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne.
- saying,
- 11. Thou art worthy, O Lord,
- to receive alory
- and honour and power:
- for thou hast created all things, and
- for thy pleasure
- they are and were created.

CHAPTER 5

- 1. And I saw in the right
- hand of him
 - that sat on the throne
- a book written within and on the backside, sealed
- with seven seals.
- 2. And I saw a strong angel
- proclaiming with a loud voice,
- Who is worthy to open the book.
 - and to loose the seals thereof?
- 3. And no man in heaven.

nor in earth.

neither under the earth.

was able to open the book. neither to look thereon.

- 4. And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon
- 5. And one of the elders

saith unto me.

Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda.

the Boot of David.

hath prevailed to open the book.

and to loose the seven seals thereof.

- 6 And I beheld and lo
- in the midst of the throne and of the four heasts, and in the midst of the elders.

stood a Lamb as it had

been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth

- 7. And he came and took the book out of the right hand of
 - him that sat upon the throne.
- A And when he had taken the book.
- the four beasts and four
- and twenty elders fell down
- before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.
- 9. And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book.

and to open the seals thereof:

- for thou wast slain, and
- hast redeemed us to God

by thy blood

out of every kindred, and tongue. and people, and nation:

- 10. And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign
 - on the earth.
 - 11. And I beheld
- and I heard the
- voice of many
 - angels round about the throne and the

beasts and the

> elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand. and thousands of thousands:

12. Savina with a loud voice. Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive

power, and

riches, and

wisdom, and

strength, and honour, and

glory, and blessing.

13. And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth. and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them. heard I

saying, Blessing, and honour, and

glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and

unto the Lamb for ever and ever. 14. And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever

- And I saw when
- the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard. as it were the noise of thunder.
- one of the four
- beasts saying,
- Come and see. 2. And I saw, and behold
- a white horse; and he that
 - sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he
- went forth conquering, and to conquer.
- 3. And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say. Come and see.
- 4. And there went out
- another horse that was red: and *power* was given
- to him that sat thereon
- to take peace from the
- earth, and that they should
 - kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

- 1 5. And when he had opened the third seal. I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And
- I beheld, and to
- a black horse; and he that sat on him had

a pair of

- balances in his hand.
- 6. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts
- say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three
- measures of barley for a
- penny; and see thou
- hurt not the oil and the
- wine.
- 7. And when he had
- opened the fourth seal. I heard the voice of the fourth beast say. Come and see.
 - 8. And I looked, and
- behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him
- was Death, and Hell
- followed with him.
- And power was given unto
- them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword.
- and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.
- 9. And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw

under the altar

- the souls of them that were
- slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:
- 10. And they cried
- with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord,

holy and true.

dost thou not judge and avenge our blood

on them that dwell on the earth?

- 11. And white robes were
- given unto every one of them; and
- - it was said unto them, that
- they should rest vet for a little season.
- until their fellow-servants also and their brethren, that
- should be killed as they **Were.** should be fulfilled.

- 12 And I beheld
- when he had opened the sixth seal.
 - and, lo.
 - there was a great earthquake: and the sun
- became black

as sackcloth of hair,

- and the moon became
- as blood:
- 13. And the stars of heaven
 - fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.
- 14. And the heaven
 - departed as a scroll when it is rolled together;
- and every mountain and island were moved

out of their places.

15. And the kinas

of the earth, and the

- great men, and the
- rich men, and the chief captains, and the
- mighty men, and
- every bondman, and every
- free man, hid themselves
- in the dens and in the
- rocks of the Ė
- mountains:
- 16. And said to the
- mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the
- face of him that sitteth on the throne. and from the wrath of the Lamb:
- 17. For the great day of his wrath is come; and who
- shall be able to stand?

- 1. And after these things
- I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth.
- holding the four winds of the earth.
 - that the wind should not
- blow on the earth.
- nor on the sea, nor on any tree. 2. And I saw another angel
- ascending from the east,
- having the seal of the living
- God: and he cried

with a loud voice to the four angels.

to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea

- 3. Saving. Hurt not the earth. neither the sea, nor the trees,
- till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.
 - 4. And I heard the number of them. which were sealed:
- and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four
- thousand of all
- the tribes of the children of Israel
 - 5. Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand
 - 6. Of the tribe of Aser were sealed. twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.
 - Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed. twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Leviwere sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve. thousand
 - 8. Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.
- 9. After this I beheld, and, lo. a areat multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues.
- stood before the throne, and before the Lamb,
- clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands:
- 10. And cried
- with a loud voice, saving, Salvation to our God
- which sitteth upon the throne.
- and unto
- the Lamb.
 - 11. And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elder and the four beasts, and fell

- before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God.
 - 12. Savina. Amen: Blessina. and
- alory, and
- wisdom, and
- thanksaivina, and
- honour, and

6

- power, and might, be unto our God for ever
 - and ever. Amen.
 - 13 And one of the elders
- answered, saving unto me.
- What are these which are arrayed in white robes?
 - and whence came they?
- Ė 14. And I said unto him. Sir. thou knowest.
- And he said to me.
- These are they which came out of areat
- tribulation, and have
- washed their robes.
 - and made them white
- in the blood of the Lamb.
 - 15. Therefore are they
- before the throne of
- God, and serve him day and night in his temple:
- and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.
 - 16. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.
- 17 For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne
- shall feed them, and shall
- lead them unto livina
- fountains of waters:
- and God shall wipe away
 - all tears from their eyes.

- 1. And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was
- silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.
 - 2. And I saw
- the seven angels
 - which stood before God: and to them were given seven trumpets.
 - 3. And another angel
 - came and stood at the altar

- having a golden censer;
- and there was
- given unto him
- much incense, that he
- should offer it with the prayers of all saints

upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

- 4. And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints,
- ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.
- 5. And the angel took the
- censer, and
- filled it with fire of the altar, and

cast it into the earth; and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake.

- 6. And the seven angels
- which had the seven
- trumpets prepared themselves

to sound.

7. The first angel sounded, and there followed hail

and fire mingled 5

with blood, and they were cast

upon the earth: and the third part of trees

was burnt up,

and all green

grass was burnt up.

B. And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea:

■ | and the third part of the sea ■ became blood:

■ 9. And the third part of the

creatures which were

■ I in the seq. and had life.

died; and the third part of ■ the ships were destroyed.

■ 10. And the third angel

■ sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven.

burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of

■ the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;

11. And the name of

the star is called

Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood:

and many men died of the

waters, because they were

made bitter.

12. And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and

the third part of

the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of

them was darkened.

and the day shone not for a

third part of it, and the

niaht likewise.

13. And I beheld, and heard an angel flying

through the midst of

heaven, saying with a loud voice. Woe, woe,

woe, to the inhabiters of the

earth by reason of the

other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are

yet to sound!

- 1. And the fifth angel
- sounded, and I saw a star
- fall from heaven
- unto the
- earth: and to him was given
- the key of the
- bottomless pit.
- 2. And he opened the bottomless
- pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.
 - And there came out of the smoke
- locusts upon the earth:
- and unto them was given
 - power, as the scorpions of the earth
- have power.
- 4. And it was commanded them
 - that they should
- not hurt the grass

of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those

men which have not the seal of God in

their foreheads.

5. And to them it was given that they should not kill them.

but that

they should be tormented five months: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion.

when he striketh a man. 6. And in those days shall

men seek death.

and shall not find it: and

shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

7. And the shapes of the locusts were like unto

horses prepared unto

battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and

their faces were

QS the faces of

men.

8. And they had hair as the hair of

women, and their teeth were

QS the teeth of

lions.

■ 9. And they had breastplates, as it were

breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was

QS the sound of

chariots of many horses running to battle.

10. And they had tails like

scorpions, and there were stinus in their tails:

and their

power was

to hurt men five months.

11. And they had a kina over them.

which is the angel of the bottomless

pit, whose name in the

Hebrew tonque

is Abaddon, but in the Greek tonque hath his name Apollvon.

12. One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

13. And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a

> VOICE from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God.

14 Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet.

Loose the four angels which are

bound in the great

river Euphrates.

15. And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a vear, for

to slav the third part of men.

16. And the number of

the army of the horsemen were two

hundred thousand thousand:

and I heard the number of them.

17 And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them.

> having breastplates of fire, and of iacinth, and brimstone:

and the heads of the

horses were

as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths

issued fire and smoke

and brimstone.

18. By these three was the third part of men killed,

by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

19. For their power is in their mouth, and in their

tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

20 And the rest of the men.

which were not killed

> by these plaques vet repented not

of the works of their hands.

that they should not

worship devils, and idols

of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

- 21. Neither repented they of
- their murders, nor of their
- sorceries, nor of their
- fornication, nor of their ■ thefts.

CHAPTER 10

- 1. And I saw another mighty
 - anael come down from heaven. clothed with a cloud; and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:
- 2. And he had in his hand
- a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth.
 - And cried with a loud voice. as when a lion roareth:
- and when he had
- cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.
- 4. And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices
- I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven
- saying unto me.
- Seal up those things which the seven thunders
- uttered, and write them not.
- 5. And the anael which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth
- lifted up his hand to heaven. 6. And sware by him that
- liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea. and the things which are therein,
- that there should be time no longer:
- 7. But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel.
- when he shall begin to sound. the mystery of God should
- be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.
 - 8. And the voice which I

- heard from heaven spake unto me again, and
- said. Go and
- take the little book

which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth

- And I went unto the angel.
 - and said unto him.
- Give me the little book.
- And he said unto me
- Take it. and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.
- 10. And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and
 - ate it up:
- and it was in my mouth
- sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it.
 - my belly was bitter.
- 11. And he said unto me.
- Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

- 1. And there was given me
 - a reed like unto
- a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure
- the temple of God.
- and the altar, and them that
 - worship therein.
- 2. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and
- measure it not: for it is
- given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.
- 3. And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they
- shall prophesy a thousand
- two hundred and
- threescore days.
 - clothed in sackcloth.
 - 4. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.
- 5. And if any man will hurt
- them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them,

407 he must in this manner. be killed 6. These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to ■ blood, and to smite the ■ earth with all ■ plaques, as often as ■ they will. 7. And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomiess pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them. 8. And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified. 9. And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves. 10. And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another: because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth. 11. And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell

upon them which saw them.

unto them.

Come up hither.

enemies beheld them

12. And they heard a great

■ voice from heaven saying

And they ascended up

to heaven in a cloud; and their

13. And the same hour was there a great earthquake. and the tenth part of the city fell. and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven. 14. The second woe is past: and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly. 15. And the seventh angel sounded: and there were areat Voices in heaven saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ: and he shall reign for ever and ever. 16. And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God, 17. Saying, We give thee thanks, O LORD God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy areat power, and hast reianed. 18. And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto the servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great: and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.

19. And the temple of God

was opened in heaven.

and there was seen in his temple

the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake,

and great hail.

CHAPTER 12

1. And there appeared

a great wonder

in heaven: a woman

clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

- 2. And she being with child
- **cried.** travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.
- 3. And there appeared
- another wonder in heaven; and behold **a** great
- red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.
 - 4. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth:
- and the dragon stood **before the woman** which was
 - ready to be delivered, for
- to devour her child as
- soon as it was born. 5. And she brought forth a
- man child, who was to rule
- all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught
- up unto God, and to his throne.
- 6. And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God.
- that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.
- 7. And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon

fought and his angels.

8. And

prevailed not;

neither was their place found any more in heaven.

- 9. And the great dragon
- was cast out, that old serpent, **called** the Devil, and
- Satan, which deceiveth the
 - whole world: he
- was cast out into the earth,
- I and his angels were cast

out with him.

- 10. And I heard a loud voice
- sayina in heaven.
- Now is come salvation. and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ:
- 8 for the accuser of our
 - brethren is cast down. which accused them before our God day and night.
- 11. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb,
- and by the word of
 - their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.
 - 12. Therefore rejoice, ve heavens, and ve that dwell in them.
- Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the
- sea! for the devil is come
- down unto you.
- having great wrath,
- because he knoweth that
- he hath but a short time.
- 13. And when the dragon saw that he
- was cast unto the
- earth, he persecuted the
- woman which brought forth the man child
- 14. And to the woman were given two wings
 - of a great eagle.
- that she might fly
 - into the wilderness.
- into her place.
- where she is nourished for a time.
- and times, and half a time,
- from the face of
 - the serpent.
- 15. And the serpent cast out of his mouth
- water as a flood after the woman.
- that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.
- 16. And the earth
 - helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and
- swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

■ | 17. And the dragon

was wroth with the woman, and

- went to make
- war with the remnant of
- her seed, which keep the
- **commandments** of God.
- and have the testimony of
- Jesus Christ

CHAPTER 13

- I 1. And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and
- saw a beast rise up
- out of the sea, having
- seven heads and ten
- horns, and upon his horns ten crowns
- and upon his heads the ■ name of blasphemy.
 - 2. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion; and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.
 - 3. And I saw one of his
- heads as it were
- wounded to death; and his
- wound was healed; and all the world wondered after
- the beast.
- 4. And they worshipped the
- dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they
- worshipped the beast,
- saying, Who is like unto the
- beast? who is able to make war with him?
- 5. And there was given unto him a mouth speaking
- great things and
- blasphemies; and power was given unto him
- to continue forty and two months.
- 6. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy
- against God, to
 - blaspheme his name.
 - and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven
 - 7. And if was given unto

- him to make war with the saints, and to
 - overcome them: and
- power was given him
- over all kindreds, and tongues, and
- nations.
- 8. And all that dwell upon
- the earth shall worship him, whose names are
- not written

- in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.
- 9. If any man have an ear. let him hear.
- 10. He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.
- 11 And I beheld another **beast** coming up out of the earth: and he had two horns like
- a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. 12. And he exerciseth all the power
- of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell
- therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.
 - 13. And he doeth areat wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men.
- 14. And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth
- by the

- means of those
- miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast;
- saying to them
 - that dwell on the earth.
- that they should make an image to the beast, which
- had the wound by a sword,
- and did live.
- 15. And he had power to give life unto the image of
 - the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak.

- I and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.
 - 16. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond.
- to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their
 - foreheads:
- 17. And that no man might buy or sell, save he that
- had the mark, or the
- name of the beast.
- or the number of his name
- 18. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding
- count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is
- Six hundred threescore ■ and six.

CHAPTER 14

- 1. And I looked, and, lo.
- a Lamb stood on the mount
- Sion, and
- with him
- an hundred forty and
- four thousand, having his Father's name written in
- their foreheads.
- 2. And I heard a voice from .
- heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder:
- and I heard the voice of harpers harping
 - with their harps:
- 3. And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts.
 - and the elders:
- and no man could learn ■ that song but the hundred and
- forty and
- four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.
 - 4. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins.
 - **These** are they which

- follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from amona men.
- being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.
 - 5. And in their mouth was found. no auile:
- for they are without fault before the throne of God.
- 6. And I saw another anael
- fly in the midst of heaven.
- having the everlasting gospel to preach unto .
- them that dwell on the earth, and to
- every nation, and
 - kindred, and
- tongue, and people.
- 7. Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him;
- for the hour of
- his judament is come: and worship him that made heaven.
 - and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.
- 8. And there followed
- another angel, saying,
 - Babylon is fallen. is fallen, that great city,
- because she made all
- nations drink of
- the wine of the wrath of her fornication.
- And the third angel
- followed them.
- saying with a loud voice.
- If any man worship the
- beast and his image.
- and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand,
- The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of
- God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation:
- and he shall be tormented
- with fire and brimstone
- in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of
- the Lamb:
 - 11. And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for
- ever and ever:

and they have no rest day nor night,

- I who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever
- receiveth the mark

of his name

- 12. Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.
- 13 And I heard a voice from heaven
- saying unto me,
 - Write, Blessed are the dead
- which die in the Lord from henceforth:
 - Yea, saith the Spirit, that
- they may rest from their labours;
- and their works do
- follow them
- 14. And I looked, and
- behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like

unto

- the Son of man, having on his head
- a golden crown, and in his hand
- a sharp sickle.
- 15. And another angel came out of the temple,
- Crying with a loud voice
- to him that sat on the cloud.
 - Thrust in
- thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap:
- for the harvest of the earth
- is ripe.
- 16. And he that sat on the cloud
- thrust in
- his sickle on the earth:
- and the earth was
 - reaped.
- 17. And another angel came
 - out of the temple which is in heaven, he also
- having a sharp
- sickle.
- 18. And another angel came out from the altar.
- which had power over fire:
- cried with a loud cry
 - to him that had the sharp sickle, saying,

- Thrust in thy sharp
- sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth:
- for her grapes are fully ripe.
- 19. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and
- aathered the vine of the earth. and cast it into the great
- winepress of the wrath of God.
 - 20. And the winepress was trodden
- without the city. and blood came out of the winepress, even unto the horse
 - bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

- 1. And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous,
- seven angels having the seven last plagues; for in
 - them is filled up the wrath of God.
- 2. And I saw as it were a sea
- of alass minaled with fire: and them that had
- gotten the victory over the
- beast, and over his image. and over his mark, and over the number of his name.
- stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.
- 3. And they sing the song of
- Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb,
- saying, Great and marvellous
- are thy works, Lord God Almighty;
- just and true are thy ways. thou King of saints.
- 4. Who shall not fear
 - thee. O Lord.
- and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all
- nations shall come and
- worship before
- thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.
 - And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven

was opened:

6 And the seven anaels came out of the temple.

> having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

- 7 And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven
- angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God.

who liveth for ever and ever.

8 And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plaques of the seven angels were fulfilled.

CHAPTER 16

- 1. And I heard a great voice out of the temple
- savina to the seven
- angels, Go your ways, and
- pour out the vials of the
- wrath of God upon the earth.
- 2. And the first went, and
- poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a

noisome and

grievous sore upon the

men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

- 3. And the second angel
- poured out
- his vial upon the sea; and it
- became as the
- blood of a dead man;
- and every living
- soul died in the sea.
- 4. And the third angel
- poured out his vial upon the
- rivers and fountains of
- waters; and they
- became blood.
- 5. And I heard the angel of
- waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord.

which art, and wast, and shalt be.

- because thou hast
- judged thus.
- 6. For they have shed the

- blood of saints and prophets. and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.
 - 7. And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.
- And the fourth angel
- poured out his vial upon
- the sun; and power was
- given unto
- him to scorch men
- with fire.
- 9 And men were scorched. with great heat.
- and blasphemed the name of
- God, which hath power over these plaques:
- and they
- repented not to give him glory.
- 10. And the fifth angel
- poured out his vial upon the seat of
 - the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness:
 - and they gnawed their
- tongues for pain,
- 11. And blasphemed the
- God of heaven
- because of their
- pains and their
- sores, and repented not of their deeds.
- 12. And the sixth angel
- poured out his vial upon
- the great river
- Euphrates; and the water thereof was
- dried up, that the way of the
- kings of the east might be prepared.
- 13. And I saw three unclean
- Spirits like froas
- come out of the mouth
- of the dragon,
 - and out of the mouth of
- the beast, and
- out of the mouth of
- the false prophet. 14. For they are the spirits of
- devils, working miracles,
- which go forth unto the
 - kings of the earth
 - and of the whole world,

- to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. 15. Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.
- 16. And he gathered them together
- into a place called in the Hebrew tongue
- Armageddon.
- 17. And the seventh angel
- | poured out
- his vial into the air; and
- there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven,
- from the throne, saying,
 - 18. And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.
- 19 And the great city was
 - divided into three parts,
- and the cities of the nations
- fell: and great Babylon
- came in remembrance
- before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the
- ifierceness of his wrath.
- 20. And every island fled away.
- and the
- mountains were not found.
- 21. And there fell upon men a great
 - upon men a great
- hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent:
- and men blasphemed God
 because of the plague of
- the hail; for the plague thereof
- was exceeding great.

CHAPTER 17

- 1. And there came
- one of the seven
- angels which had the seven vials, and
- talked with me, saying unto me,
- Come hither:
- I I will shew unto the

judgment of the great whore that sitteth

- upon many waters:
- 2. With whom the
- kings of the earth
- fornication, and the
- inhabitants of the earth
- have been made drunk
 with the wine of
 - her fornication.
 - 3. **So he carried me** away
- in the spirit into the wilderness:
- upon a scarlet coloured
- beast, full of names of
- blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
 - 4. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication
- 5. And upon her forehead was a name
- written, MYSTERY, BABYLON
 THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF
- HARLOTS AND
- ABOMINATIONS OF
- THE EARTH.
- 6. And I saw the woman
 drunken with the blood of
 the saints, and with the blood of
 the martyrs of Jesus:
 - and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.
- 7. And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel?
- I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the
- **beast** that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.
- 8. The beast that thou sawest was, and is
- not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and
 - go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was,
 - and is not, and yet is.

- 9. And here is the mind which hath wisdom
- The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.
 - 10 And there are seven
- kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not
- yet come: and when he cometh, he must continue a
- short space.
- 11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and
- is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.
- 12 And the ten horns which thou sawest
- are ten kings, which have received no kinadom as
- yet; but receive power as kings
- one hour with the beast.
- 13. **These** have one mind, and
- shall give their power and strength
- unto the beast.
- 14. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the
- Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of
- lords, and King of kings:

and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

- 15. And he saith unto me.
- The waters which thou sawest.
- where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and
- multitudes, and nations, and tongues.
- 16. And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these
- shall hate the whore, and shall
- make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh. and burn her with fire.
- 17. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will.
- and to agree. and give their kinadom
 - unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.
 - 18. And the woman

which thou sawest

- is that great city, which reigneth over the kinas
 - of the earth.

CHAPTER 18

1. And after these things I saw another angel

come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened. with his alory.

- And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saving.
- **Babylon** the great
- is fallen, is fallen,
- and is become
- the habitation of devils.
- and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every
- unclean and hateful
 - bird.
- 3 For all nations have
- drunk of the wine of
- the wrath of her fornication. and the kings of the earth have
- committed fornication with her. and the merchants of the earth
- **GIC** waxed
- rich through the abundance of her delicacies.
- 4. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying,
- Come out of her, my
- people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ve receive not of her plaques.
- 5 For her sins have
- reached unto
- heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.
- 6. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.
- 7. How much she hath glorified herself,
 - and lived deliciously, so much
- torment and sorrow give
- her: for she saith in her heart. I sit a queen, and am no widow,
- and shall see no sorrow.
- 8. Therefore shall her

- plaques come in one day. death, and mourning, and famine;
- and she shall be utterly
- **burned with fire: for strong** is
- the Lord God who
 - iudaeth her.
 - 9. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her.
- shall bewaither, and
- **=**1 lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, 10. Standing afar off for the fear of her torment.
- saying. Alas, alas that great city **Babylon**, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy
 - iudament come. 11 And the merchants
- of the earth shall weep and mourn
- over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:
 - 12. The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood. and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron. and marble.
 - 13. And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men
- 14. And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are
- departed from thee. and all things
 - which were dainty and

- goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.
- 15. The merchants of these things, which were
- made rich by her, shall
- stand afar off for the fear of
- her torment, weeping and wailing.
- 16. And saying, Alas, alas
 - that great city, that was clothed

- in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet. and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!
- 17. For in one hour so great riches is come to nought.
- And every shipmaster, and
- all the company in
 - ships, and sailors. and as many as trade by sea.
 - stood afar off.
 - 18. And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city!
- 19. And thev
- cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing.
- sayina, Alas, alas
- that areat city, wherein were made rich all that had
- Ships in the sea by reason of her costliness!
- for in one hour is she made desolate.
- 20. Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and
- ve holy apostles and prophets; for God hath
- avenged you on her. 21. And a mighty angel took
- up a stone like a great millstone. and cast it into the sea.
- sayina. Thus
- with violence shall that
- great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all
 - 22. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all
 - 23. And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth: for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.
 - 24. And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of

- I saints, and of
- **all** that were
- |■| slain upon the earth.

CHAPTER 19

- 1. And after these things
- I heard a great voice of much people in heaven,
- saying, Alleluia;
- Salvation, and
- glory, and honour, and power, unto
- the Lord our God:
- 2. For true and righteous
- are his judaments: for he hath judged the great
- whore, which did corrupt
- the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.
 - 3. And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.
- 4. And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and
- worshipped God that sat on the throne.
- saying, Amen; Alleluia.
- 5. And a voice came out of the throne, saving, Praise
- our God, all ye his
- servants, and ye that fear him. both small and great.
- 6. And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the
- voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty
- thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for
- the Lord God
- omnipotent reigneth.
- 7. Let us be glad and
- rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the
- Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.
- 8. And to her was granted
- that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white:
- for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.
- 9. And he saith unto me,
- | Write, Blessed *are* they

which are

called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb.

And he saith unto me. These are the true sayings of God.

- 10. And I fell at his feet
- to worship him. And he said unto me,
- See thou do it not: I am thy fellow-servant.

and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus:

- worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the ., spirit of prophecy.
- 11. And I saw heaven opened, and behold a
- white horse: and he that sat upon him was called
- Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth
- judge and make war.
 - His eves were as a flame of fire. and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.
- 13. And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.
- 14. And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses.
- clothed in fine linen. white and clean.
- 15. And out of his mouth
- goeth a sharp sword, that
- with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule
 - them

with a rod of iron:

and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

- 16. And he hath
 - on his vesture and
- on his thigh a name written,
- KING OF KINGS, AND
- LORD OF LORDS.
- 17. And I saw an angel standing in the sun:
 - and he cried
 - with a loud voice, saying

- | to all the fowls
 - that fly in the midst of heaven,
- Come and gather yourselves together
- unto the supper of the
- great God;
 - 18. That ye may
- eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of
- **Captains,** and the flesh of
- mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them
- that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond.
- both small and great.
- 19. And I saw the beast, and
- the kings of the earth.
- and their armies, gathered together
- to make war against him
- on the horse, and againsthis army.
- 20. And the beast was
- taken, and with him
- the false prophet

that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast,

- and them that worshipped his image. These
- both were cast alive into a lake of fire

burning with brimstone.

- 21. And the remnant were
 slain with the sword of him that sat
- upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth:
- and all the fowls were filled
- with their flesh.

CHAPTER 20

- 1. And I saw an angel come down from heaven,
- having the key of the
- bottomless pit and a great
- **chain** in his hand.
 - 2. And he laid hold on

the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and

■ Satan, and bound him a

- | thousand years,
- 3. And cast him into the
- **bottomless pit**, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him.
- that he should deceive the nations no more, till the
 thousand years should be
- fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a
- little season.
 - And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them:
- and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded
- for the witness of
- Jesus, and for
 - the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands:
- and they lived
 and reigned with Christ a
 thousand years.
- thousand years.

 5. But the rest of the dead
- lived not again

- until the thousand years were finished. This is the
 - first resurrection.
- 6. Blessed and holyis he that hath part in the
- first resurrection: on such the second death hath no
- power, but they shall be
- priests of God and of Christ,
 and shall reign with him a
- thousand years.
- 7. And when the thousand years are expired, Satan
- shall be loosed
 - out of his prison.
- 8 And shall go out todeceive the nations

which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog, and Magog,

- to gather them together to battle: the number of wh
 - to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.
- 9. **And they** went up on the breadth of the earth, and
- compassed the camp

about, and the beloved city:

and fire

came down

from God out of heaven.

and devoured

them.

10. And the devil that deceived them

was cast into the lake

of fire and brimstone.

where the beast and the

false prophet are, and shall be tormented

day and night

for ever and ever.

11. And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat

on it. from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

12. And I saw the dead, small and great,

stand before God; and the books were opened: and

another book was opened.

which is the book of life: and the dead were judged

out of those things which were

written in the books. according to their works.

13. And the sea gave up the

dead which were in it:

and death and hell

delivered up the dead which were in them:

and they were judged every man

according to their works.

14. And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire.

This is the second death.

15. And whosoever was

not found written in the book of life was cast

■ into the lake of fire.

CHAPTER 21

■ 1 1. And I saw a new heaven and a new earth:

for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was

no more sea

2. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem.

comina down

from God out of heaven.

prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

And I heard a great voice out of heaven

savina. Behold.

the tabernacle of God is

with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people,

and God himself shall be with them, and be

their God.

4. And God shall wipe away

all tears from their eves:

and there shall be no more **death.** neither sorrow, nor crying,

neither shall there be any more

pain: for the former things are passed away.

5. And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold,

I make all things new. And he said unto me.

Write: for these words are

true and faithful. And he said unto me.

It is done. I am Alpha and

Omega, the beginning and the end

I will give unto him that is

athirst of the fountain of

the water of life freely. 7. He that overcometh shall

inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

8. But the fearful, and

unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars.

shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone:

which is the second death.

9. And there came unto me

one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plaques, and talked with me.

saying, Come hither,

- I will shew thee the bride. the Lamb's wife
- 10. And he

carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and

shewed me that great city.

the holy Jerusalem,

descending out of heaven from God.

11 Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious,

even like a jasper stone,

clear as crystal:

12. And had a wall areat and high.

and had

twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon.

which are the names of the

twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

> 13. On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.

■ 14. And the wall of the city

had twelve foundations. and in them the names of the twelve apostles

of the Lamb.

15. And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof. and the wall thereof.

16. And the city lieth

foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth; and he

measured the city with the reed.

twelve thousand furlongs.

The length and the

breadth and the

height of it are eaual.

17. And he measured the

wall thereof.

an hundred and

forty and

four cubits.

according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

18. And the building of

■ the wall of it

Was of

> jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

19. And the foundations of the wall of the city

Were garnished with all manner of precious stones.

> The first foundation was jasper: the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, an emerald; 20. The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius: the seventh, chrysolyte; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth: the twelfth, an amethyst,

21. And the twelve actes were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was

pure gold.

as it were transparent glass. 22. And I saw no temple therein:

for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the

temple of it.

23. And the city had no need of the sun, neither of

the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God

did lighten it.

and the Lamb is the liaht thereof.

> 24. And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

25. And the aates of it

shall not be shut at all by day:

for there shall be

no niaht there.

26. And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

27. And there shall in no

wise enter into

it any thing

that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie:

but they which are

written in

the Lamb's

book of life.

CHAPTER 22

- 1. And he shewed me
- a pure river of water of life. clear as crystal.
- proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.
 - 2. In the midst of the street of it.
- and on either side of the
 - river.was there
- the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and vielded her fruit every month:
- and the leaves of the tree
- were for the healing of the nations.
- 3 And there shall be no more curse; but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it:
- and his servants shall serve him:
- 4. And they shall see his face: and his name shall be in their foreheads.
- 5. And there shall be no
- night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun:
- for the Lord God
- giveth them
- light: and they shall reign
 - for ever and ever.
- And he said unto me.
- These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must
- shortly be done. 7. Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the savings of
- the prophecy of this book.
 - 8. And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I
- fell down to worship
 - before the feet of
 - the angel
- which shewed me these things. 9. Then saith he unto me.
- See thou do it not: for I am thy fellow-servant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the savings of this book:

- worship God.
- 10. And he saith unto me.
 - Seal not the savings of
- the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.
- 11. He that is unjust, let him
- be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still; and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still:
- and he that is holy, let him be holy still.
- 12. And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is
- with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.
- 13. I am Alpha and Omega. the beginning and the end, the first
- and the last. 14. Blessed are they that do his commandments, that
- **they** may have right to the tree of life, and
- may enter in through the gates into the city.
 - 15. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.
- 16. I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches.
- I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.
- 17. And the Spirit and the
 - bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come.
- And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.
- 18. For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book.
- If any man shall add unto these things. God shall
- add unto him the plagues that are written
- in this book:

- 19. And if any man shall take away from
- the words of the book of
- this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of

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	things which are written in this book
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	20. He which testifieth these things
_	saith, Surely I come
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	quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesu
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21. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Amen.

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PLAN C

READING THE NEW TESTAMENT IN ONE MONTH (OR TWELVE TIMES IN ONE YEAR) AND THE OLD TESTAMENT ONCE DURING THE YEAR.

New Testament Daily Reading Schedule (The Same as Plan A)

Old Testament (Reading Time — 3 Minutes Each Day)

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